2016’s Most Banned

1. *This One Summer* written by Mariko Tamaki and illustrated by Jillian Tamaki
   Reasons: LGBT characters, drug use, profanity, mature themes

2. *Drama* written and illustrated by Raina Telgemeier
   Reasons: LGBT characters, sexually explicit, offensive political viewpoint

3. *George* by Alex Gino
   Reasons: transgender child, not appropriate for elementary levels

4. *I Am Jazz* by Jessica Herthel and Jazz Jennings, illustrated by Shelagh McNicholas
   Reasons: transgender child, language, sex education, offensive viewpoint

5. *Two Boys Kissing* by David Levithan
   Reasons: cover has two boys kissing, sexually explicit, LGBT content

6. *Looking for Alaska* by John Green
   Reasons: sexually explicit

7. *Big Hard Sex Criminals* written by Matt Fraction and illustrated by Chip Zdarsky
   Reasons: sexually explicit

8. *Make Something Up: Stories You Can’t Unread* by Chuck Palahniuk
   Reasons: profanity, sexually explicit

9. *Little Bill* (series) written by Bill Cosby and illustrated by Varnette P. Honeywood
   Reasons: criminal sexual allegations against the author

10. *Eleanor & Park* by Rainbow Rowell
    Reasons: offensive language
Banned Classics
The Awakening by Kate Chopin
The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald
The Lord of the Flies by William Golding
A Separate Peace by John Knowles
To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee
Gone with the Wind by Margaret Mitchell
Beloved by Toni Morrison
1984 by George Orwell
The Catcher in the Rye by J.D. Salinger
The Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck
Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck
The Lord of the Rings by J.R.R. Tolkien
The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain
The Color Purple by Alice Walker

Modern Series
The Hunger Games series by Suzanne Collins
The Popularity Papers series by Amy Ingatow
Twilight series by Stephanie Meyer
Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park
Captain Underpants series by Dav Pilkey
Georgia Nicholson series by Louise Rennison
Harry Potter series by J.K. Rowling
Goosebumps series by R.L. Stine
Gossip Girl series by Cecily von Ziegesar