Category: Academic

Division: Instructional Services

Department: Instruction

Policy Title: Library Materials

Policy Statement: Library and Comprehensive Learning Center (CLC) privileges are extended to students, county residents, faculty, staff, and other libraries. The library is open to other individuals for using materials within the buildings.

Procedures: Specific guidelines and procedures about library and CLC operations are available at the Library circulation and CLC reception desk.

LIBRARY MATERIALS: Many types of materials for the college library may be recommended by professional personnel of the library for purchase by the college. The following standards apply to possibly controversial types of material:

<u>Religion</u> – factual, unbiased material which represents all major religions may be included in the library collections.

<u>Ideologies</u> – the libraries shall, with no thought toward swaying reader judgment, make available basic primary and factual material and information on ideologies or philosophies of government which have had a significant impact on society.

<u>Profanity/obscenity</u> – materials will be subjected to a test of educational merit by the professional personnel of the library, the instructors and the administration.

In arriving at a decision, these persons will take into consideration the reading public and community standards of morality. Persons who disagree with the public display of particular works of art or printed materials on the college campus (or are offended by particular works) may register their complaint to the President. The complaint will be reviewed taking into consideration First Amendment protections along with obscenity standards to determine whether such work shall be removed from public display

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