



School Library Collection Development Policies Directory of Books and Websites

Resources to assist in writing a
collection development policy

Collection Management For Youth: Responding To The Needs Of Learners
by Sandra Hughes-Hassell and Jacqueline Mancall, ALA, 2005.

Collection Management for School Libraries
by Joy McGregor et al. Rowman and Littlefield, 2003.

Collection Development for a New Century in the School Library Media Center
By W. Bernard Lukenbill. Libraries Unlimited, 2002.

Managing and Analyzing Your Collection: Practical Guide for Small Libraries and School Media Centers
by Carol Ann Doll and Pamela Patrick Barron. American Library Association, 2002.

Fundamentals of Collection Development and Management
by Peggy Johnson, ALA, 2003.

The Collection Program in Schools: Concepts, Practices, and Information Sources by
Phyllis J. Van Orden and Kay Bishop, Libraries Unlimited, 2001

Collaborative Collection Development: A Practical Guide for Your Library
by James Burgett, John Harr, and Linda L. Phillips, ALA, 2004.

Writing Collection Development Policies: Useful Web Sites.

Developed by the Collection Development Policies Committee of the Collection Development and Evaluation Section of the Reference and User Services Association (RUSA/CODES), this site includes sample policies for all types of libraries. It includes guidelines for developing policies for electronic collections as well.

<http://www.ala.org/rusa/codes>

Workbook for Selection Policy Writing

The intent of this document is to provide a foundation for a school library media center to prepare for and respond to intellectual freedom challenges. The content is a basic guide to why a selection policy is important, how to draft a policy, tools for building a collection, and procedures for responding to a challenge.

Website: <http://www.ala.org/ala/oif/challengesupport/dealing/workbookselection.htm>

Adobe Acrobat PDF: <http://www.ala.org/ala/oif/challengesupport/dealing/workbook.pdf>

The following is a list of collection development policies from several different K-12 education institutions.

State of Hawai'i Department of Education Collection Development Policy

<http://lilinode.k12.hi.us/STATE/BOE/POL1.NSF/85255a0a0010ae82852555340060479d/c17b719dc4db69960a256d2400715f65?OpenDocument>

South Carolina Department of Education Library Media Center Management

<http://ed.sc.gov/agency/offices/tech/ms/lms/LMCManagement.html>

Montana State Collection Development Policy Guidelines For School Library Media Programs

<http://msl.state.mt.us/slr/cmpolsch.html>

Information Network For Ohio Schools Collection Development Policy

<http://www.infohio.org/Documents/INFOhioCollectionPolicy.pdf>

Nevada Department of Education Selection of Supplemental Textbooks and Resources for Media Centers

<http://www.doe.nv.gov/resources/texbookadoption1/text-admincode.html>

Baltimore County Public Schools – Selection Criteria For School Library Media Center Collections (MD)

<http://www.bcps.org/offices/lis/office/admin/selection.html>

School District of Philadelphia Selection Policy for School Library Materials (PA)

<http://www.libraries.phila.k12.pa.us/misc/selection-policy.html>

Chicago Public Schools Collection Development Policy For School Libraries (IL)

<http://policy.cps.k12.il.us/documents/604.7.pdf>

New York City School Library Collection Development Policy (NY)

<http://schools.nyc.gov/NR/rdonlyres/D1AE9864-E910-4322-9841-F936FEAE006C/20858/313NewYorkCityCollectionDevelopmentPolicy.pdf>

Marblehead Public Schools' Library Media Centers Collection Development Policy (MA)

<http://www.marblehead.com/staff/jhalks/policies.htm>

Bellingham Public Schools - Managing Our Library Collections for Information Power (WA)

<http://www.bham.wednet.edu/departments/libmedtech/libcollmanage.htm>

Grangeville District 241 Materials Selection Policy (ID)

<http://www.jsd241.org/policymanual/700/702.pdf>

Lowell Public Schools Library Material Selection Policy (MA)

<http://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/depts/superintendent/policies/library>

Lindbergh School Policies and Procedures (MO)

http://www2.lindbergh.k12.mo.us/lmsc/index_files/page0003.htm

Lick-Wilmerding High School Library Mission Statement and Collection Development Policy (CA)

http://www.lwhs.org/lwhslibrary/pdf/collection_policy.pdf

Robert Bumpus Middle School Media Center Collection Development Policy (AL)

<http://www.hoover.k12.al.us/rfbms/mediacenter/collection%20development-'01.htm>

The Holy Cross Library Collection Development Policy (LA)

<http://www.holycrosstigers.com/1/LibraryCollectionDevelopmentPolicy.pdf>