

NEBRASKA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING NOTIFICATION AND AGENDA

- Meeting Date:** Friday, November 5, 2021 9:00 AM
- Meeting Title:** State Board of Education Meeting Notification and Agenda
- Location:** Holiday Inn Southwest
Nebraska Ballroom
2500 Tamarin Ridge Road
Lincoln, NE 68512
- Web Streaming:** Live web streaming will be available through the State Board of Education website: www.education.ne.gov/StateBoard/
- Agenda:** Except for emergency items added at the time of the meeting, the agenda will not be changed less than 24 hours prior to the start of the meeting and any changes will be immediately posted on the website. The Board will attempt to adhere to the sequence of the published agenda, but reserves the right to adjust the order of items if necessary and may elect to take action on any of the items listed.
- Interpreter:** If you need interpreter services or other reasonable accommodations, please contact the Nebraska Department of Education at (402) 471-5059 five (5) days prior to the meeting to coordinate arrangements.
- Website:** An electronic version of the agenda and support materials are available on the State Board of Education's Agenda page: www.education.ne.gov/StateBoard/Agendas.html
- Lunch:** On Friday, November 5, 2021, if necessary, the State Board of Education may break for lunch at 12:00 p.m. The lunch will take place in Conference Room C at the State Office Building, Sixth Floor, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. The Board may resume work on the agenda at approximately 1:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER
President Nickels
 1. Roll Call
President Nickels
 2. Pledge of Allegiance
President Nickels
 3. Announcement of the placement of the Open Meetings Act information
President Nickels
 4. COVID-19 Meeting Protocol
Commissioner Blomstedt

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

President Nickels

1. Public Comment

2. Written Public Comment

3. ADJOURNMENT

President Nickels

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the State Board of Education will be held on Friday, December 3, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. at a location to be determined. As needed, a work session will be held on Thursday, December 2, 2021 at a time to be determined.

The agenda contains a list of subjects known at the time of its distribution on October 28, 2021. A copy of the agenda reflecting any changes will be available for public inspection during the normal business hours in the Office of the Commissioner of Education and on the State Board of Education's Agenda

page: www.education.ne.gov/StateBoard/Agendas.html. *Except for items of an emergency nature, the agenda will not be changed later than 24 hours before the scheduled commencement of the meeting.*



Nebraska State Board of Education
Covid-19 Meeting Protocol

Meeting date/time: Thursday, November 4, 2021
Friday, November 5, 2021

Meeting location: Holiday Inn Lincoln Southwest
Nebraska Ballroom
2500 Tamarin Ridge Road
Lincoln, NE 68512

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to outline and detail measures and protocols that seek to protect and ensure the health, welfare, and safety of the public in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. For the purposes of this protocol document, “attendee” shall mean any individual person who is attending the meeting, but not limited to: state board members, Nebraska Department of Education staff members, other State of Nebraska employees, hearing respondents, and members of the public.

Maximum attendance

Maximum attendance at the meeting is limited to the rated capacity of the meeting room. However in order to maintain physical distancing between individuals, the room will be setup with chairs spaced three (3) feet apart. Standing is not allowed in the meeting room. If the meeting room becomes full or crowded, members of the public may wait in the pre-function area.

Considerations for Attendees to Access Public Meetings

Attendees are asked to comply with the following directives:

- a. **Accessibility:** Members of the public are encouraged to maintain 3 feet of physical distancing between others when entering and exiting the room.
- b. **Masks:** Masks that cover the mouth and nose are recommended for all attendees. Individuals who have not been vaccinated for COVID-19 are strongly encouraged to wear a mask.
- c. **Hand sanitizer:** Use of hand sanitizer is strongly recommended upon entrance to the meeting room and after attendees touch their face, cough, or sneeze.
- d. **Physical distancing:** The meeting room will be arranged to ensure that all attendees are able to practice physical distancing with a space of at least three feet between individuals. Arranged chairs and tables are not to be moved. Attendees are encouraged to avoid shaking hands or making physical contact with other attendees.

e. **Personal questionnaire:** Attendees will be presented with the following questions on signage at the entrance to the meeting room and asked to self-identify responses of “Yes” or “No” to each question.

1. Are you experiencing, or experienced any of the following symptoms in the last 14 days?
 - i. Fever or chills
 - ii. Cough
 - iii. Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - iv. Fatigue
 - v. Muscle or body aches
 - vi. Headache
 - vii. New loss of taste or smell
 - viii. Sore throat
 - ix. Congestion or runny nose
 - x. Nausea or vomiting
 - xi. Diarrhea
2. Have you been in physical contact with or in close proximity to anyone who tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days?
3. Have you traveled outside of the United States in the last 14 days?
4. Have you been in physical contact with or in close proximity to anyone who has traveled outside of the country, or who has been ill?
5. Do you have a temperature of greater than 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit?

Should an attendee be able to identify a “Yes” response to any of these question, the Attendee should self-select to not enter the meeting room and leave the meeting venue.

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Identification

Please complete the following information to identify yourself. This information will appear with the text of your written public comment.

First name *

Nate

Last name *

Danze

City *

Omaha

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

There is a limit of 750 words.

Written Comments *

There is a limit of 750 words (approximately 5000 characters with spaces.)

I am very very disturbed. For so long I trusted the schools to have my child's best interest in mind. When preparing my children for their future. It seems now the schools are indeed ran by sick individuals. Individuals more concerned with grooming my children with disgusting sex Ed standards. Teaching my children to comply and never question things by putting medical devices illegally on my kids faces restricting their breathing based on zero science. Teaching my kids to feel guilty for being white with pathetic crt. If we are gonna add subjects to actually prepare them for the future. Why don't we bring back shop. Teach them how to balance a checkbook. Teach them life skills. The only other things the schools should be teaching are basic subjects. Math, science, reading, etc. not crt, not sex Ed. Labeling parents "domestic terrorists" for wanting control over our OWN childrens education is absolutely disgusting. What In the hell is wrong with you people. Who is running this disgusting practice. You people need a rude awakening. Start focusing on the basic subjects. When it comes to sex Ed most of the things I've seen taught are child pornography and it will not be taught to my child in schools ever and don't ever think you have the authority to tell my child if a medical device should be put on their face you people are there to educate not act like doctors.

Signature

Please type your first and last name again. This will appear with your written comments and serves as your signature.

Signed,

First name *

Nate

Last name *

Danze

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Identification

Please complete the following information to identify yourself. This information will appear with the text of your written public comment.

First name *

Sandra

Last name *

Rucilez

City *

Kearney

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

There is a limit of 750 words.

Written Comments *

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Not sure what to say, other than I'm disappointed in what you have been doing to families.

Maybe try teaching morals, ethics, respect for self and others, consequences for actions, accountability, responsibility, anger management, coping skills...

But that would go against the division, racism, hatred and ignorance you're being paid to push.

Take a step back and take a look at the big picture. You make us, then children expendable but you might want to consider doing what's right. Ya never know. It might work.

Signature

Please type your first and last name again. This will appear with your written comments and serves as your signature.

Signed,

First name *

Sandra

Last name *

Rucilez

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First name *

Ronell

Last name *

Grego-Lee

City *

omaha

State *

ne

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I am concerned;

The health sex education standards process appears to have been manipulated from the very beginning. No follow-up comments or action plans have been made to prevent this from happening again. How can we trust the Nebraska Department of Education or the State School Board Members?

