



## THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY

### Ad Hoc Challenge Materials Committee Meeting

April 5, 2022

10:00 AM

Curriculum Resource Room

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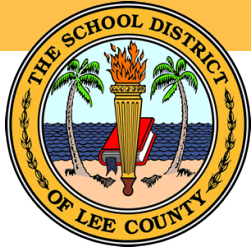
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## AGENDA

- Review of Challenge to Instructional and/or Media Materials Process
- Challenged Materials
  - More Happy Than Not by A. Silvera
  - The Family Book by T. Parr
  - Truth About Alice by J. Mathieu
- Good of the Order

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## Committee Response Challenge to Instructional and/or Media Materials

**Committee Meeting Date:** April 5, 2022

**Date Challenge to Instruction and/or Media Materials Form Received:** Per Ad Hoc committee, a recommendation was made January 24, 2022, to review the email from [REDACTED] (sent 10/14/21) with a list of materials, reviewed by the Florida Citizens Alliance, based upon citation of objections referencing violation of State Statute FS 847.012. No form was officially submitted for individual books.

***NOTE: To be in compliance with Board Policies, complainant submitted a Challenge Form. See pages 4-5 of this response document.***

**Submitted by:** [REDACTED]

**Challenged Material:** Truth About Alice by: Jennifer Mathieu

**Complainant:** Book is being challenged per FS 847.012.

**Decision:**

- Recommend continued use of challenged material as instructional materials and for media circulation
- Recommend continued use for media circulation only
- Recommend continued use for instructional purposes only
- Recommend continued use of challenged material with the following guidelines:  
This book is approved for media circulation only at school sites serving 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students. In addition, this book is only approved for ninth grade and beyond.
- Recommend to discontinue use of challenged material during instruction and remove from media circulation



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### **Additional Comments and/or Notes:**

While this book is in media circulation, it is not included in current district curriculum or coursework. Parents may exercise their parental rights within the Parent Bill of Rights and submit an individual request to their child's school for an alert to be placed on the child's Destiny account, identifying the book as prohibited for media checkout.

### Voting Committee Members in Attendance:

Director of Elementary School Curriculum & Instruction

Director of High School Curriculum & Instruction

Secondary Coordinator of Reading

School-based Administrator Representative

Diversity & Inclusion Representative

### Non-Voting Committee Members in Attendance:

Coordinator for Instructional Technology and Instructional Materials - Facilitator

Content Specialist for Instructional Technology and Instructional Materials - Recorder



# Challenge to Instructional and/or Media Material

School or District: Lee County Public Schools Date: June 15, 2022

Please check type of instructional material:

Book: \_\_\_\_\_  AV (Video, CD, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_ Other (Identify): \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Truth About Alice

Author: J. Mathieu

Publisher or Producer: \_\_\_\_\_

Request initiated by name: [REDACTED]

Student Name: N/A

Telephone Address: [REDACTED]

City: [REDACTED] State: [REDACTED] Zip Code: [REDACTED]

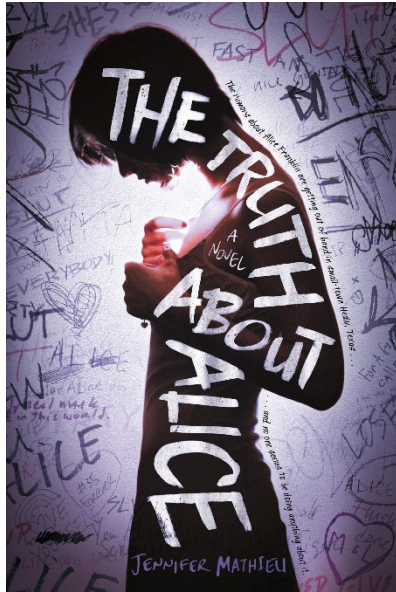
**It is expected that the material in question has been read, viewed, or listened to in its entirety. Please complete the following questions. If insufficient space is provided, attach additional sheets.**

(Please sign your name to each additional attachment)

1. What brought this material to your attention? Public Records Request
2. Did you examine the entire material? No If not, what parts did you examine? Selected Excerpts
3. To what in the material do you object? (Please be specific. Cite pages, film sequence, etc.)  
See attached report. Underage sexual encounters and talk. Graffiti and bullying.
4. What do you believe is the theme or purpose of this material?  
I do not know.
5. What do you feel might be the result of a student using this material?  
Promiscuous behavior. While this may be appropriate for some children, it is not for all.
6. For what age group would you recommend this material? 18+
7. In your opinion, is there anything of value in this material?  
I do not have a comment on the value of the book.
8. Have you read any critical reviews of this material? If so, what? Please be specific. No
9. What would you like the school or district to do about this material? Check your choice.
  - Do not assign it to my child
  - Other (Please explain) Tag the book to alert the parent to the potential objectionable nature of the book.

[REDACTED] June 21, 2022  
Signature of Objector Date (M/D/Y)

**Please submit to the school principal for review.**



29 on the FLCA Report

The Truth about Alice by Jennifer Mathieu

Pg. 27 “Mark my words, man” Brandon said, “that dude is never going to get any pussy. Ever

Pg. 29 It was like Brandon was reading my mind the afternoon of Elaine's party, because after we talked about Kurt Morelli, he said, “Speaking of pussy, you should try to get some action tonight with Maggie Daniels. Her panties get wet every single time you walk by her locker.”

Pg. 65-66 I'd done it with him here, on this very bed, and that had been nice. Sweet even. But this Brandon was scary as hell. “Let me check out your big tits,” he said, gasping for air. “You know I've seen 'em before.

Pg. 74-75 She uncapped the marker and wrote right there on the wall to the left of the toilet in letters that were at least two inches high. ATTENTION! ALICE FRANKLIN IS A HO SLUT WHORE WHO DOESIT WITH EVERYBODY!!!We all laughed, all of us, and then I said, “My turn. ”ALICE FRANKLIN HAS GIVEN 423 BLOW JOBS!!!NOW THAT'S A LOT OF DICK

Pg. 87 I want to take her in my arms and kiss her neck just under her hairline and slip my hands under her black T-shirt and touch her skin, which I am sure will be soft and warm and sweet

Pg. 117 The way he put his hands on me wherever he wanted to, and I let him. I'm doing it. I'm actually doing it. Right now at this moment I'm doing. It hurt. Like hell. And it was over in three minutes