

Administrative Procedure 270

SCHOOL LIBRARIES

Background

Students must have access to an effective school library program integrated with instructional programs to provide improved opportunities for student achievement.

Procedures

1. The Principal and school staff shall plan for resource-based learning which integrates the school library program with the instructional program of the school
2. The Principal and school staff shall provide input into budget, priorities, selection of resources, and development of a library handbook.
3. Schools shall have written selection criteria for the purchase of library resources which are consistent with:
 - 3.1 Guidelines for tolerance and understanding
 - 3.2 The 'Controversial Issues' section of the Guide to Education
 - 3.3 Canadian content priorities
 - 3.4 Identified library program goal and objectives
 - 3.5 Needs identified by students and teachers
 - 3.6 Information from recognized selection tools
 - 3.7 Resource-based learning
4. Each school's library handbook shall include goals and objectives for the library program, purchasing plan, instructional plan, culling procedures and a long range budget.

Reference: Section 39, 60, 61, School Act
Guide to Education ECS to Grade 12