

The classroom is not the proper arena for religious and political propaganda. Further, some issues may be of such controversial nature that discussion of such issues may detract from the educational environment.

The teacher and the principal will jointly review all subject matter of a possible controversial nature prior to its presentation in class. If the principal determines that the subject matter, methodology, or materials are possibly controversial, and lack educational value, he or she may instruct the teacher to modify or refrain from teaching the proposed lesson.

If the principal determines that the subject matter, methodology, or materials are possibly controversial, but effectively address some aspect of the curriculum, the teacher and the principal will determine what notification, if any, should be provided to the parents/guardians. An alternative lesson will be developed for students whose parents/guardians notify the school that they do not want their children exposed to the material at issue.

If the teacher and the principal disagree regarding the controversial nature of the subject matter, methodology, or materials, the matter will be reviewed by the superintendent. The superintendent will make the final decision in the matter.



**LEGAL REFERENCE:**

*Idaho Code* Section 33-506(1)

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