Equity and Anti-Racism resources are still being promoted by the Nebraska Department of Education.

The Nebraska State Board of Education must make a public statement condemning the recent Department of Justice's directive, which includes labeling concerned parents as domestic terrorists. Nebraskans need reassurance that the state school board values parental involvement and respects parental rights.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Ronell

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Identification

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First name *

Cheryl

Last name *

Hulinsky

City *

Saint Paul

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I do not approve of public schools teaching children how families are changing. This is a parent decision on when children need to know about trans-gender identity and homosexuality. This is not the purpose of public school. Every child is different and every situation is different. It is and should be a parental decision at when a child learns about these life situations. I am also opposed of critical race theory's being taught in school. History should be taught as it happened. Kids need to know the truth of how history happened. They will see with their own hearts how some races were not treated fairly. And they will see that their jobs as citizens is to not make that same mistake. It is not up to anyone to change history or to make a white child feel responsible for actions of the wrongs done by previous people.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Cheryl

Last name *

Hulinsky

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First name *

Arlene

Last name *

Preisendorf

City *

Grand Island

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I am against the Comprehensive Sex Education standards that are being implemented in our schools. It is the job of parents to guide and educate their children in moral and sexual matters not the schools or government. I am also against CRT. It is extremely divisive and continues to fuel the fires of racism. It goes against everything Martin Luther King fought for; NOT to be judged on the color of our skin. CRT encourages children, our children to look and judge people on the color of their skin.

Signature

Please type your first and last name again. This will appear with your written comments and serves as your signature.

Signed,

First name *

Arlene

Last name *

Preisendorf

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Identification

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First name *

Jane

Last name *

Kinsey

City *

Lincoln

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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These principles for the classroom are designed by people with higher education and the principles should stay at the college level. They are too complex and too intense for young children to practice and absorb into their thinking and feelings. Teaching people to identify others as racist or homophobic is nothing more than putting another label on people which is what the authors of this program wanted to stop in the first place. Providing an atmosphere in a classroom or school of kindness and tolerance is all that education should do in order to teach reading, writing, math, science, history art and music, which is the basic purpose of public education. Please reinforce these principles rather than devoting precious time trying to use social engineering to change the world. It has never worked and never will.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Jane

Last name *

Kinsey

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Identification

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First name *

Lori

Last name *

Samuelson

City *

Trumbull

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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To the Nebraska State School Board,

The events that unfolded during the process of choosing individuals to be a part of the new Health Standards during the past year are horrid. The disappointment that I felt in a group of people associated with the education of our young people was mind blowing. After then exploring the NDE website and seeing information regarding Critical Race Theory tucked into the social studies standards, I knew I could no longer be silent. As a school psychologist, I have always been proud to be associated with the NDE. However, that feeling has passed. It is now the duty of the board to rectify the situation. If you don't, I have no doubt that the people of Nebraska will. This does not make us domestic terrorists. We are not in the wrong. The Nebraska State School Board is a group of people that should be held to the highest standard. You have failed in this by 1) sneakily appointing individuals that promote LGBTQ sex standards that are inappropriate for young children, which have no backing of science, 2) not listening to the public from the beginning of this process and 3) acting like concerned parents and citizens are an angry mob. We had to get angry in order for you to actually pay attention to us! You have failed. In my opinion, your board should be dissolved.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Lori

Last name *

Samuelson

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First name *

Cathy

Last name *

Frisch

City *

Newman Grove

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Please do not allow our children to be exposed to any of these teachings! They are too young to process the content and will misconstrue it. Parents have the right to decide any and all teaching materials that involve their children and educators must adhere to their decisions. Public schools are funded by parents tax dollars.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Cathy

Last name *

Frisch

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First name *

Amye

Last name *

Dusatko

City *

Bennington

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Amye

Last name *

Dusatko

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First name *

Colleen

Last name *

M Lentz

City *

Ainsworth

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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As a life time resident of Nebraska, raising 3 successful children who all contribute fully & honestly to society and are raising children of their own, I have deep concerns over the proposed health standards and equality/ race theory teachings....non of this belongs in our public schools. Our schools should be teaching the standard/ traditional reading, writing, math, science, history classes. These proposed curriculum's are so far from the teachings of God and good honest learning practices. Every parent has the right to know and contribute to what their children are learning in the public schools and for the DOJ to think otherwise is disheartening! Signed, a very concerned Wife, Mother & Grandmother who rejects all of this garbage.

Signature

Please type your first and last name again. This will appear with your written comments and serves as your signature.

Signed,

First name *

Colleen

Last name *

Lentz

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Identification

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First name *

Pamela

Last name *

Frecks

City *

Cambridge

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Considering your past performance of deception to the parents, grandparents, and taxpayers of the great state of Nebraska, we the people are concerned that you may not yet be fully aware of the tyranny that we face in this country. We expect that you will make a public response and objection to the tyrannical plan of federal agencies to victimize those who speak to protect our Nebraska children.

Signature

Please type your first and last name again. This will appear with your written comments and serves as your signature.

Signed,**First name ***

Pamela

Last name *

Frecks

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Identification

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First name *

Lana

Last name *

Fox

City *

Bellevue

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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In the words of Condoleezza Rice in regards to teaching CRT, making a white child feel guilty about what happened to blacks in the past is not helpful to the black's cause. And in my opinion, teaching about gender identity does not belong in an elementary school. Also changing the names to a different ones to try to hide it from parents shouldn't be happening, and it is in some of our schools in Nebraska.

Signature

Please type your first and last name again. This will appear with your written comments and serves as your signature.

Signed,

First name *

Lana

Last name *

Fox

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Identification

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First name *

corinne

Last name *

jarrett

City *

LINCOLN

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I have had children and now grandchildren in various schools. I have also been employed by public schools. CRT does nothing but promote racism, common sense dictates that. it needs to be removed . sex information other than biology and science class needs to be eliminated. Parents are the teachers of those kids sex instruction the best solution for every school is to have bible study. you will see a better world.

Signature

Please type your first and last name again. This will appear with your written comments and serves as your signature.

Signed,

First name *

corinne

Last name *

jarrett

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First name *

Janet

Last name *

Heimer

City *

McCook

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Please, please, do not introduce values of which parents do not approve such as:

The health sex education standards process appears to have been manipulated from the very beginning. No follow-up comments or action plans have been made to prevent this from happening again, so how can we trust the Nebraska Department of Education or the State School Board Members?

Equity and Anti-Racism resources are still being promoted by the Nebraska Department of Education. Please review them!

The Nebraska State Board of Education must make a public statement condemning the recent Department of Justice's directive, which includes labeling concerned parents as domestic terrorists. Nebraskans need reassurance that the state school board values parental involvement and respects parental rights.

Signature

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Signed,

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First name *

Nancy

Last name *

Nelson

City *

Sutherland

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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The Nebraska Board of Education needs to stay out of this subject completely. Have any of you been in a class room lately? We are trying to teach kids in over crowded classrooms with learning disabilities. It is hard enough to just get the reading, writing, spelling and math in let alone science and history. Why don't you worry about how are kids are doing in these areas.

What you are proposing in the standards should not be taught to any kid of any age. We are born male and female, man and woman, boy and girl. Stop trying to teach kids evil. Why don't you instead get the Bible back in our schools, teach right and wrong.

