



# Hernando School District

## Special School Board Meeting

### Agenda - Final

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Tuesday, May 7, 2024

8:30 AM

District Office - Board Room

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#### CALL TO ORDER

#### REFLECTION

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

1. [24-2266](#) Approval to adopt the agenda dated 5/7/2024.

#### CITIZEN INPUT ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS (WHITE FORMS)

#### PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS - BOOK CHALLENGES

2. [24-2192](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to remove the book, "Damsel" written by Elana Arnold, from circulation and not be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 42 DAMSEL REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AND ARTIFACTS 047 23 M4L HHS](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR DAMSEL](#)  
[CHALLENGE 42 DAMSEL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM 047 23 M4L HHS](#)  
[CHALLENGE 42 RESPONSE FOR DAMSEL 047 23 M4L HHS](#)  
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3. [24-2194](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to remove the book, "Felix Ever After" written by Kacen Callender, from circulation and not be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 49 REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FOR FELIX EVER AFTER 054 23 M4L HHS](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR FELIX EVER AFTER](#)  
[CHALLENGE 49 FELIX EVER AFTER COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM 054 23 M4L HHS](#)  
[CHALLENGE 49 FELIX EVER AFTER RESPONSE 054 23 HHS M4L](#)  
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4. [24-2195](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to remove the book, "House of Earth and Blood" written by Sarah Maas, from circulation and not be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 98 HOUSE OF EARTH AND BLOOD REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AND ARTIFACTS CHS 0109 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 98 HOUSE OF EARTH AND BLOOD DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS](#)  
[CHALLENGE 98 HOUSE OF EARTH AND BLOOD COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM CHS 0109 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 98 HOUSE OF EARTH AND BLOOD RESPONSE 0109 23 M4L CHS](#)  
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5. [24-2197](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to remove the book, "Homegoing" written by Yaa Gyasi, from circulation and not be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 44 HOMEGOING REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FORM AND ARTIFACTS 049 23 HHS M4L](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR HOMEGOING](#)  
[CHALLENGE 44 HOMEGOING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM 049 23 HHS M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 44 HOMEGOING RESPONSE 049 23 HHS M4L](#)  
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6. [24-2200](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to remove the book, "Red Hood" written by Elana Arnold, from circulation and not be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 46 RED HOOD REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FORM AND ARTIFACTS HHS 051 23 M4L](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR RED HOOD AT HHS](#)  
[CHALLENGE 46 RED HOOD COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM HHS 051 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 46 RED HOOD RESPONSE 051 23 HHS M4L](#)  
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7. [24-2201](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to remove the book, "Beautiful" written by Amy Reed, from circulation and not be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 103 BEAUTIFUL REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FORM AND ARTIFACTS CHS 0114 23 M4L](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR BEAUTIFUL](#)  
[CHALLENGE 103 BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM CHS 0114 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 103 BEAUTIFUL RESPONSE 0114 23 M4L CHS](#)  
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8. [24-2202](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to remove the book, "Boy Toy" written by Barry Lyga, from circulation and not be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 96 BOY TOY REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AND ARTIFACTS WWHS 0107 23 M4L](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR BOY TOY AT WWHS](#)  
[CHALLENGE 96 BOY TOY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM WWHS 0107 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 96 BOY TOY RESPONSE 0107 23 WWHS M4L](#)  
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9. [24-2217](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to remove the book, "Man O' War" written by Cory McCarthy, from circulation and not be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 47 MAN O WAR REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AND ARTIFACTS HHS 052 23 M4L](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR MAN O WAR AT HHS](#)  
