

## SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

No. 99 - 2036

## GOOD NEWS CLUB, ET AL., PETITIONERS

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## MILFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL

ON WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT

June 11, 2001

JUSTICE THOMAS delivered the opinion of the Court. This case presents two questions. The first question is whether Milford Central School violated the free speech rights of the Good News Club when it excluded the Club from meeting after hours at the school. The second question is whether any such violation is justified by Milford's concern that permitting the Club's activities would violate the Establishment Clause. We conclude that Milford's restriction violates the Club's free speech rights and that no Establishment Clause concern justifies that violation.

United States Supreme Court decides that Good News Clubs must be granted the same access to school facilities as afforded to any other non-religious organization