

School Board Spotlight has conducted research into 177 school board members across Ohio. By analyzing agendas, meeting minutes, and policy actions since 2023, School Board Spotlight is able to shine a light on school board members supporting antistudent policies such as censorship, book bans, and limiting LGBTQ+ rights and student expression.

The findings reveal an alarming trend: a quarter (44 members) of the sample we reviewed expressed support for some form of curriculum censorship, library and educational materials restrictions, or limitations on LGBTQ rights and student expression beyond what state law required. Of these 44 members, 35 voted for or supported curriculum censorship, 7 voted for or supported book bans, and 33 voted for or expressed support for limitations on LGBTQ rights and student expression.

This research equips parents, educators, advocates and partners with critical information about what's happening in their local districts and enables them to push back against extremism and ensure every student has access to the knowledge, resources, and opportunities they need to thrive.

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Please note that this research represents a sample selected based on a range of factors and does not reflect a comprehensive review of all issues school board members consider in their duties.

About School Board Spotlight and the Pipeline Education Fund

School Board Spotlight is a project of the Pipeline Education Fund and works to shine a light on school boards who are putting politics ahead of America's students. Our mission is to empower grassroots organizations with information on school board members, districts, and harmful policy hotspots so parents and other education advocates can track and combat this wave of extremism happening across the country. Learn more at schoolboardspotlight.org.