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To: Ethnic Studies

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Purging CA curriculum on antisemitic content and adding Jewish studies

To whom it may concern:

We have been extremely concerned about antisemitic content in the CA curriculum, and ask that you please include the following:

1. **A lesson plan on Jewish Americans** that recognizes the diversity of the community including Ashkenazi, Sephardic, Mizrahi Jews and Jews of color. Additionally, a lesson plan on Arab Americans should also refer to Jewish Americans of Middle Eastern and North African (MENA) descent.
2. **An accurate definition of [antisemitism](#)**, such as the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance's, which the U.S. State Department adopted in 2010.
3. **Inclusion of lessons about [antisemitism](#).**
4. **Transparency and an opportunity for public comment** in all phases of the development of a final ESMC.

Please purge antisemitism from the curriculum. We are grateful to be citizens of a state that values and respects diversity.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Julie and Seth Jacobs