Better yet I feel that the Board of Education needs to be disbanded all together and each school district take over the education of our kids. We know what our kids need, but we are having to follow standards made by people sitting in an office and not going out to the schools in the western part of our state.

Thank you
Nancy Nelson

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Nancy

Last name *

Nelson

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First name *

Pamela

Last name *

Fredrickson

City *

Omaha

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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To whom it may concern,

We would respectfully like to remind you where your authority over education ends. You do not have the authority to impose questionable theories and unethical beliefs on children. The department of education does not have the right or the authority to promote abortion against the values of parents. They do not have the right or authority to ignore physiology and create gender confusion. They do not have the right or authority to expose kids to sordid, explicit sex education using pornography.

Let us also remind everyone that every parent has the right to raise their own children with their own beliefs outside of school in their own home. We don't all share the same beliefs. The department of education is without question, overstepping their bounds and imposing their far left inappropriate teaching on children in public schools paid for with our tax dollars. This has been addressed a number of times, and yet they continue to ignore the community of parents, grandparents and tax payers who have a genuine concern over the education of our children. Parents will continue to speak up without fear. There is nothing more precious to us than the children.

Respectfully,
Pamela Fredrickson
Omaha, NE

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Pamela

Last name *

Fredrickson

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First name *

Francis

Last name *

Kuhlman

City *

Grand Island

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Why do you create racial tension when in many places in Nebraska, there is none.

You say in:

Facing History – “Preparing Students for Difficult Conversations”

Lesson 1 of 11 Facing Ferguson

"You may also want to share the definition of racism by Dr. Beverly Daniel Tatum, or another definition you have used in the classroom, and discuss students' responses.

In her book *Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria?*, Dr. Tatum does not characterize racism as overt discrimination or individual acts of hate. Rather, she defines it as one's benefiting from a system of privileges based on race that are subtly ingrained in the surrounding culture, making them difficult to detect. It is possible for people of color to be prejudiced on the basis of race, but the social system is never in their favor. This is racism. She compares racism to smog: "Sometimes it is so thick it is visible, other times it is less apparent, but always, day in and day out, we are breathing it in" (page 6).

Now create a classroom contract. Acknowledging that these complicated feelings are in the room

My Analysis:

In her book *Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria?*

analysis: It is not wrong for groups of students to sit together based on common interests:

membership in the debate team, Jocks sit w. Jocks, Druggies sit with Druggies, Intellectuals sit w other nerds, etc. or, women to sit with women because they relate to each other better and have more in common, and also the races to sit together because they relate to each other better and have more in common. Lets not jump to conclusions that this is caused by Racism. Thus fueling the myth that Racism is EVERYWHERE, and EVERPRESENT.

Likewise when she compares racism to smog: "Sometimes it is so thick it is visible, other times it is less apparent, but always, day in and day out, we are breathing it in" (page 6).

No, we are not "always breathing it in". Teaching our kids that they are always breathing in racism is deceiving them and trying to convince them that they are now racist. so they had better change, and had better make reparations, too.

But this stupid lesson goes on to say:

Now create a classroom contract. Acknowledging that these complicated feelings are in the room

Well, what if they are not in the room. Do I still have to "acknowledge that these feelings ARE in the room," just to get a good grade?

Please stop making racists out of all our children. Stop laying a guilt trip on all of them.

It seems that given your bent for critical race theory, and CSE, and evolution the only sensible and practical thing to do is pull our kids out of Public schools.

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First name *

Christine

Last name *

M Vail

City *

Brule

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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This comment is being addressed to the Nebraska Board of Education or should we call it NE board of indoctrination? The evidence is apparent that this existing board needs to resign and beg the state's forgiveness. You have all been exposed for the attempt to radicalize children for the benefit of the leftist liberal agenda. The people and taxpayers have no confidence in any one of you. We have seen and read the letters that were exposed by parents about your attempt to put LBGTQXYZ in front of any other educational aspects. Your attempt to place normalization on CRT/SEL, Sexualization education and small children's gender identity qualifies you criminal behavior. Normalizing sex is in direct conflict with parental rights. I am confused. When did the NDE become the pusher of mores and values? Your morals and the people of Nebraska are very different. The time is coming for a complete cleansing of this board. People are asking for the NDE to be abolished and that may not be a bad idea, but, before that happens, every single one of you members need to resign and beg for our forgiveness. The time cannot come soon enough to see this collusive group end, Go back to your hidey holes and never appear in public again. There will come a time when you will not be able to walk down the street.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Christine

Last name *

Vail

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First name *

Stanley

Last name *

Blackmore

City *

Lexington

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I am a grandfather that can't visit his grandchildren because my son was indoctrinated by the school system. I wasn't paying enough attention then, but you've got my attention now. The Social Justice you're teaching our kids is ruining families, and your Health (SEX) education is warping their morals and understanding of a normal relationship. It's long over due to get back to basic education in our schools, all people should be judged by their caricature and not the color of their skin.

Signature

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Signed,**First name ***

Stanley

Last name *

Blackmore

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First name *

Sharon

Last name *

Klanecky

City *

Grand Island

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I have taught for over 34 years and am now a retired teacher. As a mother of two, I strongly feel that Draft #1 and Draft #2 Health Standards need to be scrapped!

First of all, Health Standards are not mandated by Nebraska law. There is only so much time in the day. Our priorities of reading, math, and science are already taking so much time that one or more of these very important subjects would be sacrificed.

Since the proposed health standards include allowing children to "pick" their gender, this will only confuse them and cause more chaos in the schools with restrooms, locker rooms, sports, etc. Also, if we start planting thoughts in young minds about hormone therapy, they may decide to change their bodies to find out later, they made a mistake with lasting negative results. These standards are having our 3rd grade children learn about sexual intercourse when they are NOT developmentally ready. There are many other topics taught at an early age that are of grave concern to the people of Nebraska. I have talked to many in District 6 who agree that these Health Standards have got to be scrapped!

I am also appalled at what is on our Nebraska Department of Education website! Resources, such as The 1619 Project, which teaches Critical Race Theory only victimizes our people of color and divides our children. When reading the questions from the study guide, they are stated in a way that would encourage our children to think that blacks are oppressed. The biased wording in these resources is used to deliberately persuade our children to think a certain way. This is wrong!!! We have black people who have been and who are today, successful leaders. Our superintendent of our public schools is a black woman. Why are we trying to teach our children that if you are white, you are an oppressor and if you're black, you are oppressed? When we focus on the color of a person's skin, we are actually going against what Martin Luther King Jr. was "fighting" for when he said, "I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character." This means that emphasis needs to be placed on a person's words and actions, not on the color of their skin.

You need to scrap Draft #1 and Draft #2 Standards! Also, get rid of the Critical Race Theory resources that are on our NDE website and do what is best for our future, our children!

