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ATHLOS LEADERSHIP ACADEMY POLICY No. 6.5 [CURRICULUM REVIEW & ALTERNATIVE INSTRUCTION]

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that Athlos Leadership Academy has procedures in place allowing parental review of instructional materials used in the curriculum.

II. POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of Athlos Leadership Academy to fully comply with state and federal laws regarding the right of a Parent to inspect any instructional materials used as part of the educational curriculum.

III. DEFINITIONS

The following definitions apply to this policy only.

- A. "Parent" means a parent, legal guardian, or adult student over the age of 18.
- B. "Student" means a minor child or an adult student currently enrolled in Athlos Leadership Academy.
- C. "Instructional Material" means content that is provided to a student, regardless of its format, including printed or representational materials, audio-visual materials, and materials in electronic or digital formats (such as materials accessible through the Internet) that are part of the school curriculum approved by Athlos Leadership Academy. The term does not include academic tests or academic assessments, nor does it include any spontaneous classroom discussion initiated by students or school personnel.

IV. PARENTAL RIGHTS

- A. Parents may review the content of instructional materials to be provided to their student in accordance to this policy and school procedures.
- B. If a Parent objects to the content of instructional materials, they may make reasonable arrangements with school personnel for alternative instruction that meet applicable curriculum standards.

III. REVIEW OF MATERIALS

- A. Parents wishing to review instructional materials to be provided to a student shall make a written request to Athlos Leadership Academy regarding the specific materials they wish to review and shall make their request as specific as possible. Athlos Leadership Academy's Principal or designee will arrange an opportunity for review of the requested material.
- B. If a Parent objects to the content for the student, they are to notify Athlos Leadership Academy of the specific objection in writing.

IV. ALTERNATIVE INSTRUCTION

- A. School personnel are not required to offer alternative instruction. It may propose alternative instruction that is reasonable within available resources upon proper notification from a Parent to Athlos Leadership Academy of the specific objection to the content in the instructional materials. Any alternative instruction shall be for the specific content of the objection only. Alternative instruction may be provided by the Parent if the alternative instruction, if any, offered by school personnel does not meet the concerns of the Parent. Athlos Leadership Academy is not required to pay for the costs of alternative instruction provided by a Parent. School personnel may evaluate and assess the quality of the student's work produced as part of alternative instruction. School personnel will not impose an academic or other penalty on a student merely for arranging alternative instruction under this policy.
- B. Any objection to the content of instructional materials or provision of alternative instruction for any one student shall not interfere with the rights of other students to receive the regular instructional content.

Legal Reference:

Minn. Stat. § 120B.20 20 U.S.C. § 1232h