



# The Roaring Reader

Roosevelt High School's Library Media Center Publication

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## NATIONAL BANNED BOOKS WEEK

This week, Sept. 27–Oct. 3, is National Banned Books Week. As summed up by ALA.org, this event highlights the value of free and open access to information.

Every year, books are challenged and some are successfully banned from school libraries, public libraries, and bookstores. This means that someone, somewhere is attempting to take books out of our hands.

A few of the top books challenged in 2015 include such popular titles as *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* and *The Perks of Being a Wallflower*. Additionally, books that are currently required reading in our school were once banned or

challenged. *The Lord of the Flies*, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, and *Heart of Darkness* are examples.

Books can be banned because of inappropriateness related to sexuality, violence, offensive language, drugs, alcohol, or racism among other factors.

**CELEBRATE YOUR  
FREEDOM!**

CELEBRATE THE RIGHT TO READ.

**BANNED BOOKS WEEK  
SEPT. 27 – OCT 3, 2015**

While the reasons behind the banning of books vary, the overall purpose of this week is to create awareness of the effects of censorship. Just remember, as teenagers, you parents still have the

final say in what you can and cannot read.

To celebrate your “fREADom”—your right to read— Mrs. Z invites you into the LMC to take a look at our previously banned or challenged books display, to take part in one of our banned books discussions, and to visit <http://www.ala.org/bbooks/bannedbooksweek> to learn more about Banned Books.



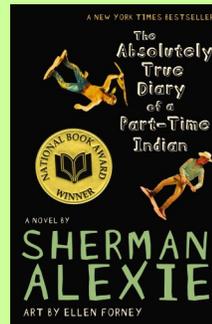
Thank you, Ms. Frost, for bringing your students down to discuss banned books!

## STUDENT ARTWORK IN THE LMC LAB

The winning artwork from last year's photo contest is now hanging in the LMC! Come take a look!



Mrs. Z is currently reading...



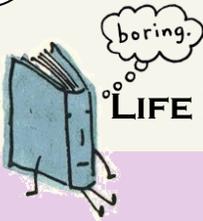
*The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*

by Sherman Alexie

“Mrs. Z scale” rating:  
Can't put it down!

Don't go yet! There's more.





### LIFE IS TOO SHORT TO READ BAD BOOKS

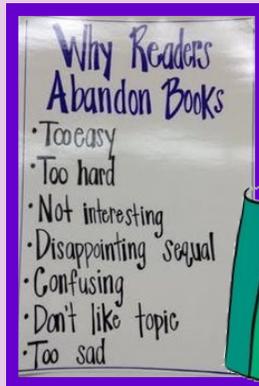
Don't like the book you're reading? Stop! Abandon it!

I know what you're thinking... "Did the librarian actually just tell me to stop reading?" Yes, but only because you are not enjoying your current pick.

Now, there are exceptions to the rule: You cannot give up on required reading for school or work. Some things are a necessary part of life.

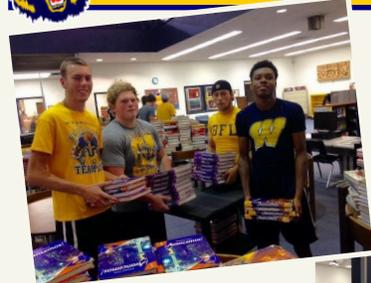
However, if you are reading a book for pleasure and it's not as good as you were hoping, don't be too hard on yourself. It's ok to give up. With so many awesome reads out there in the universe, life is too short for bad books.

Next time you're kicked back with a book and you hear that voice in the back of your head saying, "Dude, why are we even reading this?", consider the following:



If any of these describe you, ask yourself, is it worth pushing through, or should I move on to something better? Follow your gut. Reading should be enjoyable, not painful.

**THANKS TO TEAM #117 FOR HELPING WITH TEXTBOOK DISTRIBUTION!**  
**GO BEARS!**



### A Day in Our Library...



Students exit the RHS Library in 1955.

At that time, the Library was on the second floor, where the English Department Office is currently located. Check out those fancy doors!

Hey, everybody!  
Do you want a particular book? Add it to our "We Want These Books" binder at the circulation desk in the LMC. Mrs. Z will order it!



The List of NEW BOOKS added is on the next page



**Almost 40 NEW BOOKS** have been added to the  
**LMC since the beginning of the school year!**  
**Come check one out!**

- ◇ Very in Pieces
- ◇ Accident Season
- ◇ Adrift
- ◇ This Broken Wondrous World
- ◇ I Am Princess X
- ◇ Prince Without a Kingdom
- ◇ Vivian Apple Needs a Miracle
- ◇ Six Impossible Things
- ◇ P.S. I Still Love You
- ◇ Hunted
- ◇ Sweet
- ◇ Scarlett Undercover
- ◇ Being Sloane Jacobs
- ◇ Body In The Woods
- ◇ Chasing Shadows
- ◇ Conversion
- ◇ Don't Even Think About It
- ◇ Don't Stop Now
- ◇ Endgame: The Calling
- ◇ Famous Last Words
- ◇ Girl In Reverse
- ◇ Glory O'Brien's History of The Future
- ◇ Loud Awake and Lost
- ◇ Road Rash
- ◇ The Truth About Alice
- ◇ Vanishing Season
- ◇ Eden West
- ◇ Skandal
- ◇ Simon vs. The Homo Sapiens' Agenda
- ◇ 99 Days
- ◇ Half Wild
- ◇ Saint Anything
- ◇ The Wrath and the Dawn
- ◇ All The Rage
- ◇ Endangered
- ◇ A School for Unusual Girls
- ◇ The Lives of Sacco and Vanzetti

