



Resource Selection Guide

These norms were developed collaboratively by teachers, administrators, and parents in order to provide clarity around the selection of materials for classroom use. As a District, we rely on Open Educational Resources (OER) to flexibly and effectively meet the needs of all learners. Teachers use their professional expertise and work collaboratively to select materials for classroom use using the norms below.

Please reach out to your child's teacher with specific questions. You may also contact your school principal or the appropriate curriculum supervisor (contact information below).

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We will provide our students with “[windows, mirrors, and sliding doors](#)” to allow them to see themselves, others, and how they can make connections with experiences they have and haven't lived.



We will provide our students with frequent opportunities to look at multiple viewpoints, ideologies, and opinions and will guide them in how to think about topics, not what to think about them.



We will be mindful of the age-appropriateness of the topics we address and materials we select. When necessary, we will provide our students with the appropriate context and skills to have respectful, appropriate discussions on topics that we anticipate may be challenging.



We will consult with colleagues and supervisors when appropriate to ensure that the materials we select align well with curricular goals, existing district systems, and resources.