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# **Pembroke Lakes Elementary**

Media Center  
Collection Development Plan

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# Executive Summary

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## ***District Strategic Plan 2025***

Broward County Public Schools is the sixth-largest school district in the United States and the second largest in Florida. The district serves more than 256,021 students at 231 schools and is one of the largest employers in South Florida with 30,529 team members.

**Vision:** Educating today's students to succeed in tomorrow's world.

**Mission:** Educating all students to reach their highest potential.

**Core Values:** Student Focus, Teaching Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

## ***School Mission Statement***

Pembroke Lakes Elementary School's vision is to provide quality education that empowers students today, with the necessary tools to communicate and collaborate effectively in order to solve problems and become successful lifelong learners. It is the school's purpose to prepare students to succeed in a global society by providing a challenging educational experience, a safe learning environment and personalized, rigorous curriculum through excellence in teaching.

PLE believes that all students are to be treated with respect and compassion. We meet students where they are as they are with anywhere, any way learning. Teachers are responsible for assisting students in successfully meeting their goals in order to reach their full potential.

Collaboration among all stakeholders is vital in meeting the individual needs of all students. Community and character are the cornerstone of Pembroke Lakes Elementary School. Character Education is paramount in PLE's mission. Programs and activities such as Peace Week, Start with Hello, Digital Citizenship Week, Red Ribbon Week, Anti-Bullying Week, Kids of Character, and Rethink ED provide students with the foundation to make decisions about how others should be treated.

Pembroke Lakes Elementary School meets the needs of varying types of learners and exceptionalities. Additional support is provided for students performing below grade level, through the Response to Intervention (RtI) process, Progress Monitoring Plans (PMPs), small group intensive interventions, foundational reading classes, computer assisted instruction, and supplemental academic support beyond the school day. PLE is committed to creating a collaborative and critical-thinking environment, driven by technology and communication, in order to prepare our students for success in tomorrow's world.

## ***School Community***

Pembroke Lakes Elementary serves 651 students enrolled in grades K-5. Pembroke Lakes population is comprised of 21% White, 21% African American, 85% Hispanics, 4% Asian, 1% Multiracial, 1% Native American, and 51% of students receive Free or Reduced Lunch.

The administration includes Principal Marsha Wagner and Assistant Principal Dr. Lacresha Cooper. Pembroke Lakes Elementary is proud to offer the many special programs which provide students with opportunities. Pembroke Lakes is proud to be named a Microsoft Showcase School and receive recognition for the innovative ways technology is integrated into instruction. Blended learning models are currently in place for all students in kindergarten through fifth grade. This model emphasizes personalized learning by differentiating the pace, place, and path students' access.

To accomplish our mission and to address the needs and interests of the whole child, we attend to the social and emotional well-being of our students, and provide many extracurricular activity opportunities including Chorus, Debate Team, Drama Club, Enrichment Masters Program, Game Day Club, Math Club, Minecraft Student Ambassadors, Pelican Pals, PLETV, Safety Patrol, Students Against Violence Everyday (SAVE) Promise Club, Student Leadership Council. Our weekly specials include Music, Media and Physical Education. In addition, our Parent Teacher Association (PTA) conducts many exciting family events throughout the year.

## ***Purpose of Collection Development Policy***

Having student, teacher, and stakeholder input for purchasing books is very important for our library media program. Every year we purchase Sunshine State books as a school wide reading motivational program. Also, looking at the historical data the following Dewey classifications need more up to date books 300s, 700s, 800s, 900s. Last school year the focus was on weeding books to get the average age of collection as close to 2008 as possible. Over 2,915 books were weeded since the beginning of the school year. Going forward areas of concern are reference and professional materials. Also, the average age of Easy Readers is 2004, which needs to become more current for students.

A thorough analysis of the current media center collection at Pembroke Lakes Elementary indicates that the average age of the collection is 2008 and the number of books per student is 12.4 books per student. The [American Association for School Libraries](#) has established a criteria for highly effective media center that includes a ratio of 10 books available per student in the collection.

At this time, Pembroke Lakes Elementary does not meet the recommended standards for the number of books per student.

## Library Program

The Pembroke Lakes Elementary Library program is on a fixed schedule. The library media specialist teaches ten 30-minute classes a day that follow a three-week rotation. The Library Media specialist supports the academic program by embedding Social Studies standards in the library curriculum. Students learn the Florida FINDS research model throughout the school year. Our 2nd – 5th grade students pair up to research contributions of marginalized groups (people of color, women, people with disabilities etc.) in subject areas, especially in Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, History and English. Presentations are shared during our morning announcements.

