

The Forsyth County School District follows federal and state law in reviewing any challenges to books or other media materials. A copy of the relevant policy and procedure can be found in [Board Policy IKBC](#).

Any action by the District to remove any material from a school media center or classroom will follow the guidelines of this policy. Prior to the passage of the State law and the Local Board policy, eight books were temporarily removed from circulation in order to be reviewed. This review was based solely on whether any sexually explicit content described in the book was harmful to students. This review was not related to the sex, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, race, national origin or color of the author of the book or the characters in it. The School District attempts to present a broad perspective in the materials selected for school libraries and made available to students and by including materials about and by authors and illustrators of all cultures.

During the last two years, the District recognizes that the controversy over certain books, including the removal of certain books, may have impacted some students. Any student who feels impacted may contact the Title IX or Title VI Coordinator of the District or any administrator or counselor at the school for supportive measures. Information about filing a complaint based on sex, race, color or national origin can be found in the student handbook and in [Policy JAA](#).

The District will take appropriate action regarding anyone who engages in harassment that creates a hostile environment based on sex, race, national origin or color on District premises or in connection with any school related program or activity. [The District's Title IX training materials can be accessed here](#).