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trying to get information out in a responsible way. We believe that.
"In the process of doing that, they stepped over lines that we as a district do not feel we have the right to step over."
Said Blue and White editor Jonnifer Allen; "We didn't see it as endangering it (see aducation) at all . . We thought it would enhance it.
"We felt students would benefit from these articles going in to see

from those articles going in to see this does happen to people their age and how they dealt with it."

White said they're working with

White said they re working with the students to accomplish that objective, but keep it within the guidelines.

State mandates allow parents to take children out of program on sex or health education. Any publication produced by the district must also match the curriculum, White said.

"We felt the survey taken by the students was outside the realm of our health curriculum," White said, "and the letters were very explicit in nature. We felt that it was walking on the edge of the school district potentially violating the laws involving sex ed and health ed."

The letter dealing with child molestation will be rewritten in the form of an article, Allen said. The anonymous letter on abortion is going to be scrapped altogether.

Officials review stories

"The administration felt it was a touchy subject," Allen said.

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Jennifer Allen Blue and White editor

"They didn't want anything to do with it."

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Articles were given to administrators voluntarily to review prior to publication, because of their

sensitive nature.
Health curriculum coordinator
Estralee Michaelson and White
met with students to explain
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Public Act 226 and district guide-lines.
Such courtesy is not necessary.
According to a 1988 U.S. Su-preme Court decision, school ad-ministrators have the right to re-view and censor student publica-tions.
The ruling came out of an inci-dent involving a high school newspaper in St. Louis.
A principal there removed two articles, one dealing with teen pregnancy and another with the effects of divorce on children.

Working with officials
Allen said she was aware of the
Hazelwood ruling.
"We've learned the school is
pretty lenient where we don't
(usually) go under prior review,"
Allen said.
"They've been continually on
our side and backed us up. We
learned we have to go through
them. If we do that, and work

Blue and White editor
through the administration, then
we get a lot further."
Though the Supreme Court ruling didn't have a direct impact in
this instance, it had a role.
Student publications adviser
flety Martin said she's more cautious in the wake of the Hazelwood School District vs.
Kuhlmeier decision.
Prior review is not a common
practice in Farmington high
schools, but Martin doesn't want
it to become one, either. That was
one of the reasons behind submitting these stories beforehand for
approval, she said.
She sees such restrictions having a broader impact.
"On one hand we get Hierature
from Quill & Scroll. They're telling us to tackle big topics; don'
stick with the same high achool
topical like skipping class or whatever," Martin said. "They even
say things like, 'flow about something on teen sexuality.'
"Those are the messages they
are getting . . . On the other
hand, they feel stymied by the
pracess we have to live with with
here."
Added Allem: "You're stifling
people's creativity and their freedom of expression where everyone
class hit."

## Free Public Talk

## GETTING A HANDLE ON HEADACHES

Presented by Mitchell L. Elkiss, D.O.

Dr. Elkiss is a Board Certified Neurologist. Assistant director of Gertrude Levin Pain Clinic at DMC, Board certified in Manual Medicine. Private practice - Associates in Neurology in Southfield and Novi. His presentation will include:

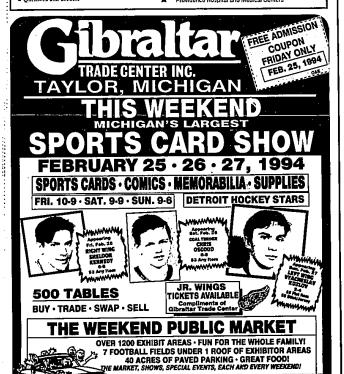
- What are headaches and what causes them
- Tools used in the diagnosis of headache
- Classification of
- Treatment of headaches traditional and modern

Anyone who suffers from headaches, or who wants to learn more about them and what to do will be interested in this free talk.

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