

Hello,

It's great that you're working on new inclusive rules for Vermont's education quality standards.

It is essential that Jews and antisemitism be included in these rules.

My children, currently in Woodstock Union High School, have experienced first hand the kind of ignorance that happens if this is not taught sufficiently. Kids have done Hail Hitler salutes to them which although in itself is not the worst possible thing, it shows a level of ignorance that leads to hatred and opens the doors to history repeating itself.

The standards must include groups “that have been historically subject to persecution or genocide” and that the curriculum must address “antisemitism.” How else can it be inclusive? This is not a marginal group to which nothing bad has ever happened, or stands no risk of it happening again. I don't see how anyone can justify NOT including anti semitism in this curriculum.

Thank you,

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