[CHALLENGE 47 MAN O WAR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM HHS 052 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 47 MAN O WAR RESPONSE 052 23 HHS M4L](#)  
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10. [24-2233](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "Cemetery Boys" written by Aiden Thomas, in circulation and be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 48 CEMETERY BOYS REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FORM and ARTIFACTS 053 23 M4L HHS](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS CEMETERY BOYS](#)  
[CHALLENGE 48 CEMETERY BOYS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM 053 23 M4L HHS](#)  
[CHALLENGE 48 CEMETERY BOYS RESPONSE 053 23 M4L HHS](#)  
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11. [24-2237](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "Forever" written by Judy Blume, in circulation and be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 60 FOREVER REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION and ARTIFACTS 067 23 NCTHS M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 61 FOREVER REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION and ARTIFACTS 069 23 CHS M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 62 FOREVER REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION and ARTIFACTS 070 23 WWHS M4L](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR FOREVER FOREVER COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM](#)  
[CHALLENGES 60 61 and 62 RESPONSE FOR FOREVER NCTHS CHS WWHS](#)  
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12. [24-2241](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "Nineteen Minutes" written by Jodi Picoult, in circulation and be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 89 NINETEEN MINUTES REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AND ARTIFACTS 0100 23 M4L SHS](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR NINETEEN MINUTES NINETEEN MINUTES COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM 0100 23 M4L SHS](#)  
[CHALLENGE 89 NINETEEN MINUTES RESPONSE SHS 0100 23 M4L](#)  
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13. [24-2242](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "Kingdom of Ash" written by Sarah Maas, in circulation and be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 99 KINGDOM OF ASH REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FORM and ARTIFACTS 0110 23 M4L CHS](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR KINGDOM OF ASH CHALLENGE 99 KINGDOM OF ASH COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM 0110 23 M4L CHS](#)  
[CHALLENGE 99 KINGDOM OF ASH RESPONSE 0110 23 M4L CHS](#)  
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14. [24-2243](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "Spinning" written by Tillie Walden, in circulation and be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 51 SPINNING REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FORM and ARTIFACTS 056 23 M4L HHS](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR SPINNING](#)  
[CHALLENGE 51 SPINNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM HHS 056 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 51 SPINNING RESPONSE 056 23 M4L HHS](#)  
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15. [24-2244](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "Little and Lion" written by Brandy Colbert, in circulation and be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 86 LITTLE AND LION REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FORM AND ARTIFACTS HHS 096 23 M4L \(1\)](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR LITTLE AND LION](#)  
[CHALLENGE 86 LITTLE AND LION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM HHS 096 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 86 LITTLE AND LION RESPONSE 096 23 M4L HHS](#)  
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16. [24-2245](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "A Court of Thorns and Roses" written by Sarah Maas, in circulation and be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 100 A COURT OF THORNS AND ROSES REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FORM and ARTIFACTS AT CHS 0111 23 M4L](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR A COURT OF THORNS AND ROSES](#)  
[CHALLENGE 100 A COURT OF THORNS AND ROSES COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM CHS 0111 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 100 A COURT OF THORNS AND ROSES RESPONSE 0111 23 M4L CHS](#)  
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17. [24-2246](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "Opposite of Innocent" written by Sonya Sones, in circulation and be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 90 OPPOSITE OF INNOCENT REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AND ARTIFACTS HHS 0101 23 M4L](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR OPPOSITE OF INNOCENT](#)  
[CHALLENGE 90 OPPOSITE OF INNOCENT COMMITTEE](#)  
[RECOMMENDATION FORM HHS 0101 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 90 OPPOSITE OF INNOCENT RESPONSE 0101 23 HHS](#)  
[M4L](#)  