The following are reading motivational programs supported by the library media program Beanstack, Read Across Broward, Bookfair, Family Reading Night, BCAMS bookmark contest, Sunshine State Young Reader Celebration, Book Bingo Literacy Week, and Read for the Record.

## School Analysis

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The school analysis provides an overview of the school's enrollment, demographics and special programs offered.

Name of School Enrollment & Demographics Data					
<b>651 students</b> 2023-2024 Student Enrollment			<b>Federal Ethnicity</b>		
			<b>85%</b> Hispanic		<b>15%</b> Non-Hispanic
Federal Race Category					
<b>21%</b> White	<b>21%</b> Black	<b>1%</b> Native	<b>4%</b> Asian	<b>0%</b> Pacific	<b>1%</b> Multicultural

## Scope of the Collection

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At the Pembroke Lakes Elementary School Media Center, we are committed to providing a diverse and relevant collection that supports the educational needs of our scholars. Our collection includes a wide range of formats, carefully curated to enhance learning experiences. Here's what our collection includes and does not include:

- 1. Print Materials:**

- **Books:** We maintain an extensive collection of fiction, non-fiction, and reference books. These cover various genres, subjects, and reading levels.

- **Graphic Novels:** These visual narratives encourage literacy and appeal to a broad audience.
  - **Picture Books:** Essential for early literacy development, picture books are available for our younger scholars.
  - **Reference Materials:** Encyclopedias, dictionaries, and atlases are accessible for research purposes.
2. **Digital Resources:**
    - **Online Databases:** We provide access to reputable databases for scholarly research. These are provided at the district level.
    - **E-books:** Our digital library offers a selection of e-books compatible with various devices.
  3. **Hardware and Software:**
    - **Computers:** Our media center provides laptop computers equipped with internet access for research and learning.
    - **Interactive Whiteboards:** These enhance collaborative learning during library sessions.
    - **Headphones:** Available for listening to multimedia resources.
  4. **Addressing Our Hispanic Student Population:**
    - Given that our Hispanic student population is at 85%, we have proactively purchased books in Spanish and bilingual materials. These cater to cultural diversity and language needs.
    - We celebrate Hispanic heritage through literature, ensuring representation and fostering pride.
  5. **Florida Best Standards and Anchor Texts:**
    - Our collection aligns with the new Florida Best Standards, emphasizing critical thinking, creativity, and collaboration.
    - We have identified anchor texts that serve as foundational resources for various subjects, supporting classroom instruction.

In summary, the Pembroke Lakes Elementary School Media Center strives to create an inclusive, dynamic collection that empowers scholars, celebrates diversity, and fosters a love for lifelong learning.

The district provides online resources to ensure equitable access to information for teaching and learning to improve student performance and achievement. Students and teachers can use Clever or Canvas to access age-appropriate materials that support educational and social-emotional needs through the following online resources: Follett Destiny Online Library Catalog, Gale Online Databases and eBooks, and Sora by Overdrive.

School media centers provide access to library media materials that eliminate educational barriers based on gender, race/ethnicity, national origin, color, religion, disability, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, expression, or other protected group status and that are free of bias, stereotypes, distortions, and prejudices. This includes the ability to obtain information in a variety of formats -electronic, as well as print, without fear of censorship or reprisal.

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## ***Collection Development***

Collection Development is the process of providing quality materials and equipment for the library media center. The goal of collection development is to ensure the collection has information sources in adequate quantity and variety to support student's academic and personal interest needs. The media specialist is charged with leading this process with the input of teachers, students, and parents. Resources are selected according to principles of intellectual freedom and provide all learners with access to information representing diverse points of view.

### **Selection and Evaluation Criteria (Drawn from BCPS Policy 4120)**

#### ***Selection of Materials***

Funded by the state, district, and school, the media collection will contain a wide range of appropriate materials on varying levels of difficulty in various existing and emerging formats. It will focus on materials that address different learning styles and levels.

#### ***Responsibility***

The School Board of Broward County is legally responsible for all matters relating to the operation of the Broward County Schools. The responsibility for coordinating the selection of instructional materials for the School Media Center is delegated to the **professionally trained media specialist** in consultation with the principal, teachers, and students.

