

CLAY COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOLS

Update: Library Media

May 2024



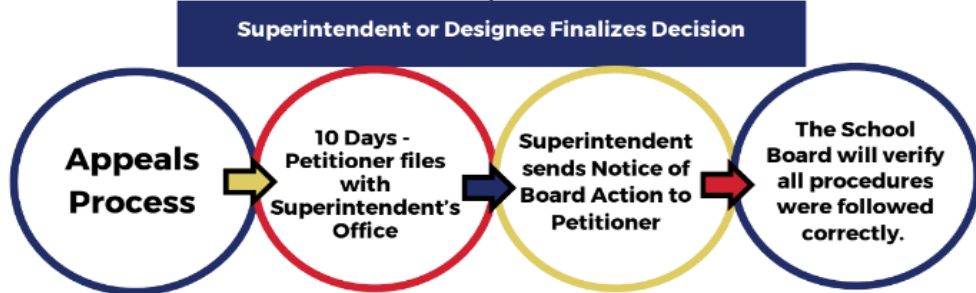
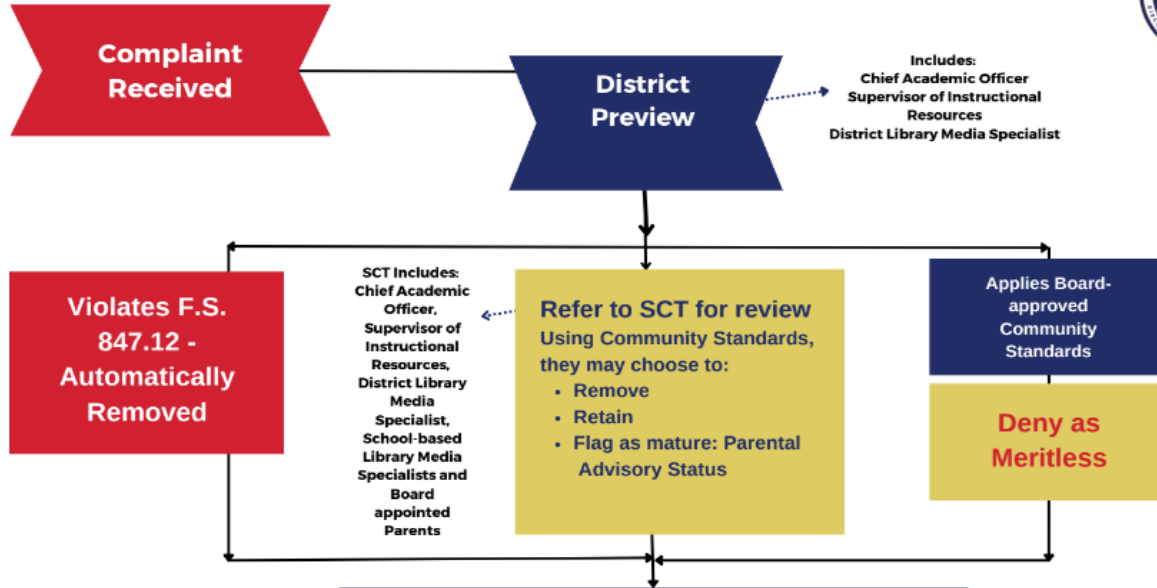


Background:

The Challenged Materials Policy and Library Media Services Manual were updated during the May 2nd board meeting.

- Parental rights are at the forefront
- Board approved Community Standards
- Parents choose the level of library access that best suits their child
- Covers topics required by Florida Statute and Library Media Training

Library Book Challenge Process



04.2024



Library Access Forms



Library Access Levels

- Parental rights
- Parents choose the level of library access that best suits their child
 - General Access
 - Unlimited Access
 - Limited Access
 - No Access
 - Daily Emails
- Access level chosen by parent upon first login of Synergy for the 2024-2025 school year
- Access levels can be changed by the parent during the year



Synergy Parental Preferences Landing Page

Clay County District Schools

Good afternoon, Test Parent, 5/21/2024

2024-2025

Parental Preferences

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INTRODUCTION

Welcome

Information

The Clay County School District of Florida is committed to honoring the rights of parents and promoting parental involvement in the District. The Board recognizes the fundamental rights of parents to direct the upbringing, education, and care of their minor children.

In accordance with Florida legislation, the following informational links are intended to provide parents with resources relating to the education of their child(ren). Please carefully review and choose the options that best fit the needs of you and your child(ren).

Please visit our website at <https://www.myoneclay.net/family/resource-guide-for-parent-rights> for additional information.

Throughout the Parental Preferences process, you will be presented with a variety of information to enter. Many steps will have required fields marked by an asterisk (*). You must enter information into these fields before you will be allowed to continue.

Continue

Parents Rights Information

Parents must complete all fields

Synergy Parent's Media Center Access & Book Check-Out Page



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DEMOGRAPHICS



Parental Preferences: Test Two Student

Media Center Access and Book Check-Out

Access Level	Grades K-8 (Click for more info...)	Grades 9-12 (Click for more info...)
General	Provides access to check out materials from the media center.	Provides access to check out materials from the media center, with the exception of those flagged with Parental Advisory status.
Unlimited	*Same access as "General". <i>Elementary and Junior High media centers do not have materials with a Parental Advisory status.</i>	Provides full access to check out media center materials, including those flagged with a Parental Advisory status, which do not violate state statute, but may contain mature content.
Limited	Provides access to check out materials from the media center with the exception of those titles, topics or authors specifically stated by parent(s) in writing.	
No Access	Student will not be able to check out any materials from the media center.	

Click for more Information

Defines Choices

*General access is automatically provided unless otherwise specified.

Please choose your option from the dropdown menu.