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18. [24-2250](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "Chosen" written by P.C. Cast and Kristin Cast, in circulation and be made available to students in Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 85 CHOSEN REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION and](#)  
[ARTIFACTS NCTHS 094 23 M4L](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR CHOSEN AT NCTHS](#)  
[CHALLENGE 85 CHOSEN COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION](#)  
[FORM NCTHS 094 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 85 CHOSEN RESPONSE 094 23 M4L NCTHS](#)  
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19. [24-2235](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "Life Is Funny" written by E.R. Frank, in circulation and be made available to students in grades 9-12 in Hernando County High Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 53 LIFE IS FUNNY FORM AND ARTIFACTS 059 23](#)  
[M4L NCTHS](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS LIFE IS FUNNY NCTHS](#)  
[LIFE IS FUNNY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM AT](#)  
[NCTHS 059 23](#)  
[CHALLENGE 53 RESPONSE FOR LIFE IS FUNNY AT NCTHS 059 23](#)  
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20. [24-2236](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "Life Is Funny" written by E.R. Frank, in circulation, but limit access to students in grade 8 at the middle school level for Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 80 LIFE IS FUNNY REQUEST FOR](#)  
[RECONSIDERATION AND ARTIFACTS 089 23 CK8 M4L](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS LIFE IS FUNNY NCTHS](#)  
[CHALLENGE 80 LIFE IS FUNNY COMMITTEE](#)  
[RECOMMENDATION FORM AT CK8 089 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 80 LIFE IS FUNNY RESPONSE 089 23 M4L CK8](#)  
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21. [24-2239](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "Queen of Shadows" written by Sarah Maas, in circulation and be made available to students in grades 9-12 in Hernando County High Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 71 QUEEN OF SHADOWS REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FORM and ARTIFACTS CHS 079 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 72 QUEEN OF SHADOWS REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FORM and ARTIFACTS WWHS 080 23 M4L](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR QUEEN OF SHADOWS HIGH SCHOOL](#)  
[CHALLENGES 71 and 72 QUEEN OF SHADOWS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM 079 83 CHS and 080 23 WWHS M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGES 71 and 72 QUEEN OF SHADOWS RESPONSE 079 23 CHS 080 23 WWHS M4L](#)  
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22. [24-2240](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "Queen of Shadows" written by Sarah Maas, in circulation and be made available to students in grades 6-8 in Hernando County Middle Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 52 QUEEN OF SHADOWS REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FORM and ARTIFACTS CK8 058 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 70 QUEEN OF SHADOWS REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FORM and ARTIFACTS DSPMS 078 23 M4L](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR QUEEN OF SHADOWS MIDDLE SCHOOL](#)  
[CHALLENGES 52 and 70 QUEEN OF SHADOWS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM CK8 058 23 DSPMS 078 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGES 52 and 70 QUEEN OF SHADOWS RESPONSE 058 23 CK8 and 07823 DSPMS M4L](#)  
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23. [24-2247](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "Tower of Dawn" written by Sarah Maas, in circulation and be made available to students in grades 9-12 in Hernando County High Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 92 TOWER OF DAWN REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AND ARTIFACTS CHS 0103 23 M4L HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL](#)  
[DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR TOWER OF DAWN CHS](#)  
[CHALLENGE 92 TOWER OF DAWN COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM CHS 0103 23 M4L](#)  
[CHALLENGE 92 TOWER OF DAWN RESPONSE 0103 23 M4L CHS](#)  
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24. [24-2248](#) Public Hearing and Final Approval of the Committee's Recommendation to keep the book, "Tower of Dawn" written by Sarah Maas, in circulation, but limit access to students in grade 8 at the middle school level for Hernando County Schools.

**Attachments:** [CHALLENGE 91 TOWER OF DAWN REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FORM and ARTIFACTS CK8 0102 23 M4L MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVEL DISTRICT MEDIA PEER REVIEWS FOR CK8 CHALLENGE 91 TOWER OF DAWN COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FORM FOR CK8 0102 23 M4L CHALLENGE 91 TOWER OF DAWN RESPONSE 0102 23 M4L CK8 Budget Sheet Sept 2021 Revised NO Financial Impact ACC](#)

**GENERAL COUNSEL**

**SCHOOL BOARD COMMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mission Statement

The Hernando County School District Collaborates with students, parents and other community stakeholders to effectively prepare all students for a successful transition into a diverse and changing world.

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