**\*In the event there is not a school library media specialist,** the Principal and/or Administrative Designee will assume the responsibility for identifying and selecting an instructional staff member(s) to engage in the selection process to ensure materials support the needs of the school community.

**NOTE:** Clerical personnel should NOT be responsible for library material collection development and/or resource management and selection of materials.

## **Criteria for Selection of Print and Non-Print Materials**

1. Materials are selected to support the mission of Pembroke Lakes Elementary
2. Materials are selected to enrich and support the curriculum and the educational, emotional, and recreational needs of the users.
3. Materials shall be appropriate for the age, emotional development, ability levels, learning styles, and social development of the students.
4. Materials shall represent differing viewpoints of controversial issues so that users may be motivated to engage in critical analysis of such issues, to explore their own beliefs, attitudes, and behavior, and to make informed choices in their lives.

In keeping with the **Library Bill of Rights**, materials will be considered based on the following:

- Needs of the curriculum, learning/teaching styles of students, faculty, and staff
- Possible use of material (including small or large group instruction, in-depth study)
- Level of physical, artistic, and literary quality
- Representation of multiple viewpoints
- Treatment of subject and lack of cultural bias
- Accuracy and currency of information
- Scope of coverage
- Support of inquiry and critical thinking skills
- Relationship of the material to the overall collection
- Cost, packaging, and documentation

## **Selection Tools**

The following professional resources are available to assist the media specialist in the selection process. However, selection is not limited to the use of these tools.

**Follett Titlewave:** Titlewave is a collection development and curriculum support tool for school libraries, librarians, and educators, featuring professionally curated content from Follett library services and support tools that help you find the most relevant materials.

**Mackin:** Mackin uses highly acclaimed review sources (AudioFile, Booklist, Horn Book Magazine, Kirkus Reviews, Library Media Connection, Publishers Weekly, and School Library Journal). It places them in one convenient location to make the best selections for school libraries and students.

**Periodicals:** School Library Journal, Kirkus Reviews, Booklist, Horn Book, Library Media Connection, Journal of Adolescent and Adult Literacy, Young Adult Library Services, Knowledge Quest.

**Books:** Children's & YA Book Lists: Best Books, Best Books for Young Adult Readers; Books for You: An Annotated Booklist for Senior High Students; Outstanding Books for the College Bound: Choices for a Generation; and Senior High School Library Catalog.

**Note:** Common Sense Media, Amazon, Goodreads, and Reviews from paid reviewing sources **may be used** in conjunction with professional reviewing sources.

### ***Gifts and Donations***

Any gifted or donated items must meet the same selection criteria as all other materials – the selection criteria as listed in House Bill 1467 and in Broward County School Board Policy 4120.

### ***Collection Maintenance***

Removing materials from a library collection that are no longer educationally appropriate is as an equally important process as selecting new items of high quality. The library media specialist and/or instructional staff should have an ongoing process to evaluate the library media collection and to keep the collection relevant to the changing needs of the curriculum, personal interests, and needs of students. Evaluation of items under consideration for removal from the Library Media Center should be based on criteria related to the educational value of the resources. The removal (weeding) of library materials from the collection is the responsibility of a skilled professional library media specialist. Weeded items should not be disposed of or discarded at the school site. Weeded items should be boxed and identified as DISCARDED or WITHDRAWN and scheduled for pick up by Procurement and Warehousing Services by completing the enclosed Warehouse Assistance Request Form.

## **Reconsideration of Materials**

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Inquiries regarding the appropriateness of particular library and supplemental instructional materials are a normal part of the process of providing a wide variety of resources for student use.

### ***Opt-Out Form***

Parents may submit their request to limit their student's access to materials in the school or classroom library by submitting a completed Opt-Out Form to the school principal.

### ***Procedures for Objections to Library Materials and Reading Lists*** ***Objection Process***

#### ***Superintendent Review Committee***

1. The School Board shall form a Superintendent Review Committee (SRC) to review objections to library materials. The SRC must have a minimum of five members but may

have as many additional members as the Superintendent or his/her designee appoints based on need.

2. Any committees convened for the purpose of resolving an objection by a parent or resident to specific materials must include parents of students who will have access to such material.
3. The membership of the review committee should reflect the broad racial, ethnic, socioeconomic, and cultural diversity of Broward County Public Schools as well as individual(s) with noted or reasonable subject matter expertise.

