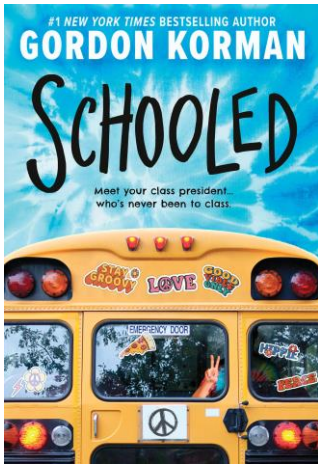


## Book Resume: Schooled



### ***Schooled* by Gordon Korman**

Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, 2007

ISBN: 9780316564502 (paperback)

\*Age Range: 8-12 (Suggested by Publisher)

Grade Range: Gr 6-9 (Recommended by *School Library Journal*)

### **BOOK SYNOPSIS**

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**In this bestselling fish-out-of-water classic, a homeschooled kid must learn how to fit in at his new public school when he's elected to be class president as a prank.**

Capricorn Anderson (Cap for short) has never watched a television show. He's never tasted pizza. He's never heard of a wedge. And he has never, even in his wildest dreams, thought he'd live anywhere but the Garland Farm commune with his hippie grandmother and homeschool instructor, Rain.

But all this changes when Rain is stuck in the hospital and Cap is sent to Claverage Middle School (dubbed C Average by the kids). Cap doesn't exactly fit in at school, with his long, ungroomed hair and hemp clothes; in fact, he's the biggest nerd around. But when he's elected eighth grade president as a joke, Cap is more puzzled than ever, and soon the joke grows into something more. Will Cap be the greatest president in the history of C Average or the biggest punch line?

Rife with Gordon Korman's signature humor, *Schooled* is a heartwarming story about friendship, kindness, and finding your place—which may not always be where you think it is.

### **REVIEWS AND PRAISE**

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"Korman's novel...is his usual smart, funny, slightly skewed realism. Tweens will definitely identify." —*Kirkus*

"Imagine being a home-schooled kid from 1967 transported to the first day of eighth grade at a public middle school in 2007. That's essentially the fate of Capricorn Anderson ... While readers will giggle over Cap's innocence ('What's a starbuck?'), there are deeper themes—trust, belonging, kindness—hidden beneath the humor." —*New York Times*

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“This rewarding novel features an engaging main character and some memorable moments of comedy, tenderness, and reflection.” —*Booklist*

## AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

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- Black-Eyed Susan Book Award (Winner – Grades 6-9 – 2010)
- Canadian Library Association Book of the Year for Children Award (Shortlist – 2008)
- Flicker Tale Award (Nominee – Juvenile Books – 2011)
- Grand Canyon Reader Award (Nominee – Tween – 2010)
- Great Stone Face Book Award (Nominee – 2009)
- Iowa Children's Choice Award (Nominee – 2012)
- Manitoba Young Reader's Choice Award (Nominee – 2009)
- Maud Hart Lovelace Award (Nominee – Division II - Grades 6-8 – 2010)
- Pacific Northwest Library Association Young Reader's Choice Award (Nominee – Intermediate – 2010)
- Pennsylvania Young Reader's Choice Award (Nominee – Grades 6-8 – 2010)
- Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' Book Award (Nominee – 2011)
- Rhode Island Teen Book Award (Nominee – 2010)
- Sequoyah Book Award (Nominee – Intermediate – 2010)
- Soaring Eagle Book Award (Nominee – 2010)
- South Carolina Book Awards (Winner – Junior Book Award – 2010)
- Sunshine State Young Reader's Award (Nominee – Grades 6-8 – 2010)
- Utah Beehive Book Award (Nominee – Young Adult – 2010)
- Vermont Golden Dome Book Award (Nominee)
- William Allen White Children's Book Award (Nominee – Grades 6-8 – 2009-2010)
- The Willow Awards (Winner – Snow Willow – 2008)
- Wyoming Indian Paintbrush Award (Nominee – 2011)
- Young Hoosier Book Award (Nominee – Middle Grade – 2012)

## MEDIA AND RESOURCES

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- [Educator's Guide](#)
- [TeachingBooks.net](http://TeachingBooks.net)

## AUTHOR STATEMENT

I was stunned when I first heard that *SCHOOLED* had been challenged and even banned in school districts around the country. Since its publication in 2007, *SCHOOLED* has been enjoyed by millions of readers. My first impulse was to scour every page in search of the offending words and lines that had prompted a community to take my book off their shelves.

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That's the absurdity of book bans. Any story that kids love over years and ultimately decades will sooner or later rub some random parent or community member the wrong way. Which is not the end of the world – *unless that one voice is given the power to take the book away from everybody!*

The personal or political beliefs of one person or a small group of people should not dictate the freedom to read for all!

### **\*A NOTE ON AGE RANGES**

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A publisher-suggested age range covers the gamut of readers that publishers envision using the book, whether for independent reading, family sharing, group study, or in other ways. Educators have the best sense of the appropriate age range for the diverse learners they work with and understand these ranges vary depending on a book's intended use.

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