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What's in your kid's library?

Content summary, a warning - some topics you can't unsee:

Over 5000 age-inappropriate books were found in the libraries in CCDS

* Community standards are important! We the People are entitled to local control. By raising awareness and engaging to improve policies (and procedures and statutes and laws and rubrics and guidelines…) we can better protect each other's children.

**Subcategories below are NOT necessarily cause to remove any book. I am not necessarily placing judgment on any of this. Such content should, at a minimum, be mentioned in the Destiny summary and Parents should decide what their children read. Local taxpayers may decide which books to NOT purchase. BOTH of these sets of rights can and should be preserved! All of this is crucial for protecting innocent children.

1. SEXUAL INAPPROPRIATENESS:

- Pornography - blatant violations of Florida Statute 847: ("Gender Queer" and about 1000 other titles!)
  graphic consensual sex; rape ("Lucky," by Alice Sebold and many others); nude scenes ("Milk & Honey"); sex scenes ("Howl"); pedophilia ("This Book is Gay"); BDSM ("The Vampire Armand"); bestiality ("Slaughterhouse-Five" and "The Magicians"); masturbation (many) or masturbation with porn (Amy Poehler's "Yes Please"); masturbation with sex toys ("A Quick & Easy Guide to Sex & Disability," by A. Andrews); impaired/unconscious molestations/rape of impaired person.
  - Teacher with student crushes and or "relations" involving penetration [Statutory rape] or not; child sex.
  - Rape of a child (many books).

- Less blatant violations of FS 847: wet dreams ("Then Again, Maybe I Won't" by Judy Blume); a description of sexual arousal during commission of violence (Dean Koontz's "Voice of the Night" and "Intensity"). Add ("Unbroken: a World War II story of survival, resilience, and redemption," by Laura Hillenbrand)

- Sexual assault: pinching a girl's behind ("The 47 People You'll Meet in Middle School" by Kristin Mahoney...); Bra snapping.

- Promiscuity: trivial loss of virginity (100s of these books!);group sex/threesome (menage a trois)/orgies ("It," by Stephen King - removed)/swingers; polyamory ("Remake" by Ilima Todd); multiple partners-at once or serially ("Game of Thrones" - serial monogamy/casual sex); infidelity/cheating (married or not and involving penetration or not); Sex "work" (groupies; courtesans; hookers; prostitutes; whores; harems; eunuchs); online hookups (This Book is Gay by Juno Dawson); Sex with more than one sibling from another family - not in the same day or event ("Unravel me," by Tahereh Mafi - retained); promotion of sexualized games ("spin the bottle;" "truth or dare;" a similar Japanese kissing game called "pocky";

"seven minutes in heaven"; "suck and blow") sexualized youthful banter ("I got to third base with her"; "spank you very much"; "CU next Tuesday").

- Kink (cross-dressing; necrophilia; paraphilias); Voyeurism/stalking (toilet cams; peeping Toms; locker room peep holes; and many and various others); "rape fantasy" ("Jaws," by Peter Benchley and "Stargazer," by Claudia Gray); sexual deviance ("Dahmer" & many others); incest ("Push," by Ramona Lofton); alternative-bestiality via sex with non-human entity ("Mirror Mirror," by Gregory Maguire)/changelings by their imagined nature or via magic/aliens from outer space (many); sexualization of minors/grooming by any means (far too many of these books).

- SEX LINKS:- no books should refer to websites outside of the school system unless they are secure from hackers and deemed "safe.
    - A. https://www.thetrevorproject.org is NOT safe: I've found it referenced or promoted in:
        - "Channel Kindness," by Born This Way Foundation with Lady Gaga
        - "Cold," by Mariko Tamiki
        - "Gracefully Grayson," by Ami Polonsky
        - "How to Become a Planet," by Nicole Melleby
        - "Life Sucks," by Michael I. Bennett and Sarah Bennett
        - "Lily and Dunkin," by Donna Gephart
        - "The Bridge," by Bill Konigsberg
        - "The Other Boy," by M.G. Hennessey
        - "The Year We Fell From Space," by A.S. King
        - "Walking in Two Worlds," by Wab Kinew
        - "Watch us rise," by Renée Watson and Ellen Hagan
        - "When We Make It," by Elisabet Velasquez
        - "When we were infinite," by Kelly Loy Gilbert

