



Resources for learning and teaching about intellectual freedom

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Organizations who can provide assistance and information

- Oregon Library Association Intellectual Freedom Committee (<http://www.olaweb.org/intellectual-freedom-committee-home>)
 - OASL IFC chair: Miranda Doyle
 - OLA IFC chairs: Krista Reynolds and Ross Betzer
- American Library Association Office of Intellectual Freedom (<http://www.ala.org/offices/oif>)
- American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Oregon (<http://www.aclu-or.org/>)
- Comic Book Legal Defense Fund (<http://cbldef.org/>)

Keeping up on issues related to intellectual freedom and school libraries

- *The National Coalition Against Censorship* (www.ncac.org) is a coalition group which includes the American Library Association, the American Association of School Administrators, and The Society of Children's Book Writers & Illustrators. They publish a frequent e-mail newsletter about current intellectual freedom issues and censorship attempts, as well as providing information on their website and through social media.
- "Scales on Censorship" by Pat Scales is an intellectual freedom advice column which runs in the *School Library Journal*. Online archives of the column are available on the SLJ website, and Scales has published a book collecting material from these columns: *Scales on Censorship: Real Life Lessons from School Library Journal* (Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, 2015).
- The *Intellectual Freedom Manual* (ALA Editions, 9th edition, 2015) is a useful and important reference about intellectual freedom issues and best practices in all kinds of libraries, including school libraries.
- "Tuesday Topics" are a monthly series of posts on the libs-OR listserv (<http://listsmart.osl.state.or.us/mailman/listinfo/libs-or>), coordinated by the Oregon Library Association Intellectual Freedom Committee and covering topics with intellectual freedom implications for Oregon libraries of all types.

Resources for teaching about intellectual freedom

- The Oregon Library Association Intellectual Freedom Committee has a "Resources for Students" webpage (<http://www.olaweb.org/intellectual-freedom-student-resources>) with basic information about banned books and links to sources of current information.
- *Intellectual Freedom Issues in Oregon: A News Database* (<http://commons.pacificu.edu/iforegon/>) is an index to articles about censorship and intellectual freedom which appeared in newspapers from around Oregon. It currently includes articles from 1946 up to 2014, and new articles continue to be added. Full-text of articles are not included, but contact information is provided for getting copies.