

# West Ada School District Book/Learning Resource Alignment Guide

The following sections should be completed by the District Reconsideration Committee members in evaluating whether books/learning resources are in alignment with the WASD Educational Program Philosophy, selection criteria of learning resources, and are appropriate for the designated grade span.

### **ILLEGAL USE OF SUBSTANCES**

Does the material contain explicit descriptions or images of any of the following?

- Illegal use of drugs
- Characters dying from a drug overdose.
- Underage use of alcohol or smoking/vaping

Is this content appropriate for grades 9-12? YES NO

Is there content about illegal use of substances other than any items checked above? If yes, briefly describe below.

In the larger context of the book, what greater purpose does this scene(s) serve?

Indicate the grade span(s) at which this content would be appropriate based on content about illegal use of substances:

Is this content appropriate for grades PK-5? \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO

Is this content appropriate for grades 6-8? \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO



## LANGUAGE

Does the material contain explicit use of language that may be objectionable i.	e. profanity
racist remarks, derogatory terms? If yes, list below.	

In the larger context of the book, what greater purpose does the language serve?

Indicate the grade span(s) at which this content would be appropriate:

Is this content appropriate for grades PK-5?

YES

NO

Is this content appropriate for grades 6-8? \_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO

Is this content appropriate for grades 9-12? \_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_ NO

#### SEXUAL CONTENT

Does the material contain explicit descriptions or images of any of the following?

- Sexual intercourse
- Masturbation
- Lewd exhibition of genitals
- Genitals in a state of sexual arousal
- Rape/Sexual Violence

Is there sexual content other than any items checked above? If yes, briefly describe below.



In the larger context of the book, what greater purpose does this scene(s) serve?

Indicate the grade span(s) at which this content would be appropriate based on sexual content
Is this content appropriate for grades PK-5? YES NO
Is this content appropriate for grades 6-8? YES NO
Is this content appropriate for grades 9-12? YES NO
VIOLENCE
Does the material contain explicit descriptions or images of any of the following?
<ul><li>Murder</li><li>Killing of animals</li><li>Torture/Abuse</li></ul>
Is there violent content other than any items checked above? If yes, briefly describe below.
In the larger context of the book, what greater purpose does this scene(s) serve?



Indicate the grade span(s) at which this content would be appropriate based on violent content:
Is this content appropriate for grades PK-5? YES NO
Is this content appropriate for grades 6-8? YES NO
Is this content appropriate for grades 9-12? YES NO

## **ADDITIONAL ARTIFACTS**

The committee may use the following sources to provide additional guidance to the decision-making process. Including but not limited to: Novelist, Teaching Books, Follett's Titlewave, Common Sense Media, YALSA

# **CONCLUSIONS**

Based on all considerations documented above check the box below to indicate whether the material should be included or removed from the library or classrooms at each grade span:

Recommendation:	
	Acceptable at <u>any grade level</u> classroom library or school library in our
	district.
	Acceptable at <u>any secondary level (grades 6 -12)</u> classroom library or
	secondary school library in our district.
	Acceptable only in high school (grades 9-12) classroom libraries or high
	school libraries in our district.
	This title <u>does not align</u> with the WASD Educational Program
	Philosophy or the selection criteria of learning resources.