

MEDIA CENTER/LIBRARY

The primary objective of the library media centers in the Holmdel Township Public Schools is to implement, enrich and support the educational program of the school.

The district's media centers shall contain a wide range of materials on all levels of difficulty, appealing to diverse tastes, and presenting different points of view. Every pupil shall have access to a media collection containing materials appropriate to age level, interests and courses of study.

The Superintendent has final responsibility for recommending to the Board materials selected by professionally trained personnel -- media specialists, teachers, principals and supervisors -- for use in the library media centers of the district.

In selecting materials to recommend for purchase, the library media specialist shall evaluate the existing collection and consult reputable, unbiased, professionally prepared selection aids, and specialists from all departments and/or all grade levels. Requests from faculty and pupils shall be given consideration.

In addition to standard book(s) and print materials, the Board shall provide for the use of a wide variety of technology, audiovisual materials and equipment to enhance the curriculum.

The library media centers shall offer a continuous program of instruction in library and study skills, preparing pupils for independent use of learning resources and for development of reading, listening and viewing abilities and tastes.

The Superintendent shall develop and present for Board approval a media center/library program to provide necessary space, personnel and material to implement this policy.

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