



## Why are schools removing books?

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NOW.



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1. What are these cartoons saying about a growing movement to ban some books from school libraries and classrooms?
2. Who is leading the recent drive to remove books from both schools and public libraries?
3. Which books are being banned and for what reasons?
4. What are some of the famous books that have been banned throughout history?
5. With wide differences over politics and religion, is it possible to come to a consensus over which books are appropriate?
6. Do these growing divisions also effect how subjects are taught?

### Between the lines

“What I have learned is that you actually don’t need a policy of censorship to have censorship. We’ve seen teachers removing their classroom libraries because they don’t want to be targeted, and they don’t know who will object to what.” - Kate Nazemi, a parent who organized a parade against book banning.

<https://www.inquirer.com/news/banned-books-doylestown-parade-censorship-20220925.html>

### Additional resources

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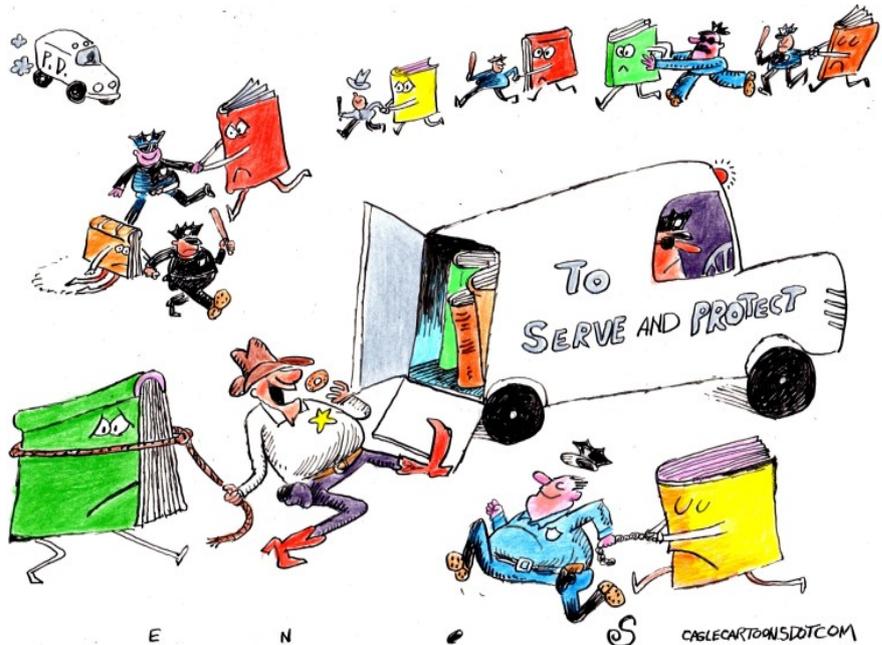
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