The nature and content of the Trevor project facilitates grooming of our children and subjects them to potentially greater harm and injury. There are chat rooms for persons ages 13-24! This conflicts with Florida Statute: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1EIS9pcXEqOjWEm5v62Z_Jc1EN5QSyxCZ?usp=sharing

    - B. Bitch Media is NOT safe: it's another link from the book "Watch Us Rise," by Renee Watson. This subjects viewers to pop up ads for personal vibrators! https://www.bitchmedia.org/

    - C. Exercise the right to read is NOT safe anymore! (it was HACKED): This example was revealed at the CCDS school board meeting on 8/1/24 - It's now a direct link to XXX adult porn found in Clay County Junior High schools! Exercisetherighttoread.org - found in "The Running Dream," by Wendelin Van Draanen. FYI – on behalf of innocent children, the author was apologetic. Clay's Superintendent Broskie and the CCDS School Board members were not.

2. NON PHYSICAL SEXUAL INAPPROPRIATENESS (banter; profanity)

- Banter: I understand children will occasionally trash talk. Meanwhile, books with any joking about sexual assaults and phrases such as "don't drop the soap" or "Eddie gave her the old ice auger," ("Sucktown, Alaska," by Craig Dirkes); "nice rack" (Four days of you and me by Miranda Kenneally - pending) - we want better for our children!

- Blatant promotion of promiscuity: sex tapes; glorifying loveless sex; partners called "flavor of the week." ("Beyond the Chocolate War" by Robert Cormier.)

- Profanity: Certain words are immediately disqualifying for my family, my son. Words like “motherfucker” and “cunt” and “filching”; "fisting"; “pegging”; and "rimming." I imagine most people would prefer these words don't ever reach their innocent children. Personally, I believe the words "blowjob” and “handjob" are also not ideal in a public school. I think erring on the side of caution ought to include these as well. *Occasional profane gestures ("flipped the bird"; "gave him the finger") may be tolerated, but parents should be warned *IN THE BOOK SUMMARY.

3. NON SEXUAL INAPPROPRIATENESS: (violence; substance abuse)

- Violence (harm and self-harm): cutting (“Scars” and “Cut” and “Heartstopper, volume three” and “Walking in Two Worlds”...); suicide or attempted suicide by any means including anorexia/bulimia (many); casual or frequent abortions (many); cannibalism ("More Scary Stories" was retained; “Dahmer” removed 10/17/23 and others); domestic violence; child abandonment; child abuse; stalking; poisoning or drugging a person with roofies/Rohypnol or chloroform; use of other date-rape drugs; overdose(s); restraining anyone physically with or without handcuffs/duct tape/zip ties; claustrophobia causing events (locked in closet; trapped in freezer); water torture (water boarding or submersion until gasping); decapitation; bone breaking; mutilation or immolation of self or other ("Cat's Cradle," by Kurt Vonnegut-with death by hook); torture (bodily harm); crushing a person to death; asphyxiation; "drawn and quartered"; hangings/executions/lynching); crippling by cutting tendons; chokings; causing unconsciousness of a victim by any means; amputations; damaging the teeth of a person; persons falling to their death (pushed or not) (“All Eyes on Her,” by L.E. Flynn); stabbings (with any object); mutilation of fingers or toes; being buried alive; abductions/kidnapping; incarceration (by legal or other means); excessive violence or gore ("gunplay" or "swordplay" with or without images); dismemberment (many); use of explosives or bombs; pyromania; Russian Roullette; taking excessive risk – even for glory's sake; Gaslighting (psychological abuse); Behavioral therapy (positive or negative reinforcement with evil intent): ABA (autistic behavioral modifications applied to non-autistic individuals - again intent is a factor); animal abuse or senseless slaughter (not killed for food or from fear of death or other harm); elder abuse; other modifications to the human body; implants; cyborgs; tattoos; piercings; plastic surgery ("The Belles” by DJ Clayton).

