

Florida Citizens Alliance Florida Curriculum Assessment [Updated 10.2016]



This FLCA Florida curriculum analysis identifies 6 categories of specific objectionable materials found by Citizen Watchdog committees in Florida schools. The assessment was completed by teams in Collier, Lee, Charlotte, Volusia, Brevard, Marion, Lake and Okaloosa counties. Not all of these materials are in every county but they are in most because they all buy from the same major sources: Pearson PLC, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, etc,

The 6 categories are:

- English Language Arts
- Pornography
- Reconstructed History and
Advanced Placement US History (APUSH)
- Religious Indoctrination
- Political Indoctrination
- Common Core Math Methodologies



English Language Arts

Examples of Material and the associated Textbooks found in Collier, Marion, Lake and Brevard Counties. Lee, Volusia, Okaloosa and Charlotte are in the process of verifying these in their School Districts. Not every book is in every county. Results are pending from several other counties but they all buy from the same sources so these materials are pervasive.



Video by Deirdre Clemons, educator and mother of 10

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hnLoK9St4XQ>

English 3 :Florida Collections– by Houghton, Mifflin, Harcourt Published-2013, is a collection of short stories. **The overwhelming content of these types of stories and victimization, racism and bigotry are not teaching our children to be good citizens, but victims of an oppressive culture and with moral values that “anything goes”.**

Below is just a sample of req'd reading in AP English Syllabus in Collier County. It contains many, many stories teaching our children they are victims; stories of marital infidelity, promiscuity, masturbation; last thoughts as bullet enters the brain of a robber; rituals of sadism, masochism, customs of intercourse..

English 4 Honors: These are just a sample of Books- “Angela’s Ashes”, “Shitty First Drafts”, “Body Rituals among the Nacirema”.

AP Literature in Collier County contains books and short stories. Examples include stories of prostitution, lesbianism and gang rape, “The Women of Brewster Place”, etc., etc “The Awakening”, “The Bluest Eye”, “Clockwork Orange”, etc. **They materials usurp the family’s responsibility to teach family values.**

[Excerpts] **3 Minute Public Comment at Collier School Board – Subject ELA/English AP required Reading 2015** by Deirdre Clemons <http://floridacitizensalliance.com/liberty/wp-content/uploads/Deirdre-Clemons-School-Board-comments-for-ELA-materials-in-Collier-County-high-schools-R.pdf>

The materials documented in the link above are riddled with stories and books that put young children into first person readers as victims. These materials include stories depicting ‘victims’ of capitalism, and the bigoted, sexist, racist American culture where whites victimize Indians, Mexican immigrants, women, Japanese, Chinese, African-American, and animals/, and far too many even include stories of prostitution, a lesbian relationship, and a gang rape.

Conclusion of Clemons School Board Comments :*“This is why we need parents to play a primary role. To make sure that our kids are not being immersed in materials that are age-inappropriate and in direct opposition to parent’s values.*

I would like to suggest, since we have differing views, we implement a ratings system- like we have with movies and video games. Parents need to be warned so that they may decide what is appropriate for their child, and then, give permission for what they will allow their underage child to be exposed to. We need healthy classic alternatives.

Parents need to insist on their rights as the primary educators of their children, directing what should and should not be taught. After all, we are the experts on raising our own children, especially concerning what is healthy and beneficial for the growth and development of young hearts and minds. Deirdre Clemons”

Other Counties confirming many of these materials are in their School System!

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Objectionable Materials Pornography

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Pornography: 2015 Recommended Summer Reading List For 11 Yr. Olds And Up In Collier PS

There were over 60 books with soft or hard core porn on the 11st Recommended for young children , beginning with 6th Graders.

One Example: Title: Beautiful Bastard, Author: Christina Lauren

"He leaned close enough to bite my shoulder, whispering, 'You fucking tease.'" Unable to get close enough, I quickened my pace on his zipper, shoving his pants and his boxers to the floor. I gave his cock a hard squeeze, feeling him pulse against my palm. He forced my skirt up my thighs and pushed me back on the conference table. Before I could utter a single word, he took hold of my ankles, grabbed his cock, and took a step forward, thrusting deep inside me. I couldn't even be horrified by the loud moan I let out – he felt better than anything. 'What's that?' he hissed through his clenched teeth, his hips slapping against my thighs, driving him deep inside. 'Never been fucked like this before, have you? You wouldn't be such a tease if you were being properly fucked.

