
JUST MY OPINION

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Yes, it's a sad day in Nassau County! The Nassau County School Board removed 36 books from circulation last year at the recommendation from "Citizens Defending Freedom," a conservative advocacy group. Two parents of students in the Nassau County School system filed a lawsuit against School Superintendent Kathy Burns and the school board. These parents felt their freedoms had been violated by removing these perverted books from school libraries. As this story hit national news it was reported by NBC News that the three dozen books were related to race and the LGBTQ community.

I have read parts of a few of these books, there is only one word to actually describe the content that I read, pornography! The details written in some of these books actually shocked me. I can't even come close to imaging my grandchildren having access to this smut in our public school system.

In order to settle the law suit, Nassau County School Superintendent Burns, at the advice of legal council, settled the law suit by agreeing to place the books back into the schools. Lauren Zimmerman, an attorney with the New York law firm Selendy Gay, which sued our school district on behalf of Parnell and Richardson and the two Nassau County residents stated, "This settlement, a watershed moment in the ongoing battle against book censorship in the United States, significantly restores access to important works that were unlawfully removed from shelves of Nassau County, Florida's public school libraries." You can probably imagine what I would like to say to Lauren Zimmerman!

I contacted four of the elected School Board members via email with the following message prior to the

settlement, "It has been said that the NCSB is contemplating the return of books that are graphic and pornographic into our schools. It is common sense that these types of books do not belong in our schools! This disappoints me extremely! I have just one question for you. If NCSB carries through with returning these books into our schools, would you be willing to read just one page (page 483) of the book titled *Tricks* written by Ellen Hopkins out loud during a regularly scheduled School Board meeting? I humbly ask for a return message from you." I also sent a similar text to Kathy Burns.

I received two replies from NCSB members and a reply from Burns. Not the first one answered the question I posed to them. What chaps me the most is, how can a parent, writer, publishing company or court of law tell us that we have to display their books in our public schools. What gives them the right to demand? Where is the 'democracy' that the liberals are always crying about losing? I'll tell you where it is, it's long gone. We no longer have freedom. We will never have freedom again in America if true American patriots don't stand up, unite and take back our country from these raging lunatics destroying our country. Fifty years ago, the parents would have marched into these schools and removed the trash themselves and dared some New York lawyer to come down here.

It is now or never. If Harris is elected, America is finished. The only way then would be an all-out civil war, which none of us want to see happen. However, the Constitution plainly states 'we the people' have a right obligation to overthrow a government that suppresses the people.

As always...that's just my opinion!
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