- Drug and substance abuse: too many books make this seem romantic or trivial! Parents know better.

4. PROPAGANDA/PHILOSOPHICAL INAPPROPRIATENESS:

- CRT = Critical Race Theory and Culturally Responsive Training = unchecked racism without a moral message: blind hatred; promotion of anti-police sentiment; “cops murder black kids all the time for no reason” (many books by Ibram X. Kendi)

- CSE = Comprehensive Sexuality Education = a groomer’s paradise: fluid gender; promiscuity and gender and sexuality chaos; “love is love;” (“Marvin Redpost: is he a girl?” by Louis Sachar); any mentions of "trans" or "gender affirming" surgeries or hormones; chest binding or wearing a prosthetic penis; same sex relationships; same sex marriage.

- COMMON CORE (mind-numbing serfdom and inane math designed to frustrate the capable).

- SEL = Social Emotional Learning = feelings: treating feelings as facts; discussions of "my truth" versus "your truth."
- DEI = Diversity Equity and Inclusion (AKA "Didn't Earn It!") = dumbing us all down. Now also obscured as HUB (Hope, Unity, and Belonging) - either way, it's crap!
- PBIS = Positive behavior interventions and supports = accountability eliminated. Restorative justice and bail reform = another failed paradigm.
- (Devious horrors of criminal intent or hopeless failed altruism):
    1. Rarely will you stumble across an historical reference to the mathematician Hypatia, daughter of Theon of Alexandria. She is the first known female mathematician in ancient history (not that ancient - only about 1600 years ago) but instead of cheering her skills we often see books decrying that math is "hard" or "impossible." As a hated subject of study for both (as in - of two) sexes, these books promote a further disconnect from the importance of arithmetic and logic skills. The essence of "dumbing us down." See a boy's revulsion called "anti-math" in the book: "You don't know me," by David Klass. There are dozens of similar known examples for girls.
    2. Graphically detailed occasions of animal cruelty with an emphasis on the sounds or smells involved. This is how you create sociopathy. These books are not recommended: (examples will follow as I recall them). See "Almost there and almost not," by Linda Urban (with abuse of pet dog named Sprocket).

- REVISIONIST HISTORY=HISTORICAL LIES: The 1619 project; gross misrepresentations or inaccuracies (books by Howard Zinn; "Blowout" by Rachel Maddow); obfuscation of the importance of LEGAL immigration and the importance of sovereignty and the intended meaning of the second Amendment; Trump is a racist (no evidence); Lincoln freed the slaves (Lincoln commenced war that killed over half a million people of all colors and creeds); the Confederates were pro-slavery (almost none of the Confederate soldiers owned slaves!); the Southern Cross is a racist symbol (a weak modern perspective at best); promotion of Communism (tyranny/wealth redistribution); Socialism, Marxism or Globalism (shared misery).
- Criminality and promotion of any illegal acts: glorification of reckless behavior like running a gambling service in middle school ("Rookie Bookie" – retained in Kindergarten despite having no value for children) drug and alcohol abuse ("Heroine," by Mindy McGinnis – removed 2024 – after my 2-year effort); other illicit addictions; internet or other blackmail; Sexting/Sextortion a growing societal problem. Let's not make it worse!; Also, immigration fraud ("Americanah"); prostitution; sex work; drug dealing; gang activity; extortion; hitmen; mercenary soldiers; destruction or damage of historical artifacts (with or without a moral message).
- Anti-religious actions or dialogue: taking our L-rd's name in vain; burning a church; drawing pentagrams; interactions with demons and devil(s) and ghosts; demonic (or other) possession and hauntings. *AGAIN, this may not necessarily be cause for removal (age-dependent), but honest thorough Destiny summaries are crucial.