This reading list was removed after a Press Conference but parents THEN gave us additional examples below found throughout the Collier System. Collier School Board is now defending these without age-appropriate controls and the knowledge of the parents. Most of these 6 books have been verified in many counties throughout Florida.



The Truth About Alice, Author: Jennifer Mathieu Author: Roaring Book Press-2014

About the book": *Winner of the Children's Choice Book Awards' Teen Choice Debut Author Award Everyone knows Alice slept with two guys at one party. When Healy High star quarterback, Brandon Fitzsimmons, dies in a car crash, it was because he was sexting with Alice. Ask "anybody." Rumor has it Alice Franklin is a slut. It's written all over the "slut stall" in the girls' bathroom: "Alice had sex in exchange for math test answers" and "Alice got an abortion last semester." After Brandon dies, the rumors start to spiral out of control. In this remarkable debut novel, four Healy High students tell all they "know" about Alice—and in doing so reveal their own secrets and motivations, painting a raw look at the realities of teen life. But in this novel from Jennifer Mathieu, exactly what is the truth about Alice? In the end there's only one person to ask: Alice herself.*

Issues: This book is still on the Florida top 10 recommended list for middle schoolers and still on the Sunshine Reader List. for 6th graders and up in Collier County for Summer of 2015. The book glorifies teen sex as standard practice and perpetuated the notion that children are victims. It violates the intent if not the letter of FS 847.011. By most moral standards it is certainly age-inappropriate for 11 year olds. The public school system should NOT be promoting this material.

Books available in the Collier County Public School Media Centers with no age appropriate controls.

<http://goo.gl/VRCRiE>. In fact the school districts response was to prohibit public access to all materials unless a parent has a student in the specific grade.

"The Bluest Eye" by Toni Morrison (graphic depictions of incest between father and daughter, rape, violence) – RATED YOUNG ADULT Page 181: *"The little girls are the only things I'll miss. Do you know that when I touched their sturdy little t*** and bit them—just a little—I felt I was being friendly?—If I'd been hurting them, would they have come back? . . . they'd eat ice cream with their legs open while I played with them. It was like a party."* Pages 84-85: *"He must enter her surreptitiously, lifting the hem of her nightgown only to her navel. He must rest his weight on his elbows when they make love, to avoid hurting her breasts...When she senses some spasm about to grip him, she will make rapid movements with her hips, press her fingernails into his back, suck in her breath, and pretend she is having an orgasm. She might wonder again, for the six hundredth time, what it would be like to have that feeling while her husband's penis is inside her."* **Available in media centers at Gulf Coast HS, Naples HS East Naples HS Golden Gate HS Lely HS (2 copies) Palmetto Ridge HS (2 copies) Immokalee HS (18 copies)**

"Beloved" by Toni Morrison .It contains steamy sex, sex for favors, white guard forces male black prisoner to perform oral sex on him calling it 'breakfast', black slave mother kills her infants by decapitating her daughter with a handsaw and then attempts to kill her 3 sons.)- IT also includes 3 references to males sexually molesting animals in this. –RATED YOUNG ADULT **Available in media centers Corkscrew MIDDLE SCHOOL Gulf Coast HS Barron Collier HS Naples HS Lely HS (2 copies) Palmetto Ridge HS Golden Gate HS (2 copies) Immokalee HS (3 copies) Lorenzo Walker**

"The Truth About Alice" by Jennifer Mathieu. The story starts talking about a girl (Alice) who slept with two boys within 5 minutes of each other in a bedroom at the narrator's house- who also admits to "messing around" with one of the boys. Alice is referred to as a 'slut' in the book, and accused of being guilty of the death of one of the boys. NOT RATED. **Available media centers Naples HS Lorenzo Walker**

"Dreaming in Cuban" by Christina Garcia. (highly descriptive sex scenes)- RATED ADULT Below is an excerpt out of the book *Dreaming in Cuban* by Cristina Garcia. This book was recommended by Common Core Curriculum. The following excerpt is taken from page 80: *"Hugo and Felicia stripped in their room, dissolving easily into one another, and made love against the whitewashed walls. Hugo bit Felicia's breast and left purplish bands of bruises on her upper thighs. He knelt before her in the tub and massaged black Spanish soap between her legs. He entered her repeatedly from behind. "Felicia learned what pleased him. She tied his arms above his head with their underclothing and slapping him sharply when he asked. "You're my bitch," Hugo said, groaning. "In the morning he left, promising to return in the summer.* **Available in media centers at Gulf Coast HS Naples HS Palmetto HS Immokalee HS**

