



# New Voices Georgia

Fighting for student  
press freedoms.

## In Georgia:

Schools still have the legal right to censor student journalists' speech when they communicate through school-sponsored media.

Teacher-advisers can be disciplined and even fired for supporting student press freedoms.

Your peers who publish content through non-school sponsored media are protected from school censorship under the First Amendment.

**The U.S. Supreme Court decided in *Hazelwood School District v. Kuhlmeier* that schools can censor student journalists for an education-related purpose.**

This means that school administrators can suppress student journalists' speech and can even lead to self-censorship, which is where you limit your own speech because you don't want to get in trouble.

## How can New Voices help student journalists?

New Voices Georgia is a movement for students by students that aims to pass a state law that:

- Gives student journalists the ability to determine the content of their school media
- Protects advisers who support student press freedoms

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