

156.476 Instructional materials for children with impaired vision -- Requirement that publisher or developer of adopted instructional materials furnish American Printing House for the Blind with text in electronic format. (Effective July 1, 2026)

- (1) The Kentucky Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the chief state school officer, shall select suitable instructional materials and programs in an appropriate format, which include braille textbooks, and other materials available in clear type of eighteen (18) to twenty-four (24) points in the different subject areas for children with impaired vision who are attending the public schools of the Commonwealth of Kentucky in grades kindergarten through twelve (12). These instructional materials shall not be subject to the official bids, filing fees, sampling, and the stipulated list prices, lowest wholesale prices, and the standards and specifications required for the instructional materials approved and listed by the State Quality Curriculum Task Force under KRS 156.395 to 156.476 for regular use by the pupils attending the public schools of the State of Kentucky. The Kentucky Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the chief state school officer, may promulgate an administrative regulation determining the pupils eligible for the instructional materials, the number and types of instructional materials to be purchased, and the general administration of the program. The chief state school officer, subject to the approval of the Kentucky Board of Education, may purchase these books and materials and distribute them without cost to the pupils with impaired vision attending the public schools of the state. All instructional materials and programs purchased under this section for the pupils with impaired vision are the property of the state.
- (2) The Department of Education shall require any publisher or developer of an instructional material or program adopted for use in the public schools of the Commonwealth to furnish the American Printing House for the Blind with an electronic version of those instructional materials either in the American Standard Code for Information Interchange, (ASCII), or in any other format which can be readily translated into braille or large print.

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