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To: Ethnic Studies

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Esmc public comment deadline 9/30

Dear Members of the Instructional Quality Commission:

As a California state resident and mother, I would like my voice heard regarding the development of the Ethnic Studies Model Curriculum:

1. Any lesson plan on ethnic groups in California should include *Jewish Americans*, and recognize the diversity of Jews in national origin and background as we might discuss for say Asian Americans.
2. Ensure any Ethnic Studies Model Curriculum lesson plan includes *anti-semitism* as a historical and current example of bigotry; and include an accurate definition of anti-semitism, which reflects the depth and breadth of hate against Jews in more subtle forms including the de-legitimization of Israel and denial of the Holocaust. The ADL includes resources for lesson plans on anti-semitism here: <https://antisemitism.adl.org/>
3. *Transparency* and an *opportunity for public comment* in all phases of the development of a final Ethnic Studies Model Curriculum. How can you create a curriculum on our ethnic groups without providing them a voice in its development?

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