

From: Caryl Schwartz  
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To: Ethnic Studies  
Subject: Ethnic Studies Model Curriculum

Dear Chairwoman Chao:

I am writing you regarding my concerns about the current version of the state's ESMC. I have had 3 children that graduated from the CA. public school system. As a parent, I was very disappointed about the lack of historical information regarding WWII, antisemitism, and the Holocaust. Unfortunately, the proposed ESMC program does not resolve the problem and incorporates anti-Jewish stereotypes and depicts Israel in a negative light. The Middle East has complicated politics and the curriculum inappropriately attacks Israel by supporting BDS rhetoric.

A Jewish Ethnic Studies Program should include the contributions of Jewish cultural icons in music, theatre, art, and science to American society.

Thank you,

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