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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Curriculum ethnic studies

To Whom It May Concern,

I'm writing to express my discontent with the proposed curriculum in California's ethnic studies regarding Jewish Peoples. The term "privilege" to describe Jewish People is a form of anti-semitism as it implies a false narrative that Jewish people aren't continually discriminated against, face hate crimes and other kinds of abuse, and that somehow they "all" have a certain amount of privilege /power (ex. the age old trope all Jews are rich). To further prove how inappropriate this language is (ESPECIALLY in a textbook for children), is the fact David Duke uses the term "Jewish Privilege" to describe Jewish Peoples. This is dangerous language, and wrong. Do not approve this curriculum- as you will also be approving violence and anti-semitism.

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