

Dear Honorable Members of the Maryland General Assembly,

I am strongly in favor of HB0282 with an amendment that would include books with sexually explicit language. I reside in Frederick County, and I have been an advocate for the removal of these pervasively vulgar, sexually obscene books since I discovered that Frederick County Public Schools (FCPS) had many of them in their library system. It is inconceivable that our county is forcing taxpayers to pay for these filthy books, which, if read aloud, would make a grown man blush, and then allowing schools to put them in front of our children. These books are not educational; they are rubbish!

Two years ago, 35 sexually explicit books were challenged in FCPS. Despite significant public outcry and a Frederick News-Post survey showing that 70% of residents disapprove of these books being in schools, Superintendent Dyson approved all but one, which was factually incorrect. Below are three examples of these books. Please vote in favor of HB0282 and help us restore common sense and decency in our public school systems.

- “Jack of Hearts and Other Parts” by L.C. Rosen: [tinyurl.com/mpcm24mx](http://tinyurl.com/mpcm24mx)
- “It’s Perfectly Normal, 5th Edition” by By Robie H. Harris and Michael Emberley, promoted by Planned Parenthood: [tinyurl.com/ms97jsyk](http://tinyurl.com/ms97jsyk)
- “Push” by Sapphire: [tinyurl.com/yz2tak2c](http://tinyurl.com/yz2tak2c)

Sincerely,

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