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Signed,

First name *

Sharon

Last name *

Klanecky

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First name *

Peggy

Last name *

Bybee

City *

Hickman

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Please do not teach CRT in our public schools. God created male and female, not gender neutral people. The Bible is clear about this. Killing babies in the womb is wrong. White people are not white supremacists. The only people that are racist are those trying to change our children's mind. Our parents should have the right to voice their opinion. The teacher union is not in control. It is we the people. I therefore request critical race theory not be taught to our children. It is only a step to create more division. United States has been a union depicting moral values. If anything should be brought back into the schools is teaching the 10 commandments. And starting our day in allegiance to United States and prayer to God. Thank you

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Peggy

Last name *

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First name *

Joy

Last name *

Wamsley

City *

Merna

State *

Nebray

Written Comment

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Social engineering should NOT be part of our children's education! They are in the school system to learn not be integrated with your or the government officials social agenda! Parents have the right to protect their children from this happening! When the government takes over parental rights, that is scary! Welcome to communism!! Please protect our children from this socialist / communist takeover of them and our parental rights!!

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Joy

Last name *

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First name *

Vicki

Last name *

Johnson

City *

Omaha

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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STOP CRT and the new sex Ed protocols! Most sane Nebraskans don't want it. Who is funding Deb Neary?!?! Why is she trying to ram these insane ideas on our children! Just STOP!!

Deb Neary, STEP DOWN!! YOU are the bully!

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Vicki

Last name *

Johnson

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Identification

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First name *

Lynn

Last name *

Weist

City *

Omaha

State *

NE

Written Comment

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I am writing in continued objection to the Nebraska State Board of Education's health sex education standards proposed this year. Discussion on these standards were "tabled" but not definitively scrapped altogether. This reluctance to fully abandon the proposed standards furthers the mistrust Nebraska parents have towards the Board of Education.

In matters of morality and social conduct relating to sexuality, it is the parents right and duty to educate their children. Many of the proposed standards are in direct opposition to our deeply held beliefs and, we feel, are harmful to our children.

We welcome a process that is above board and includes voices that truly represent all of Nebraska parents, not just one ideological view.

Thank you.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Lynn

Last name *

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First name *

Leslie

Last name *

Sikyta

City *

Ord

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I condemn the fact that parents were called terrorists. Parents know their children better than anyone else and they have all and every right to know and choose what is being taught to them. I oppose there previous things that the Board of Education was trying to pass and anything g to do with CRT.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Leslie

Last name *

Sikyta

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Identification

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First name *

Jennifer

Last name *

Zierner

City *

Lincoln

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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CRT AND CSE HAVE NO PLAVE IN OUR SCHOOLS. If you continue to push these you will continue to see mass exodus of students to homeschool or go private. Only child predators would promote and push such disgusting books and curriculum to our kids. It's sick and won't be tolerated. There are already plenty of anti bullying campaigns that can be promoted regarding the LGTB kids. Stop trying to specialize our kids. Regarding CRT, this is racist and again will not be tolerated. You are creating division amongst our kids who just want to be with their peers and not see people based on differences which is the opposite of what should be taught. Focus on getting the proficiency and testing scores higher, this state is embarrassing.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Jennifer

Last name *

Ziemer

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First name *

Jessica

Last name *

Mittelstaedt

City *

Kearney

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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The proposed health sex education standards are disgusting and demoralizing to our children. They should NEVER be approved!!!

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Jessica

Last name *

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First name *

Kathy

Last name *

Peter

City *

O'Neill

State *

Ne

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Nebraska State Board of Education,

Parents need to be heard and listened to, they want the very best for their children. How can CSE and CRT be beneficial when it teaches children to hate who they are and others. CSE teaches them to be promiscuous. Children are not miniature adults and need to be children.

School is for subjects like math, English etc., not for indoctrinating social and political agendas. Don't lie to them or yourselves anymore- be responsible and do the right thing! Thank you.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Kathy

Last name *

Peter

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First name *

Teresa

Last name *

Cook

City *

Kearney

State *

Ne

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Hello. I am writing to express my disappointment in the way this Board has handled this whole debacle regarding the Health standards.

The shadiness, lack of transparency and lying that has been done by some of the board members is inexcusable.

Please do the right thing and resign. The trust in this Board has been broken and it can not be fixed until each of you resign and the whole health standard agenda be scrapped.

The parents and grandparents are not going away so please don't try to sneak it in. Scrap it. It is the right thing to do.

I pray for each of you and I thank you for waking us up. We did not realize that in Nebraska this could even be an issue but we were wrong so now the sleeping lion is awake.

Please resign.

Thank you.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Terea

Last name *

Cook

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First name *

Orrin

Last name *

Schaeffer

City *

Thedford

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I see that racism is continued to be brought up and pushed upon children. It is more important to simply tell children to respect each other no matter how they look or act and no matter the differences this would be much more effective. Everyone on this planet is different in physical makeup and this is ok. Don't push race!!

There do not need to be class discussion about sexual orientation. There are male and female and that's it. Outside of that no other gender orientation needs to be discussed!

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Signed,

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Orrin

Last name *

Schaeffer

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First name *

Marvin

Last name *

Tiffany

City *

York

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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To start with; parents are not domestic terrorists. Parents have every right to know exactly what is being taught to their children. Subjects about sexual orientation and/or other sexual topics should be left to the parents. Or, if this subject is presented in the classroom the parents should be advised about this prior to this interaction with the child.

Another topic that has no business in schools up to and including high schools is the Critical Race Theory. This topic can cause confusion about identify instead of presenting a team approach to children and their classmates.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Marvin

Last name *

Tiffany

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First name *

Marc

Last name *

Mcgowan

City *

Unadilla

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Putting the stuff in public schools is disgraceful I cannot even imagine why we would subject our children to this type of propoganda in a public school we will not stand for it. Why can't we teach children about the Bible and what the Scriptures say oh wait it may offend people because there's so many different religions now in this country will just as they find it Offensive so do we the people about the critical race theory and the new sexual standards and it will not be tolerated remember who put you people where you are and who feeds your family without us there is no you.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Marc

Last name *

Mcgowan

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First name *

Joan

Last name *

Garvey

City *

Omaha

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Other than parents, teachers are without a doubt the most important people in our society . I praise them for their choice of career as it is a total giving of oneself. I want to support them and value them.

That said, I am extremely concerned about all the things being taught in our public schools besides the basics and plain old kindness which is always best taught by example . Our children are way behind other countries in those basics (the three R's) and that is because our schools are trying to teach things they have no business teaching .

I am particularly concerned by the teaching of critical race theory and the constant emphasis on race and victimhood. This will help NO ONE least of all people of color. CRT encourages people of color to think of themselves as either victims or superior to others. Most concerning it encourages bad feelings toward people of color different from theirs. What happened to equality and color doesn't matter.

The schools have no business teaching anything that involves controversial subject matter such as sexual behavior and mores, transgenderism ,what a family is etc., and the people of this state wont stand still while the teachers unions try to indoctrinate our children.

We will be watching.

With all my heart , I thank those of you sincerely committed to our children's learning, happiness, and success in life.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Joan

Last name *

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First name *

Kelli

Last name *

Jacobson

City *

Omaha

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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As a parent, I am deeply concerned about the direction and decisions the NDE is taking. Any social justice issues should absolutely not be taught or used in Nebraska! The new health guidelines that have been manipulated and secretly pushed into the curriculum are not based on science and are only politically motivated. We can teach history without the "theory" of CRT. CRT is racist and is only pushed by those who are. Again CRT is political and should not be taught in Nebraska schools! It is also unbelievably disturbing that The Nebraska State Board of Education has NOT condemned the department of justice's directive that labels parents as domestic terrorists!!!! What the hell are you people thinking?? Not only should you denounce the letter/memo condemning parents, but you should terminate your membership and affiliation with the NSBA like so many school boards have!! Nebraska needs to step up and defend American values and parents rights, teach real education, and help put a stop to all these destructive agendas!!!

