

THE LAW AND LIBRARY BOOKS

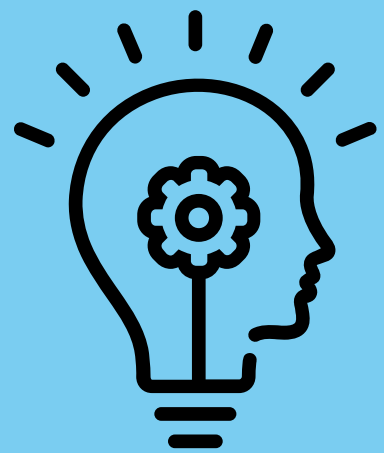
What does the Constitution say about school library books?

FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE U.S. CONSTITUTION



The United States Supreme Court has determined that students have a First Amendment right when it comes to removal of books from the shelves of a school library.

The school district may not remove materials from a library for the purpose of denying students access to ideas with which the district disagrees. The school district may remove materials because, per District policy, they are pervasively vulgar or based solely upon the educational suitability of the books in question.



WHO DECIDES?

If a library book is challenged by someone, a reconsideration committee is convened to review the book and discuss whether or not the book meets the requirements of the law and/or District policy to be removed from the shelves of the library.

BD. OF EDUC. V. PICO, 457 U.S. 853 (1982)

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