

Unified Grassroots



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It has recently come to our attention that within the Provincial Curriculum for Grade 6 Social Studies there is a section on instructing students on white privilege. The specific reference to this instructional direction can be found in the Saskatchewan Curriculum, Grade 6 Social Studies Curriculum, page 30 of 38 under "Indicators", item c. and d. are the items of interest. These items read as follows:

- "Investigate the concept of white privilege and assess the degree to which it exists in Canada and a selection of countries bordering on the Atlantic Ocean."
- "Identify the personal and societal impact of white privilege on individuals and groups within Canada and a selection of countries bordering the Atlantic Ocean."

Having this topic included in the Social Studies Curriculum of any Grade is very objectional, however including it as a topic for discussion for 11- or 12-year-olds is egregious.

In an example made known to UG, the manner in which the curriculum requirements were met by one teacher was to use course material called "Roots in Racism". In this specific situation the teacher told the students they were all guilty of white privilege as were the people who lived in the local community, and if more people of color should ever move there, racism would run rampant. Having a teacher use their authority to shame children of their "white privilege" and tell them they are racists in waiting is unacceptable. It is important to note that teachers are given the freedom to meet curriculum requirements using whatever teaching materials they see fit, omitting sections or adding to it.