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Kelli

Last name *

Jacobson

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First name *

Cyndi

Last name *

Splear

City *

Lincoln

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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NDE,

We would ask that the board release a statement rebutting the DOJ statement condemning parents for speaking out at board meetings. Please reassure parents you respect their involvement.

We have not seen any followup / action plan on how the board will prevent manipulations in education standards(such as the sex education standard) in the future. Transparency must be a priority if the board cares to respect parents rights.

We urge a close look be taken at the Equality and Anti-Racism resources still promoted by NDE. These should be provided to parents for overview.

Thank you for your time.

Cyndi Splear

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Cyndi

Last name *

Splear

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First name *

Joy

Last name *

Boggess

City *

Elkhorn

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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This is not "education" and has no place in our public school system. If people think this is important, they can teach it to their own kids and not force everybody else's families to be subjected to this. So many families feel uncomfortable with this. I am very angry this is still up for debate. This should not be in public schools!! This is a social issue, not educational-so let's keep it out of our education system. Please do the right thing and let parents decide what social issues to teach their own kids, based on their own personal beliefs and do not pass this.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Joy

Last name *

Boggess

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First name *

Sierra

Last name *

Charsley

City *

OMAHA

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I'm upset that these issues are already coming back to be discussed. I do not agree with schools teaching anything about the critical race theory, or the new health ideas. Such topics should be taught in the home. Don't overstep parents!

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Sierra

Last name *

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First name *

Katie

Last name *

Lentz

City *

Ainsworth

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Please stop forcing a perverted sex education agenda on our children. To do so is unconscionable! Parents have a right to teach their children about sex the way they want to and at the age they want. Please just have the schools stick with the 3Rs (in other words just basic learning of math, English, world history, etc.!)

Signature

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Signed,**First name ***

Katie

Last name *

Lentz

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Identification

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First name *

Jason

Last name *

Gantz

City *

Gordon

State *

Ne

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Stop trying to push CRT and sex ed in the school curriculum. Stop trying to indoctrinate our kids. This is child abuse.

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Signed,

First name *

Jason

Last name *

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First name *

Alejandro

Last name *

Santamaria

City *

Omaha

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Hi, please condemn the recent Justice Department directive labeling "terrorists" to concerned parents who are looking after their children's best interest in what is thought in public schools in the great state of Nebraska. The federal government is overreaching and should approach this matter way differently than what they are proposing.

Sincerely,
Alejandro and Emily Santamaria

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Alejandro

Last name *

Santamaria

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First name *

Emma

Last name *

Barborka

City *

LINCOLN

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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The Nebraska State Board of Education must make a public statement condemning the recent Department of Justice's directive, which includes labeling concerned parents as domestic terrorists. Nebraskans need reassurance that the state school board values parental involvement and respects parental rights.

I REQUEST THAT The Nebraska State Board of Education WITHDRAW FROM THE NATIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION ORGANIZATION.

PLEASE TAKE A STAND AGAINST RACISM AND PORNOGRAPHY BEING TAUGHT IN NEBRASKA PUBLIC SCHOOLS! TEACH US HISTORY, MATH AND CRITICAL THINKING INSTEAD!

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Emma

Last name *

Barborka

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First name *

Teress

Last name *

Phillips

City *

Omaha

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Nebraska needs to eliminate all branches of the Teachers' Union: OEA, NSEA, and NEA. They are nothing but a radical, political, organization. They influenced the government during covid with mask mandates, vaccines and closing down schools. Nebraska needs to join the other states that have abolished the "union". The organization divides people. The CRT and Sex Education programs are nothing less than propaganda and indoctrination. Nebraska needs to follow suit and get rid of them!

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Teresa

Last name *

Phillips

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First name *

Donna

Last name *

Streeter

City *

Ord

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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It is absolutely necessary that The Nebraska State Board of Education makes a public statement condemning the recent Department of Justice's directive, which included labeling concerned parents as domestic terrorists. While no one condones violence, parents do have the right to express their concerns. Both the DOJ and Nebraska parents need to hear that the NE State School Board values parental involvement and respects their rights to speak on behalf of their children. Do the right thing.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Donna

Last name *

Streeter

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First name *

Ellen

Last name *

Snoddy

City *

Omaha

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I'm writing about Nebraska's letter-to-be regarding the controversy of considering regular parents "domestic terrorists." I see from reading the letters that other states have sent, that they pretty much universally repudiate the strong arm tactics that the government wants to implement. They even have withheld sending yearly dues or have outright quit the organization. I couldn't agree more. To treat parents like they are terrorists even if words get a bit heated is so anti and unAmerican. We need caring and informed parents who know and love their kids best to stay involved in their education. Thank you.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Ellen

Last name *

Snoddy

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Identification

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First name *

Kendra

Last name *

Gauksson

City *

Lincoln

State *

Ne

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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The NASB has been exposed for exactly who they are. Concerned parents are not domestic terrorists. And if you don't separate yourselves from them, you are complicit in their horrific claims.

Where do you think we/ our children would be if we all just stood back and let you/ nasb take the reigns?

Also we're not letting down on the crt and cse proposals. Don't think we're not still watching!

Also, Deborah Neary needs to resign for her outrageous behavior regarding cse!

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Kendra

Last name *

Gauksson

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First name *

Brianna

Last name *

Rerucha

City *

Bellwood

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I was born and raised in the great state of Nebraska. I am a deeply CONCERNED mother of 2 amazing kids. I have family all over the state, mostly in rural areas, and have observed that the majority of people living away from the "big" cities of eastern Nebraska have a conservative mindset and raise their kids with these conservative values too. That is why I am very concerned about the proposed new health sex education standards and highly OPPOSE them. I oppose teaching these new standards to our students. Please consider the grassroots, conservative values that make our state great as you convene. Thank you!

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Brianna

Last name *

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First name *

John

Last name *

Roberts

City *

Lincoln

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I am requesting that the Nebraska State Board of Education immediately withdraw its membership from the National School Boards Association. The NSBA wrote a letter to the Justice Department to investigate and prosecute parents as domestic terrorists for daring to advocate for their kids. This is outrageous and is clearly an attempt to muzzle and intimidate parents, who are their own children's best advocates. Being a parent is the most important job in the world. Parents are responsible for providing for, protecting, educating, nurturing, and so much more that is required to raise their kids. Parents want what is best for their kids. And when parents become aware that school board decisions are harming their kids, such as by requiring masks or indoctrinating them with critical race theory, parents have the duty to speak out against those efforts.

As elected officials, state school board members are directly accountable to the voters parents they represent. Local school boards are designed to receive and reflect parent input. Board meetings are supposed to be open to the public with the opportunity for public comment by parents. But now that parents are opposing harmful decisions made by school boards, school boards want to treat parents as domestic terrorists. That is wrong.

You need to send a message National School Boards Association by immediately withdrawing your membership. You need to stand up for parents in Nebraska and fight any attempts to silence us.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

John

Last name *

Roberts

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First name *

Kathleen

Last name *

Kauth

City *

Omaha

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I am requesting the NSBOE formally reject in writing to the DOJ, FBI, AG Merrick Garland, the abhorrent concept that parents who are passionate about their children's education are somehow "Domestic Terrorists". Garland's response to order the FBI to engage with local police to make sure parents aren't acting up is a clear example of further federal overreach.

