BP 4040 Library Services

Reference: Education Code Sections 78100, 78103; Civil Code Section 1798.90

1.0 The District shall have library services, including access and services at District campuses, that are an integral part of the educational program and will comply with the requirements of the Reader Privacy Act. The District shall provide library facilities.

2.0 The purpose of the college library is to actively and effectively support instruction by serving as a resource for teaching and learning. The library shall provide access to its materials and services both within and beyond the library walls. The library shall provide information resources that promote better understanding and appreciation of the cultural, practical, and aesthetic elements of the broader world. The general public may have access to the college libraries, but the library prioritizes the support of the college’s educational programs and its students and staff.

3.0 The important functions of the libraries are as follows:

3.1 Maintain a relevant collection reflecting the diversity of backgrounds, circumstances, and viewpoints of the student and staff population.

3.2 Provide an environment for students and staff that promotes the development of information competency.

3.3 Provide appropriate and adequate staffing to assist with and instruct in the use of the information resources.

3.4 Promote the integration of library resources into the curriculum and instruction, and into the development of critical thinking by students.

3.5 Support the development and use of open access materials among those affiliated with the college.

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