
Book Bans? Not Today!

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How are you celebrating Banned Books Week?

We know that our students need and deserve schools where their rights are respected. Students have the right to read and the right to learn in a school that is safe and fully staffed. Public school staff also have the right to work in a safe and respectful environment and to be treated as professionals.

If you agree, it's time to build collective power by signing and getting your coworkers to sign the [petition for Rights, Respect, and Reading](#).



Other campaign materials:

- [Timeline & Demands](#)
- [Petition Information](#)
- Sign the petition: tinyurl.com/GCAEpetition25
- Petition tracker: tinyurl.com/RRRtracker

The **BEST** way to get plugged in with the campaign is to come to the [Organizing Committee meeting TOMORROW NIGHT!](#)

KEEP CELEBRATING BANNED BOOKS WEEK...

WEDNESDAY 10/8: #ReadForEd

- Wear red, and take a special #ReadForEd group photo to post to social media. Get creative! Maybe your group will be holding banned books or hold “censored” signs over faces.
- Hashtags: #ReadForEd, #RedForEd, #BannedBooksWeek, #UniteAgainstBookBans, #FreedomToRead

THURSDAY 10/9: Read Dangerously

- Some people think books are dangerous. Wear a conversation-starter like a helmet, a shield, or caution tape. When people ask about it, make sure to tell them that freedom to read is a right, and what’s really dangerous is banning books.
- Group photo opportunity: Get your coworkers together wearing their dangerous gear.

FRIDAY 10/10: Rights, Respect, and Reading

- Get a majority (50% +1) or supermajority (75% or more) of your coworkers to sign the Rights, Respect, and Reading petition. It’s due TODAY!
 - Petition: tinyurl.com/GCAEpetition25
 - Tracker: tinyurl.com/RRRtracker

- TONIGHT, head over to Scuppernon Books in Greensboro for a Banned Books Panel event. [INFORMATION](#)

Constitutional Amendments Proposal from GCAE Executive Board

[These Constitutional amendments](#) are proposed to the membership body of GCAE by the Executive Board of Directors of GCAE via email on October 1, 2025. This email shall serve as written notice to the membership body of the proposed amendments.

After a period of sixty (60) days, GCAE members will vote to ratify the proposed amendments via electronic ballot. The electronic ballot shall open no earlier than December 4, 2025, and close no earlier than December 18, 2025.

Any amendments affecting electoral processes or procedures will not affect the 2026 union election.

Ratification requires two-thirds approval of members who participate in the vote.

Comments or questions about the proposed amendments may be submitted to gcaenc@gmail.com.

Direct link to amendments document: tinyurl.com/GCAEamend25

Plug In and Build YOUR Union

Organizing Committee Meeting

tinyurl.com/GCAEOC10-9-25

Thursday, October 9

5:30-7:30 PM

Smith High School

Register

Have a Building Meeting!

any time in October

at YOUR work site!

Sample Agenda

Take a #RedForEd Group Photo

Every Wednesday

at YOUR work site!

How To #RedForEd

Ways to Plug In with NCAE & NEA:

GCAE is the local affiliate of our state union, NCAE, and our national union, NEA. The following opportunities are available for all GCAE members ready to learn one more thing, take one more step, or dig just a little bit deeper.

- **Free Speech Webinar w/ NCAE Advocacy Center**
 - Wednesday, October 8, 6:00-7:00 PM
 - Virtual
 - Register: <https://www.mobilize.us/ncae/event/854132>
 - **We Are Public Schools Summit**
 - Saturday, October 11, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
 - Central Piedmont Community College, Charlotte
 - Register: <https://www.wearepublicschools.com/registration>
 - **NCAE Conference Grant Application**
 - Grants up to \$500 will be awarded, pending application approval. Application deadlines are as follows:
 - NEA Leadership Summit-October 20, 2025
 - NEA ESP Conference- November 10, 2025
 - NEA Conference on Racial and Social Justice-February 1, 2026
 - [Application Form](#)
 - **Connect with NCAE & NEA**
 - Fill out: <http://join.nea.org/north-carolina/connect>
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Ways to Plug In with Our Community Partners:

- **Our Schools, Our Books: Censorship and the "Parents Bill of Rights:" A Panel Discussion**
 - Friday, October 10, 6:00 PM
 - Scuppernon Books, Greensboro
 - Information: <https://scuppernonbooks.com/event/2025-10-10/our-schools-our-books-censorship-and-parents-bill-rights-panel-discussion>
- **Siembra Stand Up for Guilford Town Hall**
 - Monday, October 13, 6:00 PM
 - Congregational UCC, Greensboro
 - Register: <https://actionnetwork.org/events/stand-up-for-guilford-town-hall>
- **NO KINGS Greensboro**
 - Saturday, October 18, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
 - Wendover Avenue
 - Register: <https://www.mobilize.us/nokings/event/841481>
- **Public School Strong Training**
 - Tuesday, November 18, 7:00-8:30 PM
 - Virtual
 - Register: <https://www.mobilize.us/downhomenc/event/557516/>

- a great opportunity for parents and community members to organize and advocate for public schools
 - **Participate in a Study (Inclusion Specialists)**
 - [Information Linked Here](#)
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