### ***Phase 1: Complete Objection to Library/Instructional Materials Form***

- a. A parent or resident of Broward County who wishes to object to materials used within the School Board of Broward County Public Schools must complete the "Objection to Library/Instructional Materials Form," located on the school's Library Media website. The objection shall include the following information:
- b. Parent or resident of Broward County must specify the text within the material he/she believes is out of compliance with the requirements of Section 1006.28(2)(a)2.a. or b., Florida Statutes, and the nature of the alleged noncompliance.

### ***Phase 2: Notifications***

- a. Upon receipt of the completed "Objection to Library/Instructional Materials" form, notifications will be sent to the principal where the challenge originates as well as the Innovative Learning Department staff, school board members, and superintendent.
- b. Any item subject to an objection on the basis of sub sub-subparagraph b. (I) or sub-sub-subparagraph b.(II) must be removed within 5 school days of receipt Page 9 of 10 of the objection and remain unavailable to students of that school until the objection is resolved.

### ***Phase 3: Superintendent's Review Committee Review***

- a. The Innovative Learning Department Director shall convene the SRC to review the material.
- b. SRC will utilize an approved review rubric aligned to School Board policies and state statutes approved by the Superintendent.

### ***Phase 4: SRC's Recommendation to the School Board***

- a. A decision will be rendered within ninety (90) days after receipt of the objection.
- b. Committee will submit their recommendation to the School Board of Broward County, the Superintendent, and the parent or resident of Broward County.
  - i. allows the challenged material to maintain its current status;
  - ii. leave the challenged material in the classroom or school media center, but allow students to use alternate materials approved by school personnel who require the use of the disputed items;

- iii. limit the educational use of the challenged material;
- iv. transfer the challenged material to a higher-level school (e. g. elementary to a middle school); and/or
- v. remove the challenged material from the school environment.

**Phase 5: Appeal**

- a. If a parent or resident of Broward County disagrees with the determination made by the SRC, he/she may request inclusion on the School Board agenda.
- b. If they disagree with the School Board's decision on the objection to the use of a specific material, a parent or resident of Broward County may request from the Commissioner of Education appointment of a special magistrate who is a member of the Florida Bar in good standing and who has at least 5 years' experience in administrative law to render a recommended decision.

## Collection Analysis

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The information provided in this section gives an overview of the entire library collection. collection analysis is based on a Titlewave Analysis completed.



**8,076**

Items in the Collection



**2008**

Average Age of the Collection



**12.3**

Items per Student



**59%**

Fiction titles in the Collection



**41%**

Non-Fiction Titles in the Collection



**49 %**

Aged Titles

Diverse library media resources. The resources provide “mirrors, windows, and sliding glass doors” for students and teachers to see themselves in books and also learn about the lives of others through literature.



**33 %**

Diverse Titles in Collection



**2007**

Diverse Titles Average Age

Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) library media resources can contribute to the **development of character and social-emotional skills.**



**38%**

SEL Titles in Collection



**2010**

SEL Titles Average Age

## Collection Analysis by Category

The information collected in this section provides a detailed look at the current library collection by classification and genre. The information was gathered from Follett Destiny, the library management system, and Titlewave, the vendor's ordering and analysis tool (Balanced Dewey Comparison Report).

Section	Average Age	# of Titles	Actual Percentage	Recommended Percentage	Difference Percentage
Computer Science, Information & General Works	2008	37	0.5%	0.7%	-0.2%
Philosophy & Psychology	2011	28	0.3%	0.4%	-0.1%
Religion	2005	29	0.4%	0.3%	0.1%
Social Sciences	2002	377	4.7%	5.5%	-0.8%
Language	2007	107	1.3%	0.5%	0.8%
Science	2005	899	11.1%	8.7%	2.4%
Technology	2008	311	3.9%	4.3%	-0.4%
Arts & Recreation	2005	400	5.0%	5.8%	-0.8%
Literature	2004	101	1.3%	1.5%	-0.2%
History & Geography	2003	515	6.4%	5.7%	0.7%
Biography	2007	314	3.9%	3.4%	0.5%
Easy	2007	1,948	24.1%	33.4%	-9.3%
General Fiction	2012	2,649	32.8%	29.8%	3.0%
Paperback	2012	169	2.1%	n/a	n/a
Professional	2001	73	0.9%	n/a	n/a
Reference	2003	47	0.6%	n/a	n/a
Story Collection	2018	5	0.1%	n/a	n/a

The analysis of the collection also revealed the following areas of **strengths** and **concerns**:

### **Strengths**

- Average age is very close to 2009.
- Items per student is almost at goal of 10 per student.
- The aged titles are less than 50%
- The general fiction average age is 2012.

