

# THE ISSUE ENDURES

## Conflict escalates over canceled student play on Iraq

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WILTON - A principal's decision to stop the performance of a play about the war in Iraq, crafted by students in a Wilton High School drama class, has garnered national media attention and touched off a debate on censorship.

As part of an advanced theater arts class, 15 students spent the second semester putting together a collection of dramatic readings based on interviews and letters from veterans of the war, including a 2005 Wilton High School graduate who was killed in Iraq in September.

After a student whose brother is serving in the war said the project, "Voices in Conflict," was not balanced, Principal Timothy Canty put an end to it.

Wilton Public Schools Superintendent Gary Richards said Canty made the decision after much thought, and the administration thought the students' script did not provide enough context to explore a complicated subject....

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► How does this situation compare to the one in *Hazelwood v. Kuhlmeier*?

► Do you believe the school has acted unconstitutionally?