

Academic Freedom

The Board seeks to educate young people in the democratic tradition, to foster recognition of individual freedom and social responsibility, to inspire a meaningful awareness of and respect for the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

Freedom of individual conscience, association, and expression will be encouraged and fairness in procedures will be observed to safeguard the legitimate interest of a democratic society as set forth in the constitutions of the United States and the State of Colorado.

The Board recognizes that freedom carries with it responsibility, and that academic freedom also carries with it academic responsibility which is determined by the basic ideals, goals and institutions of the communities which comprise the District. The final responsibility in the determination of the above rests solely with the Board.

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LEGAL REFS.: Constitution of Colorado, Article IX, Section 15
Constitution of Colorado, Article IX, Section 16
C.R.S. 22-32-109 (1)(t) Board of education – specific duties regarding curriculum and textbooks
C.R.S 22-32-110 (1)(r) Board of education – specific power regarding materials of an immoral nature

CONTRACT REF.: SVVEA AGREEMENT, Article 12 – Academic Freedom and Controversial Issues