Won’t somebody think of the children?

avoiding the trap of self-censoring materials and services for youth

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ARE YOU READY
Protection vs Access
Not so easy

AIRBAGS
SAVE LIVES
PLACE CHILDREN IN REAR SEAT
History of Children’s Rights
Every Child is Different
Not all materials are suited to all children
Labels & Formats
“There isn’t an age limit on Intellectual Freedom”
Ethical Courage

Deb Beasley: This was a quarter century ago but my supervisor refused to buy books on sex-ed books unless they were religious in nature. These are, of course, not sex-ed at all but books on morality. My director knew he had a problem, let me order and I earned the reputation as the library sex-pervert. The books I ordered were age-appropriate and our community had a huge teenage-pregnancy problem. I felt I had landed in hell and the only support I got was from my director and adult reference. It was lonely and horrible but I never forgot and when I became supervisor everything changed.
In Loco Parentis
“Librarians and governing bodies should maintain that only parents and guardians have the right and the responsibility to determine their children’s—and only their children’s—access to library resources. Parents and guardians who do not want their children to have access to specific library services, materials, or facilities should so advise their children.”

http://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/freeaccesslibraries
Tools & Required Reading
HOW DO YOU MEASURE UP?
“If you can’t be a good example, then you'll just have to serve as a horrible warning.” —Catherine Aird
talk about it

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