

Reporting Challenges to and Bans of Palestinian Books or Authors

Not all these organizations are responsive to or supportive of people reporting censorship or bans of books related to Palestine or interested in the silencing and cancelling of events that platform Palestinian content or people known to oppose violations of Palestinian human rights. Still, it is worth reporting challenges and attacks to create pressure for them to be inclusive. I suggest reporting to as many as possible. Keep track of what and when you reported. Keep track of the responses you get and the date, including names and screenshots. If you want to do more than report the censorship, see a list of existing toolkits for creating campaigns against censorship and book bans. Use them critically. I'm not recommending them, just making them available. Send updates to nora@noralestermurad.com.

Report attacks to the ALA

<https://www.ala.org/tools/challengesupport>

Arab American Anti-Discrimination Committee (ADC)

<https://adc.org/>

Incidents can be reported online (<https://adc.org/legal-policy/get-assistance/#scroll>) or by calling 1-202-244-2990.

Authors against Book Bans

<https://www.authorsagainstbookbans.com/>

Authors Guild

<https://authorsguild.org/>

Report: <https://authorsguild.org/>

Every Library

<https://www.everylibrary.org/>

Report: <https://www.everylibrary.org/bannedhelp>

Foundation for Individual Rights and Expression

<https://www.thefire.org/resources/submit-a-case/>

Librarians and Archivists with Palestine

<https://librarianswithpalestine.org/>

Censorship tracker: <https://librarianswithpalestine.org/campaigns-2/censorship-tracker/>

National Coalition Against Censorship (NCAC)

<https://ncac.org/>

They also offer a form to report censorship: <https://ncac.org/report-censorship>.

National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE)'s Intellectual Freedom Center

NCTE receives incident reports (<https://ncte.org/report-censorship-incident/>) about censorship in schools and school libraries.

Pen America

<https://pen.org/>

Report: <https://pen.org/book-bans/report-a-book-ban/>

Publishers for Palestine

<https://publishersforpalestine.org/2024/02/09/report-censorship-of-solidarity-with-palestine/>

Publishers for Palestine collects information about incidents of censorship or retaliation (<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdMR1ONb5JUOB2Gv9gAuOUaOLo7xifuCr208Y9eCD0CdFe--g/viewform>) for solidarity with Gaza and the Palestinian people, or simply for being Palestinian, in the spheres of writing, publishing, or bookselling.

School Library Journal

slj.com

Report: <https://www.slj.com/story/is-your-library-experiencing-censorship-SLJ-tip-line>

Toolkits and Resources

American Library Association's "Report Censorship" Toolkit

<https://www.ala.org/tools/challengesupport/share>

American Library Association's Office of Intellectual Freedom

<https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom>

National Coalition Against Censorship's Book Censorship Toolkit

<https://ncac.org/resource/book-censorship-toolkit>

National Coalition Against Censorship's School Book Challenge Resource Center

<https://ncac.org/resource/book-challenge-resource-center>

National Council of Teachers of English - Intellectual Freedom Center

<https://ncte.org/resources/ncte-intellectual-freedom-center/>