

TEACHING ABOUT CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES

Controversial issues arising from classroom situations or subject matter shall be discussed and explored in classrooms throughout the School District. Free inquiry in a democratic society requires that controversial issues be handled as a regular aspect of instruction. Controversial issues provide stimulation to learning and are thus an integral part of the normal classroom environment.

When addressing such issues, it is important to show respect for community values as well as dignity, the personality, and the intelligence of all parties.

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