

C. REVIEWS

1. Source of review (s)

Top of the News, Rationales for Commonly Taught Books,
ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee, School Library Journal,
Randomhouse.com

2. Does this title appear in one or more reputable selection aids?

If answer is yes, please list titles of selection.

ALA Best Books for Young Adults, Yes
New York Times Outstanding Books of the Year, No

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

The majority of reviews were favorable to the book. Most reviews found value in the book. Note—the book was favorably reviewed by School Library Journal in a special edition focusing on bullies and bullying.

RECOMMENDATION BY SCHOOL CURRICULUM COUNCIL FOR TREATMENT OF CHALLENGED MATERIALS

The Committee unanimously agreed The Chocolate War should remain in secondary media centers. The majority of the committee (8 of the 9 members) finds the book acceptable for use as required supplemental reading.

April 27, 2006

DATE

The committee would like the district to include a specific time for teachers to notify parents/guardians prior to classroom use of required supplemental reading. Refer to board policy XIB. 4.21

SIGNATURES OF CURRICULUM COUNCIL MEMBERS

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