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# NEW TRIER TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 203

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Board of Education Policy 6-210

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## INSTRUCTION

### INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS SELECTION AND ADOPTION

The freedom of the faculty to select textbooks, library books and other instructional materials is a professional privilege. Board of Education policy supports academic freedom as basic to both democracy and public education. The Board expresses good faith in the faculty's capacity to select educational materials using professional judgment. All instructional materials shall be adopted consistent with provisions of *The School Code of Illinois*.

The Superintendent shall establish and maintain a process for the budgeting and selection of instructional materials. Instructional materials, including textbooks, will be selected on the basis of their merit as aids to instruction in specific courses, as judged by the department concerned and approved by the department chair and the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction.

As for adverse criticism of approved books, and petitions for censorship, removal or expurgation of content deemed by a critic or critics to be offensive on moral political, religious or other grounds, Board Policy 6-260 will be followed.

A list of basic and supplementary instructional materials used in the District, including cost to students and families, shall be revised periodically by building administrators under the direction of the Superintendent and shall be made available to the Board of Education and professional staff as a reference.

**Legal Reference: 105 ILCS 5/28-1 et seq.,**

**Cross Reference: Policy 6-260**

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