Books and Media Access *

- General Access
- Allow Unlimited Access
- Allow Limited Access
- No Access

Select Access



Synergy Parent's Media Center Access & Book Check-Out Page

No Access

Student will not be able to check out any materials from the media center.

**General access is automatically provided until a preference is specified by the parent.*

Please choose your option from the dropdown below:

Books and Media Access *

General Access

Parents may request a daily email which lists the items their child has checked out of the library. Please select from the options below to let us know if you would like to receive this email.

Destiny Email *

- I do not want a daily email of all the books my child has checked out
- I would like a daily email of all the books my child has checked out

Email Preference

SELECT REGISTRATION TO BEGIN

Please select the online packet you would like to begin

2023-2024 School Year



Emergency Medical Card/Annual Verification



New Student/Transfer Student Registration



PK ESE Registration (Requires District Approval)

2024-2025 School Year



Parental Preferences



PK/VPK Program at High Schools



VPK Program at Elementary Schools





Purchasing Plan



Purchasing Plan

- Spring 2024
 - Senior High School test prep books to support academic achievement
 - Update nonfiction collections - 300 titles previewed by Elementary Media Specialists, will be fully reviewed prior to adding to collection
 - Junior and Senior High Schools collaborated and reviewed 30 fiction titles
- Summer/August 2024
 - Pending summer review, libraries may purchase:
 - Elementary Schools: K-2, 3-5 SSYRA
 - Junior High Schools: 3-5, 6-8 SSYRA
 - Senior High Schools: 6-8 SSYRA



Purchasing Plan Continued

- August/Fall 2024
 - Media specialists train on Board Approved Community Standards as outlined in Board policy
 - Respective grade bands will collaborate to create a list of new titles for purchase
 - Elementary and Junior High Schools will have the opportunity to purchase nonfiction titles that were reviewed during the summer
- Prior to purchase, the recommended library books will be posted to the Library Media webpage to allow for public comment.
- Senior High titles: The district will purchase copies for librarians to fully review before purchasing for school libraries.



Library Book Purchasing Guidelines and Descriptions

Board Approved Community Standard	Elementary (K-6)	Junior High (7-8)	Senior High (9-12)
Profanity/Obscene Language	No crude profanity, racial or religious slurs. <i>*Because of Winn Dixie</i>	Limited profanity, racial, or religious slurs. Historically accurate in context. No "F" words. <i>*Touching Spirit Bear</i>	No pervasive use of racial slurs, or crude or excessive profanity outside of what is essential for the character or story. Historically accurate in context.
Horror	Mildly scary and suspenseful horror without graphic descriptions of horrific acts.	Limited scary and suspenseful horror without graphic descriptions of horrific acts.	Scary and suspenseful horror with moderate graphic descriptions of horrific acts. Shocks, frightens, limited feelings of repulsion or loathing.
Violence	Silly, cartoon-like violence without graphic descriptions.	Limited violence with mild graphic descriptions. <i>*Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl</i>	No pervasive or gruesome violence or mass killings. Historically accurate in context.
Glorification of weapons, suicide, self-harm, or mental illness	No glorification of topic, characters may reference having, using or knowing of these without graphic descriptions.	No glorification of topic, characters may reference having, using or knowing of these without graphic descriptions. <i>*The Outsiders</i>	Characters may reference using, having, or knowing of these topics with limited graphic descriptions. Historically accurate in context. <i>*A Child Called "It": One Child's Courage to Survive</i>
Glorification of drug, alcohol, or tobacco use by minors	No glorification of drug, alcohol, or tobacco use by minors. Characters may reference an adult using these without graphic descriptions.	No glorification of drug, alcohol, or tobacco use by minors. Characters may reference having, using, or knowing of these without graphic descriptions.	No glorification of drug, alcohol, or tobacco use by minors. Characters may reference having, using, or knowing of these with limited graphic descriptions. Historically accurate in context.
Sexual Activity	No reference to sexual activity, a friendly kiss on the cheek is acceptable, may contain descriptions holding hands, and/or illustrations of non-sexual nudity. <i>*Arthur's Birthday</i>	No descriptions or illustrations of sexual activity, may contain kissing, may contain descriptions and/or illustrations of non-sexual nudity.	No explicit, graphic descriptions or illustrations of sexual acts or aroused sexual organs, no reference to bestiality or sex with multiple partners at the same time, may contain description and illustrations of non-sexual nudity, may contain kissing, may contain inexplicit reference to sexual activity such as taking off clothes.

*Example of acceptable titles that fall within the limitations of the category.

Proposed Guidelines for Future Purchasing Based on Board Approved Community Standards



Appeals



The Process to Clear the Appeals Backlog

- As of May 24th, 485 Appeals
- Currently preparing them for the Board
- They will then be presented to the Board
 - Submitted in batches until backlog resolved
 - The vote is not a School Board endorsement of the content or subject matter, but a vote to state that the law and policy were followed
- Once cleared, appeals will be presented to the board per updated policy
 - Upon receipt of the Request for Appeal, the office of the Superintendent will mail a Notice of Board action to the Petitioner which states the date of the School Board meeting at which the Final Decision will be considered by the School Board



Proactive Measures



What is the District doing to ensure libraries do not have inappropriate materials?

- Personnel are actively reviewing materials in the libraries
- Questionable materials are reviewed by several people
- If necessary, materials (high schools only) will be marked with a “Parent Advisory Status” warning and may not be checked out by students without appropriate parental consent in Synergy.



Follett Destiny Update

- Destiny is currently working on new user experience that will allow parents to view current student checkouts, as well as checkout history
- If successful, this summer, parents will be able to block subjects/titles available in their child's school library
- If a child attempts to checkout one of these titles, the checkout will be blocked and with no manual override