

**157.110 Determination of grades and subjects to be provided with textbooks --  
Rental of textbooks -- Free textbooks for certain students.**

- (1) In the purchase and distribution of textbooks for grades nine (9) through twelve (12), if sufficient funds are not available to furnish textbooks for all four (4) grades, the chief state school officer, subject to the approval of the Kentucky Board of Education, shall determine for what grades and subjects textbooks shall be provided.
- (2) Local school districts, which do not provide a free textbook program for all students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12), shall establish, pursuant to Kentucky Board of Education administrative regulations, a process whereby pupils in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) may rent textbooks for a reasonable fee. Rental fees collected by the district shall be used for the maintenance of textbooks, the purchase of new textbooks, and the provision of free textbooks to pupils in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) who are unable to rent or purchase textbooks.
- (3) No pupil shall be denied the use of textbooks due to an inability to rent or purchase them. Local school districts shall establish, pursuant to Kentucky Board of Education administrative regulations, a process by which to provide free textbooks to pupils unable to rent or purchase them, including a process by which those students shall be informed of the availability of, and guidelines and procedures for, obtaining free textbooks.
- (4) The Kentucky Board of Education shall adopt administrative regulations to insure the availability of free textbooks to those pupils in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) who are unable to rent or purchase textbooks and shall use the guidelines of the free and reduced price lunch programs to determine inability to rent or purchase textbooks. The regulations shall also provide for exceptional circumstances, under which pupils who do not meet free and reduced price lunch guidelines may be provided free textbooks.

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