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Sorry! I misread it and sent it to Cassie first. I was supposed to send it to this email. I have already submitted reconsideration requests with my district, month after month, but I believe that they need to be more proactive and so I am escalating it with suggestions that may help them take this problem more seriously.

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Subject: Davis School District continues to provide pornographic literature to children

Dear USBE Parent Hotline,

Despite a [law being passed in 2022](#) that "descriptions or depictions of illicit sex or sexual immorality" have no serious value to minors, Davis School District continues to make illegal content available to minors. Due to my consistently discovering illegal books month after month, I am left to conclude that they have not been sufficiently proactive in discovering and removing it, nor alerting parents to the reports which could be used to opt their child out of harmful content. I have attached screenshots below showing that the schools have the content in their libraries, and attached reports, which show illegal content.

I have offered to work with my district to help train the librarians on the many resources they can use to find illegal content, but was told that the librarians are already too busy. I am hoping that the USBE may want to create a solution as the schools cannot find the time or resources to protect children from harmful, addictive and illegal content. I assert that [matters of mental health and lifetime addiction](#) are no trivial matter and should be considered worth the time and energy to prevent. It is absurd that schools are allowed to break the law until parents call them out on it.

Another concerning lack of action is the delay in returning results on challenges. There are book challenges from 5/13, and two from 5/25 that still have not reported any results. Tooele school district has also been failing to report results on challenges in a timely matter, and I fear it is due to not wanting to report to the USBE and therefore contribute to the statewide removal law.

I have some suggestions. I would like to see offending districts, meaning districts that are found to have illegal content, be required to enroll their librarians in an "Illegal book detection" training and commit to one hour a month serving in this capacity. The process isn't difficult, and many hands make light work. If librarians are not open to protecting children, then new librarians should take their place. **For potentially illegal books, such as books rated a 3, which is equivalent to an R rating, objective reports with page numbers and excerpts, such as ours, should be listed on the website so parents can opt their children out of checking out these books.** Having an opt-out policy without any way to see what they would be opting them out of is just a jest at transparency. I can provide a list of rated 3 books, as well. You can view all of our reports on my website, RatedBooks.org.

Schools can and should do better, but it appears they need more motivation than just the health of children or the opportunity to do right by them and their parents. A monetary fine may also work to motivate them, and could be used to fund a separate entity that reviews these books for them.

Please help districts follow the law, and be more proactive and transparent in this process. They are failing to protect our children.

Sincerely,

Brooke Stephens

Below are the reports of books I have found just last week, and does not include books from past months. I can provide those if requested. Some are even worse. Unfortunately, I have found I cannot paste anything in these emails or it will be rejected. But it's not rejected from being given to kids.

Americanah	Chimamanda N Adichie	https://tinyurl.com/3pc6hxyz
Eat, Pray, Love	Elizabeth Gilbert	https://tinyurl.com/mpsevrpr
Brave New World (Book)	Aldous Huxley	https://tinyurl.com/mtj3usyd
Lonesome Dove	Larry McMurtry	https://tinyurl.com/ypsmxuah
Bronxwood	Coe Booth	https://tinyurl.com/yc5xfm2a
Rainbow Boys	Alex Sanchez	https://tinyurl.com/3wsf4arb
The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo (sex between adult and a minor)	Taylor Jenkins Reid	https://tinyurl.com/4z7ekutr
Rabbit & Robot	Andrew Smith	https://tinyurl.com/42jdj9ub