### **Focus Areas**

- More Easy Readers need to be purchased.
- More Nonfiction Titles need to be added so that the collection is 50% Fiction and 50% Nonfiction.
- General Fiction titles need to be weeded so that the collection is 50% Fiction and 50% Nonfiction.
- Science section needs more weeding.

## Strategic Focus

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This page lists the priorities for weeding and purchasing for each school year and includes the actions, updates, and outcomes. This is subject to change due to funding and time constraints.

School Year	Strategic Focus
<b>Year 1</b> <b>Current Year</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Easy Readers need to be purchased because I will be weeding close to 900 books.</li><li>• More easy reader books are going to be purchased to also include diverse titles.</li></ul>
<b>Year 2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Non-fiction titles will be purchased because close to 700 books need to be weeded.</li><li>• Specific sections are countries, sports, and science. Our students are also into checking out books from these sections.</li></ul>

**Year 3**

- Fiction titles will be purchased because close to 700 books need to be weeded.
- Students love checking out from the fiction collection. Sunshine state books will continue to be purchased and added to this section of the library.

# Budget and Purchasing Plan

This page outlines the current budget available and specifically lists the priorities for this school year.

## Annual Budget 2024

Annual Budget	
Source	Amount
State Allocation Funds (amount provided in the spring)	\$0
Approximate Annual Budget	
Source	Amount
School Library Budget (\$9.60 Elementary and Middle per pupil and \$12.80 High per pupil)	\$5737.00
Library Media Internal Funds (Lost books, book fairs, and fundraising)	\$4487.15
Grants	\$2,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$12,224.15</b>

**Note:** State Allocation Funds (Fund 1000 Function 6200 Activity 7220). Please confirm this amount with your school bookkeeper.

## Purchasing Plan 2024

Approximate Purchasing Plan	
Purpose	Amount
Books to update collection	5,737
Robots and Makerspace Items	2,000
Sunshine State Celebration; Awards; Book Care (Internal Budget)	1,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8737</b>

Reviewed by Principal, **Marsha Wagner**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

- Share this plan with SAC by April 1, 2024**
- Post this plan on the school's website by May 31, 2024**

## Appendix

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- **Library Bill of Rights**
- **Guidelines for Challenged Instructional and Library Materials**
- **Library Reading Materials Opt Out Form 2023/2024 (All Grades)**
- **Objection to Library/Specific Materials Form**

## ***Library Bill of Rights***

The American Library Association affirms that all libraries are forums for information and ideas, and that the following basic policies should guide their services.

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.

Adopted June 19, 1939, by the ALA Council; amended October 14, 1944; June 18, 1948; February 2, 1961; June 27, 1967; January 23, 1980; January 29, 2019.

Inclusion of "age" reaffirmed January 23, 1996.

Although the Articles of the Library Bill of Rights are unambiguous statements of basic principles that should govern the service of all libraries, questions do arise concerning application of these principles to specific library practices. See the documents designated by the Intellectual Freedom Committee as Interpretations of the Library Bill of Rights.



## Library Media and Instructional Materials Guide

The purpose of this guide is to inform stakeholders of the opt-out and objection process of library media/instructional materials. The House Bill and Policies mentioned are referenced in the right column.

### House Bill HB1069

The bill includes provisions designed to protect children in public schools. The bill includes requirements for age-appropriate and developmentally appropriate instruction for all students in prekindergarten through grade 12.

The bill prohibits district school boards from imposing or enforcing requirements that persons or students be referenced with pronouns that do not correspond with biological sex as defined in the bill, subject to specified exceptions.

The bill enhances the process for transparency and review of library and classroom materials available to students in public schools and the process for parents to limit student access to materials and make objections to materials. The bill requires the suspension of materials alleged to contain pornography or obscene depictions of sexual conduct, as identified in current law, pending resolution of an objection to the material. A district school board must also discontinue the use of any material the board does not allow a parent to read aloud.

The bill requires that meetings of committees to resolve objections must be noticed and open to the public, and provides an appeals process through a special magistrate.

