



## PODCAST: Managing Controversial Books in School Libraries

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In this episode of Gavels & Gowns, an Education Law podcast, co-hosts Micah Schwartz and Hal Johnson discuss community requests to remove controversial books from local school libraries. They highlight the lack of clear federal or state law governing this area, emphasizing that school boards have the power to decide library content based on pedagogical concerns rather than personal viewpoints. They also stress the importance of having a formal process in place for book removal decisions.

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