Hazelwood decision

Questions for Discussion

1. What is prior review?
2. What is censorship?
3. What conditions had to exist for a principal to exercise censorship of the student press according to the *Hazelwood* decision?
4. Does the *Hazelwood* ruling apply to all public schools? What factors does the court use to determine whether the student newspaper has been opened by the school as a public forum?
5. How did the Supreme Court reconcile its seemingly contradictory holdings in the *Hazelwood* and *Tinker* cases?
6. Under what circumstances may student speech in a school-sponsored, non-public forum be limited according to the *Hazelwood* decision?
7. What forms of student expression, other than school-sponsored student newspapers, could be censored under the *Hazelwood* standard?
8. Are school officials required to censor student expression under the *Hazelwood* ruling?
9. What is the difference between editorial decision making and self censorship?
10. If you were a high school principal, would your relationship with the school's newspaper be based on the *Tinker* standard or the *Hazelwood* guidelines?
11. What amendments should be of consideration in this case?