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RELATIONSHIP WITH NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS

In recognition of its responsibility under state law and regulation, the Board of Education will make available required public school materials, equipment, and services to resident students who attend nonpublic schools.

For purposes of this policy, the term "parent" includes parent, guardian, or person in a legal parental relation.

Textbook Loan

The Board is required to purchase and to loan, upon individual request, textbooks to all children residing in the district who are attending grades kindergarten through twelve in any public or nonpublic school which complies with the compulsory education law.

It is also understood that the textbooks must be "loaned free" to the children, but Boards may make reasonable rules and regulations regarding such loan(s).

Therefore, the following rules and regulations govern the loan of textbooks to residents of the district attending nonpublic schools:

- 1. The textbooks remain the property of the district.
- 2. The textbooks are returned at the end of the nonpublic school year.
- 3. If lost or destroyed, the textbooks are paid for in the same fashion as the students attending district schools.

Any such textbook must be designated for use in a public school of the state or approved by a Board of Education or other school authority. The district may require parents or nonpublic schools to submit evidence of this, which may be in the form of a verifiable authenticated list of school districts using the textbooks from the publisher. Textbooks must be nonsectarian in nature and may not carry the endorsement of a religious authority.

The district is not required to spend more than the total amount of textbook aid it receives, although it may provide for additional funds as part of its annual budget. If funding is inadequate to purchase all the books required, to ensure equitable distribution, the district will determine which categories of textbooks (e.g., type (such as consumable workbooks), subject areas, grade levels) may be loaned to both public and nonpublic students within the resources available.

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The Superintendent will specify the date by which requests for textbooks must be received

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Such services will be provided in regular classes of the district, not separately from district

Regulations

The Board authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to establish any and all rules, regulations, and procedures necessary to implement and maintain this policy.

Cross-ref: 1741, Home-Schooled Students

4321.10, Programs and Services for Parentally-Placed Nonpublic School Students

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8413, Transportation to Nonpublic School Students

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