School Board meetings are local issues. Should there be any sort of crime actually committed (and yelling is NOT a crime - even if the individual being yelled at is an elected official) LOCAL police are the appropriate authorities. The fact that AG Garland thinks he can deploy federal agencies to threaten and intimidate parents is disgusting and unconstitutional.

Nebraska State Board of Ed. must make a public statement repudiating this totalitarian attempt to crack down on free speech.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Kathleen

Last name *

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First name *

Judi

Last name *

Korte

City *

Hallam

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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For many years education has become more intrusive into what should belong to families. Sex education belongs to parents or grandparents not to schools. Stop overreaching. Concentrate your efforts on teaching kids to read fluently, write effectively, and enable them to do math functions. In other words, readin' writin' and 'rithmetic. Include social studies, geography, history and science. Eliminate all the touchy feely classes. Get back to basics.

While you're at it, disengage from the National School Board Association. In Nebraska, we don't believe parents are terrorists. If this is too much to ask of you perhaps you need to reconsider your position. Maybe retirement would be best for you. Thank you.

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Signed,

First name *

Judi

Last name *

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First name *

Judy

Last name *

Derr

City *

Amherst

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Thank you for your service on the school board. We want to make sure the proposed health standards stayed shelved! We also would like to see more accountability and transparency from the board, in addition to the recent FOIA discoveries. Trust has been broken. We also would like to see the state school board meetings to be held at various points in the entire state of Nebraska. Thank you.

Signature

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Signed,**First name ***

Judy

Last name *

Derr

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First name *

Robert

Last name *

Derr

City *

Amherst

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I am writing to ask the proposed health standards remain on the shelf and preferably, deleted. I would also like to see the state school board meetings held outside of Lincoln. This would be more fair to the citizens of Nebraska and also show the board was really interested in all Nebraskans. I would also like to ask if any specific board members are going to be held accountable for the recent foia releases!!! Thank you very much.

Signature

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Signed,**First name ***

Robert

Last name *

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First name *

Wendy

Last name *

Claussen

City *

Atkinson

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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The directive from the Department of Justice is outrageous. This, along with Critical Race Theory and fueling division through "Anti-Racism" and "Equity" jargon are anti-American. Perhaps the Nebraska Department of Education and the State School Board need to review each other and clean house. Honor our families. Do it right- serve with a good conscience. And begin by rejecting the directive.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Wendy

Last name *

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Identification

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First name *

Jaime

Last name *

Schmidt

City *

Firth

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Please Block the Department of Education from creating Health Standards. These have been a farse from their initiation, not needed education but special interest groups pushing their agenda. Please show that you want parental involvement in your decision processes. Please stop the pushing of indoctrination of teachers in the idea that they must promote politically based ideas of equity and detrimental anti-racism rhetoric in schools..

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Jaime

Last name *

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Identification

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First name *

Sheena

Last name *

Kinnan

City *

Cozad

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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To the Nebraska Department of Education, I am writing this letter to be included in public comment. After the decision to indefinitely postpone the health standards, there are still questions that remain.

1. Why is there not an active investigation into the process used to develop the standards?

It has been more than evident that this process was manipulated from the very beginning. There is proof. People need to be held accountable for their actions. I am requesting a full investigation and that the people responsible for this be terminated or resign effective immediately. Also, what is being done to change the process to ensure this doesn't happen again?

2. Why has the Nebraska Board of Education not made a public statement condemning the actions of the NSBA and the Justice Department. Calling concerned parents domestic terrorist is entirely out of line...in every way. Being a concerned, vocal and involved parent does not justify the label of terrorist. Perhaps the reaction the school boards are getting is in response to their actions, their lies, their deceit and their intent to put our children in harms way. Does the Nebraska Board of Education value the opinions/concerns of parents? I am asking you to prove it! Stand up for us and our rights to have an input, an input that is heard. Tell the NSBA and the Justice Department that you value the parents in your state and their input.

3. Why is Equity/Anti-Racism still being promoted by the Nebraska Department of Education. That has no place in our schools. It needs addressed. What are we going to do to stop this?

Our children in the state of Nebraska deserve our very best. The Nebraska Board of Education is not giving that. You have lost the trust of parents across the state of Nebraska. Now is the time to take steps to start rebuilding those relationships. It all starts with answering these questions and taking actions that promote and represent the values and opinions of the citizens you are representing.

Please understand that we love our kids and want what is best for them. And we will keep fighting to ensure that happens.

Thank you.

Sheena Kinnan

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Sheena

Last name *

Kinnan

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First name *

Karen

Last name *

Jurgens

City *

Firth

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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It is your job as a board of education to make sure our kids are given knowledge in order to become productive citizens. It is not your job to push your opinions on the innocent. More people are fed up with how our country is going and standing up to change it. We will elect people into office who have common sense and know the difference between a girl and boy, racism and imagined racism. Do your job and keep your opinions to yourself!

Signature

Please type your first and last name again. This will appear with your written comments and serves as your signature.

Signed,

First name *

Karen

Last name *

Jurgens

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Identification

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First name *

Katie

Last name *

Paziak

City *

Omaha

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Now I am being told that I am racist because I am white. This is simply not true. I love all people who God has made in his image. This teaching on critical race theory, the Black Lives Matter protests, all of this is making it very difficult to teach my children that we are all made in the image of God, all equal in his eyes. Because a new standard is being made. And now I am fighting to not be a racist, because that's what our culture is promoting. Racism.

Please, do everything in your power to affirm to the Nebraska schools that critical race theory will not be taught. Thank you for your time.

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Signed,

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Omaha

State *

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First name *

Josh

Last name *

Brokering

City *

Hickman

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Let's protect our schools and our children. Keep divisive CRT out of our schools, and keep inappropriate sexually explicit books out of our libraries. Give parents the information you plan on teaching for sex ed and let them explain things first if they wish, and don't force it on our young elementary students. Be open about what is being taught and sent into our schools and allow parents to voice concerns.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Josh

Last name *

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First name *

Paul

Last name *

Fredricks

City *

Hastings

State *

NE

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I am very concerned about what you called Health Standards. They were nothing but a political agenda put forth by State School Board. Your board is not to put forth political agendas but help local schools teach the children in each District how to think not what to think. What to think is up to the parents. You need to support parents rights not undermine them. I hope you will not try to put your political in the back door. We will be watching!!!

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Signed,**First name ***

Paul

Last name *

Fredricks

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First name *

Valerie

Last name *

Karsjens

City *

Ogallala

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I am surprised that anyone would need to have the reasons why it is not a good idea to introduce and teach detailed sexual information to children 5 to 10 years old unless the goal is to promote early sexualization to promote early sexual activity. After extensively reading SIECUS 3R's, the point is sexualization - not knowledge about one's body or its development. Neither did the first standards do an effective job in presenting how to prevent sexual abuse, physical abuse, or relational abuse. CSE also presented that being transgender or professing a different sexual orientation than heterosexual was something wonderful and grand. You weren't wanting to teach "facts" you were striving to make sure your opinions were a major influence on children too young to even understand the concepts. For the last 20 years or so the school system has determined that THEY are the ones who should mold students into happy, healthy, well-adjusted members of society using the tactics of demonizing parents and God (not religion) to do it. So how successful has this grand vision been?

