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I object to these grants because the emphasis to develop "culturally responsive teaching and learning" with "promotion of information literacy skills" is divisive for our country and will not improve our society. These grants should be stopped.

I find it insulting that the proposed priority 1 to incorporate diverse perspectives does not follow the proposed priority 2 to distinguish fact from misinformation. The proposed priority 1 Background starts with misinformation that Covid-19 "highlighted the urgency of improving racial equity". In the state of Georgia on May 12th the death rate by race of confirmed Covid-19 cases to date for White was 2.7% and for Black was 2.5% (https://dph.georgia.gov/covid-19-daily-status-report). Covid-19 does not select by race, but politicians have used Covid-19 as a cloak to push Critical Race Theory.

Proposed priority 1 is to incorporate "systemic marginalization, biases, inequities, and discriminatory policy and practice in American history". The American History should be respected, protected, and not re-written under the cloak of improving racial equity. Cancel Culture must stop trying to remove history that the Cancel Culture does not like. We must always learn from our successes and failures in history. Read the book Left to Tell by Immaculee Ilibagiza (New York, Hay House Inc, 2006) and learn from history that separating races in our country with Critical Race Theory is remarkably similar to the Rwandan culture prior to the 1994 Rwandan Holocaust of 1 million Tutsi.

• Educators in Rwanda were involved in segregation and going as far as Ethic Roll Calls in elementary schools – our elementary schools promoting anti-privilege agendas, our Universities banning

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conservative speech and removing conservative educators from their faculty.

- Rwanda government eliminating Tutsi birth certificates, books, documents of existence our US cancel culture eliminating statues, books, cartoons, Mr Potato Head.
- Hatred in Rwanda was fed by political leaders and the media just like our social media ban of Trump, social media hatred towards Russ Limbaugh after his death, Savannah Guthrie's comment that Republicans need to be re-programmed, BLM riots, reparation movements,
- Rwanda government call to bear arms against Tutsi, to kill instead of working your fields, you have no gun then the government will provide one our government including Maxine Waters Nancy Pelosi and Chuck Schumer calling for public resistance to conservatives, Clinton referring to the Deplorables, Pelosi labeling millions as insurrectionists.

These grants push education programs to teach Cancel Culture and Critical Race Theory hatred. Stop these grants and re-write the priorities.

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