

## INSTRUCTIONAL

### PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT IN CURRICULUM CONTENT REVIEW AND ALTERNATE INSTRUCTION

#### I. STATEMENT OF INTENT

The Martin County West School District believes in the principles of intellectual freedom. Members of the community are welcome to review curriculum and instructional materials. Any parent, guardian, or adult student in this district may express concerns about the content of instructional materials in the district's educational program. Whenever a concern is expressed, the district will respond with the procedure described below.

The intent of the procedure is to provide parents, guardians and adult students the opportunity to review instructional materials, express concerns and propose alternative instruction for the individual student.

The intent is NOT to interfere with the rights of others to receive the instruction in question, nor does it relieve the student from meeting state and district level learner outcomes.

#### II. Procedure

When a parent, guardian or adult student (hereafter referred to as "person") indicates a concern regarding the content of instructional materials, there procedure shall be followed:

- I. Request a review of material – each request for review of material shall be directed to the building principal, by completing "Statement of Concern" form.
- II. Alternative Instruction
  - A. School responsibility
    1. Upon receipt of a statement of concern, school personnel may propose one alternative form of instruction in place of the material in question.
    2. The building principal will facilitate a meeting among the concerned parties and, if appropriate, present the school proposal for alternative instruction as described in "Alternative Instruction Contract."
  - B. Parent, guardian, or adult student responsibility
    1. The person(s) will respond to the school proposal for alternative instruction.
    2. If the school proposal is rejected, the person(s) will develop an alternative plan at no cost to the district.

3. The proposed plan must address the district learner outcomes.

### **III. ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES**

#### **I. School responsibility**

- A. School personnel will determine an appropriate assessment.
- B. The school will not impose academic or social penalties as a result of alternative assessment.

#### **II. Student responsibility**

- A. The student will complete the appropriate assessment in accordance with the agreed upon alternative instructional contract.
- B. When the contract is completed and the specified outcome met, the student will be granted completion credit or grade for the work.