Suicides among children and young people aged 10 to 24 rose 57% from 2007 to 2018. When it comes to bullying, in 2019, 52.3% of students said they had been bullied at school compared to 38.6% in 2016 (a 35% increase). In addition, 30.4% of students said they had bullied others at school in 2019, compared to just 11.4% in 2016. There are about 160,000 children that miss school every day out of fear of being bullied. School hierarchy also state their methods are the way to prevent depression, anxiety and mental illness in children. Again the numbers don't support that. The rate of individuals reporting symptoms consistent with major depression increased 52% in adolescents from 2005 to 2017. Given that the increase in mental health issues was sharpest after 2011, Jean Twenge, PhD, believes it's unlikely to be due to genetics or economic woes and more likely to be DUE TO SUDDEN CULTURAL CHANGES.

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Signed,

First name *

Valerie

Last name *

Karsjens

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First name *

Mary

Last name *

Nickel

City *

Cambridge

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Commissioner and SBOE, I am a 68 yr old Nebraska resident, married, mother and grandmother, registered to vote, retired registered nurse. I am submitting once again to let the SBOE know that the citizens of Nebraska demand transparency in your actions and you are accountable for the previous actions of this board. To be clear, there has come forward by reputable source by way of FOIA-acquired emails that your member Deborah Neary was emailing with or without the general knowledge of this board a Planned Parenthood ally to shape radical Sex Education curriculum for the public schools in Nebraska. These articles contain specific examples signifying deceit, dishonesty, manipulation. The children of Nebraska deserve the best education possible! Instead, it appears the SBOE and NSEA is only interested in promoting CSE and CRT(SEL). Communicating with parents and taxpayers is your responsibility and obligation. It will be very hard to ever trust you! I am outraged that the DOJ directive labeling concerned parents domestic terrorists! I believe a public statement from the Nebraska State Board of Education condemning this letter is imperative ! Maybe, Nebraska parents and concerned conservative citizens should thank you for opening our eyes to the dishonesty of this board. I applaud Protect Nebraska Children Coalition for their leadership and support. Thank you. Sincerely, Mary Nickel

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Mary

Last name *

Nickel

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First name *

Sue

Last name *

Rikli

City *

KEARNEY

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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The Health Standards need to be DROPPED, not set aside. All the teaching and books promoting race, division, and focusing on traits that cannot be changed should also be DROPPED. I realize the current system and curriculums are inundated with inclusiveness, diversity etc, all of which change the focus and motive for learning and how students see themselves and others. This is indoctrination, not education. This is not serving the people of Nebraska, but rather unacceptable ideologies which are being pushed in government, education and our entire society. They are far from what our country was founded upon...which is the Bible which God gave as a guide for humanity. It is not wise to so blatantly "thumb our nose" at Him who gives us life. I beg you to change your minds, to look into Truth as God gave it. There is much more to life than these short years we have here on earth and we've been given a Guide to follow. Most of what you've been planning is going the wrong direction. It is good for no one. Not even you.

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Signed,

First name *

Sue

Last name *

Rikli

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First name *

Linda

Last name *

Bryant

City *

Panama

State *

Ne

Written Comment

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Really? This board wants to label parents and citizens who attend your meetings and voice their opinions domestic terrorists? That is insane and strikes me as very cowardly.

The fact that this board wants to promote racism and sexual abberation as a normal part of a child's education is disturbing for many reasons. How is either of those topics part of a curriculum? Let's focus on giving students a valuable education to help them be successful in life and careers. Let parents parent and teacher teach educational skills.

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Signed,

First name *

Linda

Last name *

Bryant

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First name *

Steve

Last name *

Hedgecock

City *

Gretna

State *

Nebraska

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Sex education in schools has gone from a 'health' stand point to outright advocacy promoting sex. Sex education was in 5th grade the boys got recess and the girls watch a health care film on menstruation cycles and how to handle the monthly cycle.

Everywhere I read about the LGBT++ people getting into schools under the guise of sex education when they (and the elected Board) openly advocate their particular lifestyle choices, THAT NORMAL CITIZENS DO NOT WANT OR NEED their children exposed too.

It seems that the 1980-90's pedofiles have moved from the churches to the education department.

This is NOT education, it is indoctrination.

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First name *

Ella Mae

Last name *

Koch

City *

Martell

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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In the strongest possible way, I oppose the fact that concerned parents would or could be labeled as domestic terrorists for speaking up in any schoolboard meeting to express their opposition to anything their children are being taught! And, in the strongest possible way, I oppose the teaching of Critical Race Theory and sex education in schools. Those are to be taught at home by parents. Much of what is being taught, or is being proposed, engenders chaos, anarchy and civil disobedience. Not much of what is being taught in any way prepares students for living a decent, caring and productive life. And our Country and our culture are being destroyed because of it.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Ella Mae (Ellie)

Last name *

Koch

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First name *

Susan

Last name *

Horst

City *

Gretna

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Please respond to the accusations against Deborah Neary using the emails acquired by the Protect Nebraska Children Coalition as a starting point. These clearly show Ms. Neary abused her authority in an effort to inject sexual grooming into the K-12 education process in Nebraska. Ms. Neary was deceitful and manipulative throughout the process, outright lying to parents & citizens. It is disgusting and deserves a comprehensive investigation. Parents need reassurance from the NDE that this is being investigated and prevented from happening in the future. In addition, I would like to see a statement condemning the DOJ's directive labeling concerned parents as domestic terrorists. Parents have every right to have input into their children's education process and the NE State Board of Education should value that input.

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Signed,

First name *

Susan

Last name *

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First name *

David

Last name *

Zebolsky

City *

Omaha

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Clearly the state board of education is biased in the formation of the proposed perverse education standards, dependent on an immoral point of view, excluding the ideals of most Nebraskans. They only allowed "experts" who served to advance their own perverse agenda and betray the Nebraskans they claimed to serve. Their characterizations of Nebraska parents as being secondary, unimportant, or "hateful", point to their incompetence. From these emails alone, Deborah Neary obviously is unfit, representing only a small minority of the population who would want to impose these evils on young children in the name of education. The board remains intent on excluding Nebraska parents in favor of their own misguided, twisted beliefs. This has been factually demonstrated by thousands who have objected to the details of these perverse standards, over and over during the last year.

With this clear email evidence implicating herself and others, Deborah Neary must resign immediately, completely unfit. Other board members should tender their resignations as well, cooperating with an astonishing display of decadence proposed for our greatest citizens, our youth, who's advancement and education should be elevated to the highest Nebraska values, not corrupted. A child acting out these proposed perverse standards could be breaking laws regarding minors and sexual activity. It should be criminal to groom children in the detail of these proposed standards that introduce and encourage young students to sexual immorality, who will surely suffer the consequences with sexually transmitted disease, emotional and possible physical trauma from perverse sexual acts, false teaching, abortion, and the denigration of moral Nebraska values, which obviously they are unconcerned. Abstinence is the only way to avoid these evils, and the people of Nebraska should abstain every member of this incompetent board of education.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

David

Last name *

Zebolsky

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First name *

MARNI

Last name *

HODGEN

City *

Omaha

State *

NE

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Written Comments *

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The sex ed health standards were manipulated and basically copied verbatim from the NSE, myself and others have shared this information in prior meetings. The people on the writing and advisory teams were also heavily slanted toward people with LGBTQ organizations or Planned Parenthood. There was also clear omission of other viewpoints (Catholic educators, parents, etc). These issues have been addressed and brought to your attention when the emails between board members were read at the September meeting. What is being done about this imbalance? The best thing to do is get rid of the standards. Also what are you doing in regards to the DOJ letter? The NDE should make a statement condemning it, as it calls parents domestic terrorists and is attempting to silence our voices. Also, the books that are floating around in the libraries are sexually explicit and pornographic. Technically the schools are in direct violation for having such material in their libraries and can be held accountable to the law. Put this garbage out. It has no business being in our schools!!

