



MOMS FOR LIBERTY – HERNANDO COUNTY CHAPTER CURRICULUM & MATERIALS REVIEW COMMITTEE

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RE: NCTHS “Eleanor and Park” (M4LHC –
068-/2023)

October 18, 2023

Hernando County School District,

You will find an attached official challenge request from (M4LHC 068-23) for “*Eleanor and Park*” which is currently located at Nature Coast Technical High School’s media center. This book was discovered back on July 22, 2023.

“Eleanor and Park” contains sexual age-inappropriate, excessive **profanity; and racism remarks**.

The actions of the media specialist or administrative staff in selecting this book currently violates H.B 467 s. 847.012 (b) that media specialists are responsible for selecting books free of pornographic and sexually explicit materials. Furthermore, the Hernando County School District is also in violation of H.B 1557 for teaching and/ or introducing sexual orientation and gender identity to children, as well as multiple provisions of H.B. 1069.

As the newly elected Committee Chair for the Curriculum and Materials Review Committee of the Hernando County Chapter of Moms for Liberty, I remind you that besides the District of Hernando County Schools being in violation, it is not the responsibility of the District or any staff employed by the District to make a decision concerning these mature topics. District Staff should not be encouraging minors to read a book for adults only.

In closing, I’m calling on the Hernando County School Board to remove this book, from Nature Coast Technical High School effective immediately, and in accordance with District Policy (*Media Specialist Handbook*), and H.B. 1069 which both clearly state that books can’t be “disappeared” (*i.e., hidden*) but instead properly disposed of not only through steps outlined in the Media Specialist Handbook regarding the disposal of books, but also accurately noted as disposed of in Alexandria as outlined in H.B. 1069.

In Liberty,

Julia Thomas

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

Request for Reconsideration of Media Materials/Instructional Materials

Instructions: Complete and return this form with all materials to be reviewed.

Please type or print..

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL APPLICABLE INFORMATION:

Have you read or viewed the entire material? Yes

Request Initiated by (first and last name) JT

Address : PO Box 1568 City Brooksville State FL Zip Code 34605

Telephone _____ Email (optional)

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Date of Request: October 18, 2023 Author: Rainbow Rowell

Title: Eleanor and Park

Publisher, Date of Publication/Production, Type of Media: St. Martin's Griffen
2013

School(s) in which item is used: Nature Coast Technical High School

What first prompted your concern? Please See Attached

To what in the material do you object? (Please be specific, cite pages, frames, etc. Attach additional pages if necessary) Please See Attached

Are you aware of the judgement of this educational material by literary and/or authoritative critics?

Yes X No _____

If yes, where? Name and date of publication: GoodReads 2013, 2020

Complainant's Signature

Julia Thomas

Date October 18, 2023

ELEANOR AND PARK



Summary of Concerns:

This book contains sexual activities; excessive/frequent profanity; and hate involving racism.

Young Adult

By Rainbow Rowell

ISBN: 1-25001257-0

978-6-07-112864-5

CONTENT WARNING

You are about to access material that may contain content of an ADULT nature. These files may include pictures and materials that some viewers may find offensive. If you are under the age of 18, or if such material offends you or if it is illegal for you to view these materials, please exit now.

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Minor Restricted
BookLooks Review Rating

Page	Content
74	Jesus. Was it possible to rape somebody's hand?
75	She'd already finished her homework. Some creep had written do I make you wet on her geography book, so she spent a really long time covering it up with a black ink pen.
88	Eleanor looked down. Crap. Whoever wrote that gross thing on her geography book had written on her history book, too. Suck me off it said in ugly blue letters.
174	And then he noticed something else. Written just as small, just as carefully, in all lowercase letters. i know you're a slut you smell like cum
281	do i make you wet?...
283	Eleanor listened to Steve sing song after song over the wet hammer of her heartbeat. The beer can went warm in her hand. i know your a slut you smell like cum

Profanity/Derogatory Terms	Count
Ass	7
Bitch	10
Chink	1
Dick	2
Fag	1
Fuck	62
Goddamn	4
Piss	7
Pussy	3
Shit	8
Tit	1

Universal Book Content (UBC) Rating

0	1	2	3	4	5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mild Non-Explicit Violence No Nudity No Profanity No References to Sexual Activities No Drug or Alcohol Use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mild Non-Explicit Violence Non-Sexual Nudity No Profanity No References to Sexual Activities Mentioning of Drug or Alcohol Use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moderate Violence Non-Sexual Nudity Moderate Profanity Inexplicit Sexual Activities Drug or Alcohol Use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explicit Violence Sexual Nudity Explicit or Frequent Use of Profanity Sexual Activities <small>No penetration, cunnilingus, fellatio, or ejaculation</small> Drug or Alcohol Abuse 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aberrant Violence Explicit Sexual Activities <small>Ejaculation and Sexual Penetration (oral, anal, vaginal, fingering)</small> Explicit or Frequent use of Profanity Aberrant Drug or Alcohol Abuse 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explicit References to Aberrant Sexual Activities
Appropriate for all audiences	Might have minor issues for young readers	Suggested minimum younger teen	Suggested minimum older teen	Definitely adult only content	Might be arrested for reading at school board meetings



