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Staunton River Middle School LMC Collection Development Policy

Mission Statement

The Staunton River Middle School Library Media Center (LMC) empowers students and staff to be effective and ethical users of information and ideas, lifelong learners, and future-ready citizens.

Position Statement

The SRMS LMC serves as a space for students from all backgrounds, socioeconomic statuses, and cultures to access materials for both academic pursuit and personal enjoyment. It is essential that the LMC represents all students, and materials are selected based on age-appropriateness and a variety of interests.

Selection Principles

In addition to adhering to the [Bedford County Public Schools School Board Policy](#), the SRMS LMC applies the [ALA Library Bill of Rights](#) to its book and online selection policy.

The Library Bill of Rights reads:

I. Books and other library resources should be provided for the interest, information, and enlightenment of all people of the community the library serves. Materials should not be excluded because of the origin, background, or views of those contributing to their creation.

II. Libraries should provide materials and information presenting all points of view on current and historical issues. Materials should not be proscribed or removed because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval.

III. Libraries should challenge censorship in the fulfillment of their responsibility to provide information and enlightenment.

IV. Libraries should cooperate with all persons and groups concerned with resisting abridgment of free expression and free access to ideas.

V. A person's right to use a library should not be denied or abridged because of origin, age, background, or views.

VI. Libraries which make exhibit spaces and meeting rooms available to the public they serve should make such facilities available on an equitable basis, regardless of the beliefs or affiliations of individuals or groups requesting their use.

VII. All people, regardless of origin, age, background, or views, possess a right to privacy and confidentiality in their library use. Libraries should advocate for, educate about, and protect people's privacy, safeguarding all library use data, including personally identifiable information.

Challenges

Any parent wishing to challenge a material should refer to the BCPS Policy [here](#).

Donations and Gifts

The SRMS LMC is pleased to accept any monetary donations through the front office of the school or the district office. The monies should be clearly labeled for the library, and as any other specifications the donor may have. Books may be donated, to be considered for the collection in the library. Upon donation, materials become the property of the SRMS LMC, and the library media specialist reserves the right to use the materials as is seen fit. Although all donations are appreciated, materials that are outdated or unusable will be recycled.

Weeding

Materials that no longer meet the general selection criteria for the library (including those that have become damaged or obsolete) will be systematically withdrawn. Using the guidelines suggested in [The CREW Manual](#), the library media specialist will follow the guidelines for systematic weeding in order to maintain the library's collection.

Benefits of Weeding

1. Keeps the collection current
2. Gives the library an attractive, user-friendly appearance
3. Creates the best utilization of available space
4. Ensures optimum service with a high-quality collection of materials
5. Locates materials needing repair, rebinding, or replacing