

# REAL LIFE PROBLEM

## HIGH SCHOOL English/Social Studies

Dear 11th Grade English/Civics Students,

Censorship of literature is a serious issue. The school board has received petitions demanding that certain books be pulled from the library shelves of your school. One of those books is “The Lord of the Flies” by William Golding – a piece of literature that has been a part of the regular high school curriculum for many years. There are several other books on the list.

We are seeking your help in preparing a student perspective on the issue. We would like you to investigate and analyze the claims made against the works on the list, to make appropriate recommendations in a written report, and to prepare a presentation of findings to the school board. If your work is of sufficient quality, we may invite you to make a subsequent presentation to the group which originated the petition.

We would appreciate it if you would be prepared to present your work to the board at its meeting on Thursday, May 19 at 7:00 PM.

Regards,

William Downs  
School Board President