5. OTHER NON SEXUAL CONTENT:

- Medical events: Heart attacks; seizures; human experimentation/genetic engineering; mutants; electroshock therapy; dissociative Identity disorder (multiple personality disorder/bipolar disorder); anorexia/bulimia; stillbirths and miscarriages; paranoia and other mental illness; mental breakdowns; Stockholm syndrome (abused person forgives or loves abuser). anxiety/panic attacks; PTSD episodes; violent flashbacks; dysmorphia; violent

mentally ill persons (whether or not they are aware they are violent); altered or impaired consciousness; psychotic persons; roid rage; doping for sports (roids).

- Non medical events: descriptions of fatal or harmful self-sacrifice and martyrdom (“The Rainbow Fish” and “The Giving Tree”); use of non-ethnic slurs like "retard"; descriptions of the natural death of parent or child (without relevance to the plot or theme and without moral guidance); polygamy; child brides; arranged marriage(s); fascinations with razors and blades; Graphic violence in words or pictures - murderous shower scenes (as in Psycho); descriptions of someone struggling to breathe; persons soiling themselves via urination or defecation; excessive spitting or vomiting or farting (“Hoot,” by Carl Hiaasen); institutionalization (prisons/asylums); recreational use of needles or syringes or any drugs or alcohol; torture; child abuse by financial and emotional neglect.
- Non sexual nudity: Discussed pictures ("Who was Dr. Suess" and "The Boy Who Lost His Face); actual images as “art”/in cartoon form (“In the Night Kitchen” and “Draw me a Star”).
- Exposure to Death: finding a scavenged or decomposing or stiff human corpse ("The Hatchet," "The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl," and "Chanda's Wars." and “The River Between Us”); finding animal carcasses (many)
- Excessive gossip; spreading rumors (problematic authors Meg Cabot and Candace Bushnell and many others)
- Suicidal ideation - ...I'll kill myself...- (MANY! FAR TOO MANY!)
- Racial slurs beyond what's needed to convey cultural norms (some rap music has the N-word; we are told to accept this "norm" but do not need to reinforce this behavior)
- Bigotry: racism; blind senseless hatred; antisemitism (anti-Israel or anti-Zionist sentiment) such as BDS (boycott-divest-sanction); discussing the territory called Palestine (not found on any UN sponsored maps!); TROPES (ex. Jews make potato pancakes with the blood of gentile children; Jews killed Jesus...); ethnic cleansing; genocide; fat jokes; fat shaming; other senseless bullying and humiliation; joking or teasing about impaired mental capacity caused by injury (head trauma) or illness (ex. Alzheimer's).
- Nihilism: hopelessness; trivialization of morality in general; moral relativism.
- Armageddon and dystopia – at what age does this suit our children – Is it kindergarten?
- Dying pets (accidental or not - refer to "Old Yeller" and "Where the Red Fern Grows".) Both are very sad. Neither was challenged or is on my list at this time
- Romance: *Should 2nd graders have access to "romance" books? You may need to define "platonic" to resolve this query.
- Glorifying school shooters/shootings: (“The Taking of Jake Livingston,” by Ryan Douglass - removed).
- How about a book that teaches someone to be a more careful and efficient violent criminal? Yes, we have those too!

6. Suggestions

- MOVING FORWARD: The burden for this horror should be placed on the Librarians! The ALA and their proxies (or replacements) should NOT purchase any book unless they can sign off on its content and demonstrate that it is a BENEFIT to innocent children!
- Books removed from ANY Florida school for violations of law should be removed immediately from ALL Florida public schools.

- An author being found inappropriate 3 or more times should simply be disqualified!
- Many series are written such that successive volumes become more sexually or politically provocative. I suggest that any series with any volume that violates law or a well-defined community standard should disqualify the entire series. Also, any author found promoting unlawful books to children should be disqualified ("120 Banned Books," by Nicholas J. Karolides et al. – retained)
- Books associated with any award found promoting unlawful books (Stonewall; Newbery; other ALA...) should be subject to additional scrutiny *or be disqualified.
- Librarians may offer a list of their favorite books as long as the list is carefully vetted. Follett/Destiny calls this the "Collections" pages. CCDS Media Specialists have shared lists infested with porn and unsolicited theories that likely violate law and/or community standards. **Shame on them all!**

Our libraries are polluted. Our kids deserve better!