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Marni

Last name *

Hodgen

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Identification

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First name *

Les

Last name *

Korte

City *

Hallam

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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On November 2nd elections were held across this nation. There was an uproar in the form of votes against what our children are being taught in our schools. I am against the teaching of CRT and sex education in our Nebraska schools and will find out who is pushing this and will participate and vote accordingly.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Les

Last name *

Korte

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First name *

Nita

Last name *

Lechner

City *

Grand Island

State *

NE

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Written Comments *

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I am a former educator of 32 years, and a sex education teacher. Please know I stand 100% against the Comprehensive Sex Education that has been tabled!

I also stand as a parent and grand-parent who feels strongly about my right to express my concerns about any educational issue which effects Nebraska students K-12 and above! Voicing my opinion does not in anyway make me a domestic terrorist.

I object to CRT or CSE being taught in any NE school, no matter how the draft reads. I have NO trust in the NE board members at all, after the manipulation and deceit and unwillingness to listen, without negative gestures, body language, and personal email comments between members.

Lastly, NDE does NOT need to write curriculum for Human Development for NE schools.

I desire board members of integrity fighting for NE students who will do them NO harm!

In HEALTH,

Nita Lechner

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Signed,

First name *

Nita

Last name *

Lechner

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First name *

Teresa

Last name *

Carey

City *

Wilcox

State *

Nebraska

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I, as a grandmother, taxpayer and a concerned citizen that cares about the children in my community am strongly opposed to the indoctrination of our children with Critical Race Theory or "Equity" training and the perversion of Comprehensive Sexuality Education.

According to Nebraska Statute 79-725 teachers are to give special emphasis to common honesty, morality, courtesy, obedience to law, respect for the national flag, the United States Constitution, and the Constitution of Nebraska, respect for parents and the home, the dignity and necessity of honest labor, and other lessons of a steadying influence which tend to promote and develop an upright and desirable citizenry.

NO to CRT! CRT is divisive, racist, and demeaning to one's self-image and judgmental of others. It has no place in our schools. The SEL curriculum should also be banned! Trying to sneak it in is deceitful and underhanded.

And the CSE has no business being in the classroom. It is one step toward grooming our children for pedophiles & pedophilia & sex trafficking with the perversion it teaches. A lot of people would have a hard time talking about this stuff let alone trying to teach it to minors! It is illegal! It is pornography!

We would lose some good teachers that truly cared about teaching our children to grow up to be productive/contributing members of society.

Don't try to take over the job of the parent and confuse our children with alternative lifestyles!

Let the kids be kids! They shouldn't have to be burdened with these heavy issues.

Teach the children to think critically, to appreciate differences, to respect others and work hard for what they earn.

Teach them HISTORY AS IT HAPPENED so they can appreciate just how fortunate we are to be living in this time and in such a GREAT COUNTRY!

GOD BLESS THE USA!!!

CRT, SEL & CSE ARE NOT IN THE BEST INTEREST OF OUR CHILDREN!

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Signed,

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Teresa

Last name *

Carey

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First name *

Amanda

Last name *

Ripley

City *

Lincoln

State *

Ne

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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I am not convinced that the health standards will not be addressed again. I am strongly opposed to either of the drafts that were presented. The boards lack of transparency causes further skepticism that you have truly shelved the standards. I would ask that you give parents confidence that you will not address these again. I also ask that you would address schools teaching racism and critical race theory under the guise of equity and anti racism. I am well aware of examples of racism being taught in Lincoln public schools. The sboe needs to take a stance against crt, second step, sel. These have no place in our schools. Children are being bullied and assaulted. They are not safe. It is not race based. If children were taught to be kind regardless of our differences it would cover a lot more. Crt is only perpetuating division. Finally I would challenge you to pull away from the national board that called concerned parents dangerous domestic terrorists. You have been given a responsibility in educating our children. You are in elected positions. Elected by the people. We have a right to hold you accountable

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Signed,

First name *

Amanda

Last name *

Ripley

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First name *

Elissa

Last name *

Martin

City *

Lexington

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Thank you for allowing public comment this month. I think it is very important for you to hear from your constituents who you represent, and I appreciate your willingness to do this.

Since I am not able to attend in person this month, I had a couple of issues I wanted to raise. First of all, I am still very upset by the lack of the board and the commissioner's acknowledgment of the involvement of activists in the health standards process. Despite the fact that this has been well publicized in media outlets, you have yet to make a public statement or to apologize for the fact that you LIED to the public numerous times when asked about this issue.

Secondly, I would like to know why the locations (at least the cities) where the board meetings are to be held is not public prior to a week before the meeting. Since it is on the agenda for this meeting, I am assuming you have an idea of this information a year in advance, and it would be helpful to communicate that with the public as well.

Signature

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Signed,

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Elissa

Last name *

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First name *

Patrick

Last name *

Martin

City *

Lexington

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Where is the accountability? You lied to the people and parents of Nebraska when you told us that there were no activists involved in the writing of the health standards. What's more, you repeated this lie, trying to get us to believe it. All trust has been broken, and we are watching your actions closely.

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Patrick

Last name *

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First name *

KIRBY

Last name *

WILSON

City *

KEARNEY

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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To be read and entered into the public record.

Due to the outright dishonesty and deceit from Matthew Blomstedt and Deborah Neary and others in the NDE proven by the emails found in the FOIA requests, I am asking that no more board meetings be held until there is a vote by the board that they be removed from their positions. All confidence in their ability to represent the students in the great State of Nebraska has been lost and any continuance of their involvement in these proceedings will prove beyond any doubt that the entire State board of Education and Nebraska Department of Education needs to be dissolved and replaced by an entity that can be held responsible to the tax-paying citizens of this State.

Kirby L Wilson
Kearney, Ne. 68847

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Kirby

Last name *

Wilson

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First name *

Merlyn

Last name *

Bartels

City *

Upland

State *

NE

Written Comment

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Written Comments *

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Good morning I am sending this to encourage you to distance yourself as a State Board from the National Board Of Education since they are calling parents voicing concerns over issues in education as terrorists. You as the State Board need to make a statement condemning the recent DOJ letter targeting concerned parents. It is our right to question some of actions of the school boards. Also I would like to see some action taken against Deb Neery for her involvement of the Health Standards ,where you as a board told the people you had no input in these standards ,but as we found out in World Hearld article on 10 -10 -2021 that she was involved with several groups . She should be asked to resign or have some consequences for her actions . Thank you for your time . Merlyn and Pat Bartels

Signature

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Signed,

First name *

Merlyn

Last name *

Bartels

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