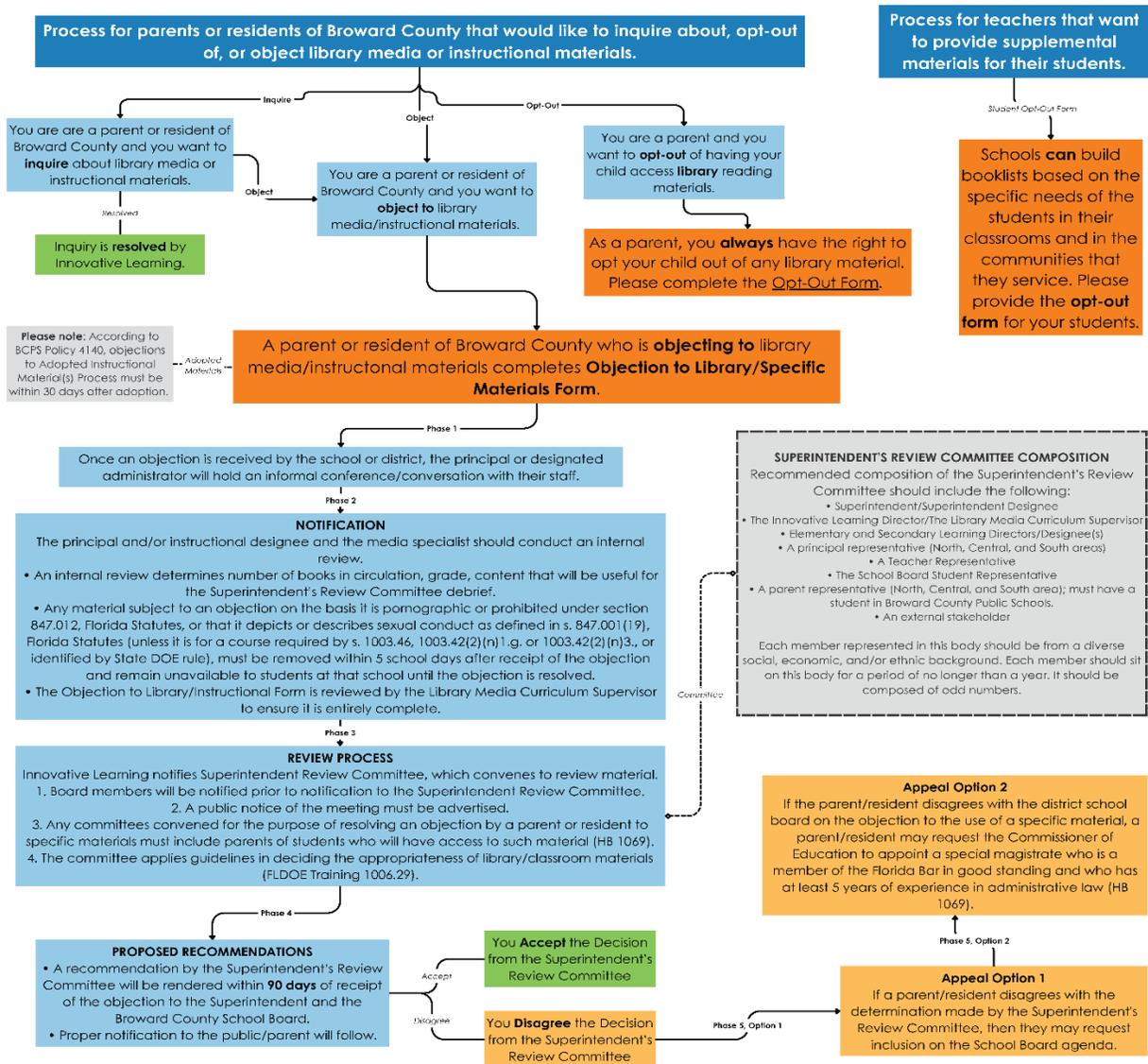
Each district school board must adopt a policy regarding an objection by a parent or a county resident to the use of a specific material, which clearly describes a process to handle all objections and provides for resolution. The process must provide the parent or resident the opportunity to proffer evidence to the district school board (HB 1069).

