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R277-468. Parents Review of Public Education Curriculum and Review of Complaint Process.

## R277-468-1. Authority, Purpose, and Oversight Category.

- (1) This rule is authorized by:
- (a) Utah Constitution <u>Article X, Section 3</u>, which vests general control and supervision over public education in the Board;
- (b) Subsection <u>53E-3-401(4)</u>, which allows the Board to make rules to execute the Board's duties and responsibilities under the Utah Constitution and state law; and
- (c) Sections <u>53G-4-402</u> and <u>53G-5-404</u>, which require LEAs to make instructional materials available for parent review and to involve parents of students in the LEA in reviewing instructional materials prior to approval.
- (2) The purpose of this rule is to direct an LEA to include parents in the adoption and review of an LEA's instructional materials including the review of complaints specific to curriculum materials.
- (3) The Rule R277-468 is categorized as Category 2 as described in Rule R277-111.

## R277-468-2. Definitions.

"Instructional materials" means the same as the term is defined in Section <u>53E-4-401</u> and may not be sensitive materials as defined in Section <u>53G-10-103</u>.

## R277-468-3. Parental Involvement with Instructional Material.

- (1) An LEA shall involve parents reflective of the school's community, who have a student who attends a school within the LEA, and instructional staff in the consideration of LEA-purchased instructional materials.
- (2) An LEA shall include parents reflective of the school's community, who have a student who attends a school within the LEA, in reviewing complaints specific to instructional materials.

(3) An LEA may seek assistance from parent organizations or associations or other groups to recruit and select parent members reflective of the school's community for the purposes described in Subsections (1) and (2).

(4) An LEA shall make the LEA's instructional material approval or complaint processes transparent and publicly available.

## R277-468-4. Parental Involvement Resources.

(1) An LEA may request the Board provide the LEA resources for effective parent participation in the instructional materials review or complaint process.

(2) An LEA may request the Board assist the LEA in policy development regarding parental involvement in the instructional materials review or complaint process.

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