

Memorandum

TO: ACPS School Board Policy Subcommittee
FROM: Matt Smith, Policy Services Consultant
DATE: May 11, 2023
SUBJECT: Proposed Policy Revisions

Staff are proposing revisions to the following policies:

- IIBD - School Libraries/Media Centers
- IIBD-R School Library Collections Regulations
- IIBEA-R3 - Student Use of Personal Mobile Devices
- IGBB – Programs for Gifted Students
- IKEB – Acceleration
- IKEB-R - Acceleration Regulations
- KLB - Public Complaints About the Curriculum or Instructional Materials
- KLB-E - ACPS Request for Reconsideration of Learning Resources
- KLB-R - Process for Responding to Request for Reconsideration of School Resources

These policies have been revised to align with the ACPS Policy Style Guide, aligned with the VSBA model policy and the Code of Virginia, and reviewed by the Equity Audit Team, ACPS staff members, and the Senior Leadership Team.

The proposed approach of IGBB, IKEB, and IKEB-R were discussed with the January 19, 2023 Board Work Session.

Policies IGBB, IKEB, and IKEB-R are proposed for information on May 18, 2023 to align with the Board adoption of the TAG Local Plan.

The remainder of the policies are proposed for information on June 1, 2023.

Revision Summaries

IIBD - School Library Media Centers

IIBD-R - Collection Development & Circulation Regulations

- 5-year review
- Standard changes
- Alignment with the VSBA Model Policy
- Added a Board Belief Statement
- Added statement about of culturally inclusive content
- New regulation for Collection Develop and Circulation Regulations
 - Created criteria and procedures for selecting and maintaining library collections
 - Created regulations around fees and fines for late, lost, and damaged materials
 - Added breadcrumbs for reconsideration of library materials

IIBEA-R3 - Student Use of Personal Mobile Devices

- New regulations
- Establishes governance over where students may use personal mobile devices such as cell phones with a focus on safety

IGBA - Programs for Gifted Students

- Added 'and talented' to the title
- Added a board belief statement
- Revised to align with the VSBA model policy

IKEB - Acceleration

IKEB - Acceleration Regulations

- 5-year review
- Aligned with the VSBA Model Policy
- Separated gifted acceleration from other forms of acceleration
- Removed content that is redundant with the Local Plan for the Gifted
- Removed content that is part of the Program of Studies
- Added underage first grade placement to the policy
- Renamed the regulation to Underage First Grade Placement

KLB - Public Complaints About the Curriculum or Instructional Materials

KLB-E - Request for Reconsideration of Learning Resources

KLB-R - Process for Responding to Request for Reconsideration of School Resources

- 5-year review
- Standard changes
- Revised to align with the VSBA Model Policy
- Added a Board Belief statement
- Noted that resources will not be removed during the reconsideration process
- New regulation that establishes a four-level review process
 - Discussion with the Principal, school committee, central committee, school board
- Updated the form to align with the regulation