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Ms. Danielle DuClos
K-12 Education Reporter
USA NETWORK - Wisconsin

Re: Public Records Request

Dear Ms. DuClos:

This is in response to your public records request of August 9, 2023 (and follow-up on September 14) stated as follows:

- **Between 2019 and present, any books that were requested to be removed from instructional materials or libraries and were completely removed from a school's available materials or restricted to specific grade levels.**

The District did not receive any formal requests for removal of books during the period noted in your request. Construing your request liberally as required by the Public Records Law, however, the District has received individual requests to "review" select books. These review requests were consolidated with the District's existing annual auditing process which examines publication dates, circulation numbers, updated reviews and other considerations such as criteria from the American Library Association.

As a result of the combined review, the following books were ultimately removed:

Books removed from Bay Port High School Library and Reason:

- Deogratias: A Tale of Rwanda (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)
- Almost Perfect (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)
- Lolita (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)
- Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)
- What Can't Wait (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)
- Nineteen Minutes (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)
- Real Live Boyfriends (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)
- Rainbow High (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)
- The Art of Racing in the Rain (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)
- Crank (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)
- Beloved (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)

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- Tricks (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)
- Almost Perfect (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)
- Sloppy Firsts (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)
- Outlander (Removed from BP - Publication Date & Low Circulation)
- The Bluest Eye (Removed from BP - Low Circulation)
- The Carnival at Bray (Removed from BP - Low Circulation)
- More Happy than Not (Removed from BP - Low Circulation)
- Beyond Magenta (Removed from BP - Low Circulation)
- Marriage of a Thousand Lies (Removed from BP - Due to Reviews by Committee)
- A Court of Mist and Fury (Removed from BP - Due to Reviews by Committee)
- A Court of Thorns and Roses (Removed from BP - Due to Reviews by Committee)
- A Court of Silver Flames (Removed from BP - Due to Reviews by Committee)
- A Court of Frost Starlight (Removed from BP - Due to Reviews by Committee)
- A Court of Wings and Ruin (Removed from BP - Due to Reviews by Committee)

Books removed from Bay View Middle School and Reason:

- What can't wait (Removed from BV - Only E-book - Low Circulation)
 - Looking for Alaska (Removed from BV & LV - Only E-Book - Low Circulation)
 - L8r, g8r (Removed from BV - Age & Low Circulation)
 - The Kite Runner (Removed from BV - Due to Age Appropriate Reviews)
 - The Perks of Being a Wallflower (Removed from BV - Due to Age Appropriate Reviews)
 - Thirteen Reasons Why (Removed from BV - Due to Age Appropriate Reviews)
 - The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian (Removed from BV - Due to Age Appropriate Reviews)
- *Accidentally omitted from previous request.

Books removed from Elementary Schools and Reason:

- Drama (Removed from Elementary Schools - Due to Age Appropriate Reviews)
- Something Happened in Our Town: A Child's Story About Racial Injustice (Removed from Elementary Schools - Due to Age Appropriate Reviews)

Please contact me if you have any questions as to this response.

Sincerely,

HOWARD-SUAMICO SCHOOL DISTRICT

Damian LaCroix, Superintendent