Cerritos Community College District Procedure  No. 4040

Academic Affairs

AP 4040  LIBRARY AND LEARNING SUPPORT SERVICES

References:
Education Code, Sections 78100, 78101, and 78103;
ACCJC Accreditation Standard II.B (formerly II.C);
Title 5, Section 51023

The College Librarians will:
• establish procedures for selection of library resources;
• develop and maintain a comprehensive collection of library resources, in consultation with classroom faculty;
• prepare students to deal with controversial subjects by providing materials that represent opposing sides of issues as well as the many groups and opinions prevalent in society;
• instruct students and assist faculty in the principles of information competency; and
• review the library collection by using recommended lists of materials for community college libraries, professional journals in disciplines taught at the college, and current bibliographic publications.

Objectives in the selection of library resources shall include:

• Providing materials that enrich and support the curriculum.
• Providing materials that stimulate learning.
• Providing materials that represent the diversity of the District.
• Placing principle above personal opinion and reason above prejudice in the selection of materials.

If the content of library materials is questioned or challenged, the questions should be directed in writing to the Dean of the Library, signed by the person raising the question, and should indicate specific objections, page references, etc. The Dean and the College Librarians will then review the questioned materials and determine if they should remain available through the library.

Office of Primary Responsibility:  Vice President, Academic Affairs

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