

## Charlotte School District Pulls Book About A Boy Who Likes To Dress As A Girl

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The Charlotte Observer reports that the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School District has pulled a picture book from four elementary schools that is about a boy who likes to dress like a girl.

The book, "Jacob's New Dress," was to be part of an anti-bullying program in four elementary schools. However, the district replaced the book fearing disapproval from the General Assembly, according to Charles Jeter, district's chief lobbyist and a former Republican legislator. Instead, the district will use, "Red: A Crayon's Story," a book about a red crayon that sees itself as blue. Separately, the CMS school board is preparing to add sexual orientation and "gender identity/expression" to its policy on multiculturalism. The program is designed by the national Human Rights Campaign to help elementary schools become LGBTQ-inclusive according to the Observer.

Jeters learned about the proposed lesson that included "Jacob's New Dress" from former legislative colleagues who were informed by a CMS teacher. Jeter told his CMS superiors they were in danger of triggering a backlash similar to HB2.