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Lincoln, MA 01773

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3. They must help students develop abilities in critical reading and thinking.
4. They must help develop and foster an appreciation of cultural diversity and development in the United States and throughout the world.
5. They must provide for all students an effective basic education that does not discriminate on the basis of race, age, color, religion, national origin, sex, gender identity, physical disabilities or sexual orientation.
6. They must allow sufficient flexibility for meeting the special needs of individual students and groups of students.

SOURCE: Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC)

LEGAL REFS.: M.G.L. [71:48](#); [71:49](#); [71:50](#)

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