"Killing Mr. Griffin" by Lois Duncan. Kids kidnap, tie up, and torture their 'strict' teacher. Then later, while tied up and abandoned, he dies from a heart attack. RATED YOUNG ADULT (grade 7 or reading level gr.6) **Available at media centers at Pine Ridge MIDDLE SCHOOL (3 copies) Oakridge MIDDLE SCHOOL Corkscrew MIDDLE SCHOOL Cypress MIDDLE SCHOOL Manatee MIDDLE SCHOOL Gulf Coast HS Barron Collier HS (2 copies) Naples HS Lely HS (3 copies) Golden Gate HS Palmetto HS Immokalee HS Everglades HS Lorenzo Walker**

"The Vincent Boys" By Abbi Glines. A book with searing sex scenes about a teen tired of being a good girl; decides to try seduction. RATED YOUNG ADULT . **Available at media centers in Gulf Coast HS and Naples HS "**

"Almost Perfect" by Brian Katcher. transgender themes and teens having sex- RATED YOUNG ADULT **Available at media centers Gulf Coast HS, Naples HS, Barron Collier HS Lely HS (2), Immokalee HS (2 copies) Over 228 titles with LBGTQT themes such as "Being Homosexual" by Richard Isay containing sexual behavior and homoerotic fantasies of heterosexual men).**

[You Tube of 3 Collier parents](#) , exposing this material to the Collier school Board, who refused to act.

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Reconstructed/ Revisionist History

These books validated in Collier, Lee, Lake and Marion County. Similar reviews in other counties are in process. The likelihood is very high they exist through-out many of the districts because they all buy from the same sources.

Out of Many: Authors: Faragher, Buhle, Czitrom, Armitage Publisher: Pearson **Lee County**

The book has 4 authors so we don't know who wrote any of it. One author, Buhle, has a background showing extreme left bias. She authored "Women and American Socialism," "Feminism and its Discontents," "A Century of Struggle with Psychoanalysis" and is the co-editor of the "Encyclopedia of the American Left." Armitage also has that bias. They all seem to focus on the negative aspects of American history, class struggles, oppression and prejudice, rather than the hope, opportunity and justice of America.

This is confirmed by the review of this book in the College Board Web Site itself, which says, "Teachers considering the purchase of Out of Many should be aware that the book has become part of the textbook culture wars. Traditionalists who want democracy and free enterprise presented more favorably are bothered by what they see at left-leaning texts that pay too much attention to the dark side of American history. These individuals put Out of Many in this category."

<http://goo.gl/xhP9o9>

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Modern World History, 9th Grade Teacher Edition Year: 2013

Author: Holt McDougal Publisher: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

The most objectionable portions of the book were the sections on the American Revolution and Founding Principles. In the discussion of the Articles of Confederation, the commentary distorts the extensive back and forth between the Federalists and the Anti-Federalists

-no mention of the 13 colonies declaring their independence as 13 independent Nation States, each with powers of the other nations states of Britain, France, etc.

-no mention of the US Constitution being a legal document that created the federal government

-No mention that the federal government was a product of this legal compact and not a signer or ratifier of the compact.

-No mention that this legal compact delegated only 18 well-defined and very limited powers in Article 1, sec 8

- Minimal mention of the extensive debates that led to the Bill of Rights and particularly why we have a 9th and 10th amendment.

- Grossly miss-represented the Federalist position/Stating " colonial leaders eventually recognized the need for a strong national government" -Not true- our Constitution was carefully crafted to limit federal government powers!

[\[Full review\]](#)

Brainwashing and Indoctrination of Our Children- US History

by Deidre Clemons, educator and mother of 10

[Excellent Video](#) that documents many specific examples in several text books

Do you know what is being taught to our impressionable children! Each has a live link to the facts.

[Thanksgiving is a hurtful Holiday](#) it offends the American Indian.

[What it means to be an American](#) -Everyone who wants to be is regardless of where they live.

[Socialism vs Capitalism](#) - very biased few in favor of European Socialism/values

[Gorbachev responsible](#)-for bring down East Berlin Wall, no mention of Reagan.

[World History- Ancient Civilization](#): Author” Holt McDougal, Publisher: Houghton, Mifflin, Harcourt. This book is full of factual errors and half-truths .