

Special Board Community Forum

Orange County Board of Education



California's Ethnic Study Curriculum and Critical Race Theory

Board Room - Orange County Department of Education

200 Kalmus Dr, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

July 27 & August 24 , 2021

6:00 to 9:30 p.m.

Format

- 6:00 p.m. *Call to Order, Agenda Adoption, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance*
- 6:05 p.m. *Public Comments (PC) - (30 Minutes- 2 Minute each)*
- 6:35 p.m. *Board President transfers meeting authority to facilitator*
- 6:35 p.m. *Moderator provides overview of meeting format*
- 6:40 pm *Expert Panel (Five) introductions*
- 6:45- 7:45 *Expert Panel Opening remarks (12 min per panelist)*
(Start in right to left order)
- 7:45- 8:15 p.m. *Board begins round-robin questions to panelist-6 min per Trustee*
(Begin with Sparks, Williams, Barke, Shaw , Gomez)
- 8:15- 8:30 p.m. *Break*
- 8:30 –9:30 p.m. *Expert Closing Remarks (12 minutes per panelist)*
(Start Left to Right order)
- 9:30 p.m. *Moderator Closing remarks to Board President*
- 9:31- *Public Comments with Board President closing meeting after PC*

**California's Ethnic Study Curriculum (ESC) and Critical Race Theory (CRT):
A Public Forum to Inform Orange County Families
July 27, 2021 & August 24, 2021**

Purpose:

The trustees of the county office of education in Orange County voted in favor of holding a special forum for our Orange County community with dedicated time to evaluate the various complex issues surrounding the implementation of the state approved Ethnic Study Curriculum (ESC) and Critical Race Theory (CRT) in our K-12 schools.

As such, the purpose of holding this special forum is to invite experts to provide testimony, evidence-based scientific data and related legal and scholarly information to shed light on the proper and legal implementation of California's Ethnic Study Curriculum (ESC) and Critical Race Theory (CRT). In addition, the purpose of this forum to accomplish the following:

- Educate Parents and Community members about changes in mandates regarding California's ESC and CRT in public schools.
- Educate Parents and Community members about their parental choices in regards to student participation California's Ethnic Study Curriculum (ESC)and Critical Race Theory (CRT).
- Review state approved adopted curriculum for primary, middle school and high school of California's Ethnic Study Curriculum (ESC)and Critical Race Theory (CRT).
- Provide Orange County school districts with information on California's Ethnic Study Curriculum (ESC)and Critical Race Theory (CRT).
- Answer questions and concerns of constituents about California's Ethnic Study Curriculum (ESC)and Critical Race Theory (CRT).

GOALS

- The purpose of this forum is focused on the goal of "*how to best to serve*" the academic needs of our K12 students.
- Topics and discussion shall be supported in a scholarly, objective scientific manner relying on empirical research, findings, and evidence as related to the proposed lesson plans.
- Ad hominem attacks on opposing views and incivility will not be tolerated or allowed.