### BCPS Policy 4120

Policy 4317 was sunsetted on 9/13/2022 and embedded into new Policy 4120, which aligns with state statutes and the current Library Media Innovative Learning Commons spaces. In addition, the revised policy addresses the objection review process. The newly adopted district policy 4120, confirmed on June 13, 2023, states that the Superintendent establish a committee that will serve as the Superintendent's Review Committee (SRC). This body's implementation and function process is outlined on pages 8 and 9, Section three of Policy 4120. There are three prongs to creating the (SRC) body based on committee membership number, parent representation with currently enrolled student(s) in BCPS, and membership that reflects the cultural and economic diversity of Broward County Public Schools.

### BCPS Policy 4140

Policy 4140 supports the goal of the Board to provide students with the appropriate instructional materials, and equipment, necessary to ensure that each student will be able to pursue a course of study to realize full academic potential. The updated Policy 4140 aligns to State statutes and has been revised to address the objection review process that extends beyond the original 30-day protest period after a new adoption.



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# Library Reading Materials Opt Out Form 2023/2024 (All Grades)

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY,  
FLORIDA LIBRARY MEDIA SERVICES  
**LIBRARY READING MATERIALS OPT OUT  
FORM**

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**As a parent, you always have the right to opt your child out of any library material. Please complete the Opt Out Form.**

**Upon submission of the Opt Out Form, please discuss this decision with your child to ensure they are aware before visiting the library. Upon the Opt Out Form submission, your child’s account will be updated in the library checkout system. It is our goal to make this process easy for parents.**

**Please contact your building principal if you have questions or need additional information.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **I WILL NOT** permit my student to check out library materials.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name (PRINT) Student

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Name (PRINT)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature Date

# Objection to Library/Specific Materials Form



THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA  
INNOVATIVE LEARNING DEPARTMENT — LIBRARY MEDIA SERVICES  
**OBJECTIONS TO LIBRARY/SPECIFIC MATERIALS**

## Part I: Directions

In order to assist a parent or resident of Broward County with the submission of an objection, Policy 4120 provides information on the Objection to Library/Specific Materials Form as required by Section 1006.28(2)(a)2., F.S. A parent or resident of Broward County that wishes to object to materials used within the School Board of Broward County, Florida public schools must complete the "Objection to Library/Specific Materials Form" located on the School Board of Broward County homepage and on the media center page of each school. All completed objection forms must be emailed to the Director or Innovative Learning at [objectiontomaterials@browardschools.com](mailto:objectiontomaterials@browardschools.com). Parents or residents of this county may share their concerns regarding any library/specific materials with the principal at the school site where the material is located prior to filing an objection.

## Part II: Introduction

This form must be used by a parent or resident of this county, in conjunction with district policies and procedures, to submit an objection to the school board for the following material:

1. Materials used in a classroom in the district, except for instructional materials as defined in s. 1006.29(2), F.S. The process and forms to object to instructional materials can be found on the Innovative Learning website under [Instructional Materials Adoption Information](#).
2. Materials made available to students in a school or classroom library.
3. Materials included on a school or classroom reading list.

## SECTION 1: PARENT OR RESIDENT INFORMATION

Check the box that applies to you. Check all that apply.

Parent/guardian of a student  Resident of this county

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION 2: INFORMATION REGARDING MATERIAL

Type of material:  Book  Non-print material  Other (identify): \_\_\_\_\_

Title of the material: \_\_\_\_\_

Author(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Publisher or Producer: \_\_\_\_\_

Copyright Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level used: \_\_\_\_\_

Where is the material found:  Media Center  Classroom Library  Reading List  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

School(s) where material is found: \_\_\_\_\_

ISBN, if available: \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION 3: BASIS FOR THE OBJECTION

Identify the basis for your objection:

- The material is pornographic.
- The material is prohibited under Section 847.012, F.S.
- The material depicts or describes sexual conduct as defined in Section 847.001(19), F.S.
- The material is not suited to student needs and their ability to comprehend the material.
- The material is inappropriate for the grade level and age group for which it is used.

### SECTION 4: OBJECTION SPECIFIC INFORMATION

1. What brought this material to your attention?

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2. Did you examine this material in its entirety? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No  
If not, what sections did you examine?

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3. Identify the portion of the material objected to and why. *(You must be specific and provide page numbers, sections, or timestamps, as appropriate. You may attach additional information that does not fit within this form.)*

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4. Is there any age or grade you would recommend this material? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No  
If yes, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Is there any value in this material?

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6. What is your desired outcome for this material?

- Remove or discontinue use of the material
- Limit access to certain grade levels: \_\_\_\_\_
- Limit my child's access.
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_