

STRONGLY OPPOSE

This bill requires school districts to provide instruction on racist history of this country and state. Implements a 1619 Project-type curriculum.

A mandatory curriculum with no balanced agenda for objective discussion is indoctrination, not equity. It degrades white students to appease adults looking for revenge.

The language in the bill seems to blindly copy the premises of the widely debunked New York Times 1619 Project. If enacted, this bill would mandate the statewide adoption of a 1619 Project-type curriculum for all K-12 Oregon public school students. The bill characterizes the overarching theme of Oregon and U.S. History as racist. It would require all history to be taught through an oppressed/oppressor racial lens. It requires a radical overhaul of the 5th Grade Oregon Trail Unit to characterize all pioneers as motivated chiefly by racism. It describes racism and slavery as foundational to the state and country's law, economy, justice system, and government.

This isn't just a course curriculum to better understand history, it's a shift in the entire education program with an advisory group to make sure the school comply.