

PUBLIC COMPLAINTS ABOUT LEARNING RESOURCES

Despite the care taken in selecting suitable learning resources, and despite the qualifications and expertise of persons involved in that selection process, it is recognized that occasional objections to materials will be made by the public. It is, therefore, the policy of the Regional School Board to provide channels of communication and a fair procedure for members of the community to follow in expressing and resolving concerns about learning resources, including instructional materials, used in teaching the curriculum.

Complaints about learning resources should be presented in writing using Form No. 6013.1, "Request for Reconsideration of Learning Resources" form, which may be obtained from the school office. The standards and procedure for review shall be consistently applied in recognition of the respective rights and responsibilities of all concerned. Materials shall be considered for their educational suitability and shall not be proscribed or removed because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval. Challenges which are not resolved by the director's designee may be submitted to the director. The decision of the director may be appealed to the Regional School Board or reviewed at the Regional School Board's request. The decision of the Regional School Board will be final.

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Legal Refs.: Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, § 22.1-253.13:7.C.2.

8 VAC 20-720-160.

Cross Refs.: Pol 3005 Instructional Materials
Pol 3014 Family Life Education (*under development*)
Pol 6014 Public Complaints (*under development*)
Pol 7013 Commercial, Promotional and Corporate
Sponsorships and Partnerships (*under development*)