

What is Critical Race Theory?

Propaganda

- You are either "oppressed" (minorities) or the "oppressors" (Whites)
- Victimhood calling for "atonement" by oppressors
- Promotes *equity* = *outcomes* rather than *equality* = *opportunity*
- Unequal outcomes = racism

Marxist

- Overthrow democracy
- Overthrow capitalism
- Redistribute assets/income
- Destroy society's institutions, (including education)
- End individual rights
- End free speech

Divisive

- Emphasizes differences (identity politics)
- Pessimistic
- Hateful
- A false narrative
- Racist
- Political power tool

CRT IS NOT:

- ❖ About equality
- ❖ About individualism
- ❖ A civil rights movement
- ❖ Affirming
- ❖ Aspirational
- ❖ Constructive
- ❖ Factual
- ❖ Optimistic
- ❖ Unifying
- ❖ Visionary

How is CRT taught in our schools?

Schools use euphemisms to hide CRT in their curriculums:

"equity" or "equity lens"
"social justice" or "racial justice"
"tackling systemic injustice"
"social emotional learning"
"unconscious bias" or "implicit bias"
"anti-racism"
"interrupting racism"
"cultural proficiency/relevance"
"critical ethnic studies"
"diversity and inclusion"
"white fragility"
"decentering whiteness"
"deconstructing whiteness"
"white privilege"
"1619 Project"
"intersectionality"

*Whatever the phrasing, CRT is racism. It **must be removed** from our schools.*

Elements of CRT are taught throughout Maryland -- metropolitan counties like Montgomery and more rural counties like Calvert.

Tiffany Jewel's *This Book Is Anti-Racist* has been used to teach social justice to Bethesda 4th and 5th graders:

- ❑ Non-White students should "go to the head of the line" while Whites must "step aside".
- ❑ "Fracture the very foundation of our racist society" and "shake it all up so it can crumble".

LOOK for RED FLAGS:

- 🚩 Your child has been told not to show you what they are learning.
- 🚩 Your child acts as if being American is not good.
- 🚩 School curricula are not readily available for parental review.
- 🚩 School focuses more on social interaction than academics.
- 🚩 Your child is taught that race, color, and sexual identity are more important than the quality of a person and their actions.

**RED FLAGS =
TIME TO TAKE ACTION**

What can YOU do?

- ◆ **Challenge** unjust CRT policies
- ◆ **Monitor** Civics and history curricula
- ◆ **Raise** concerns with community groups, your church and political organizations
- ◆ **Research** your school's policy on equity, diversity, anti-racism and intersectionality
- ◆ **Review** textbooks, handouts, and online materials
- ◆ **Run** for a seat on your local Board of Education (BOE)
- ◆ **Speak up** at PTSA gatherings and School Board meetings
- ◆ **Support** School Board candidates opposed to CRT
- ◆ **Utilize** Freedom of Information Act requests
- ◆ **Write** Letters to the Editor

CRT is an attack on:

Our Declaration of Independence:

“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal...”

The principle of equality contained in the Declaration of Independence and codified into law with the 14th and 15th Amendments, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Voting Rights Act of 1965, is rejected by CRT theorists.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.’s legacy:

“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.”

Almost all Americans support Dr King’s dream; and the United States has made great progress towards this goal.

CRT turns MLK, Jr.’s dream on its head:

Ibram X. Kendi has been hired by school systems across our country to spread the hateful ideology in his book, [How to be an Antiracist](#):

- ❖ *“The only remedy to racist discrimination is antiracist discrimination. The only remedy to past discrimination is present discrimination. The only remedy to present discrimination is future discrimination.”*
- ❖ *Capitalism is essentially racist; racism is essentially capitalist. They are birthed together from the same natural causes, and they shall one day die together from unnatural causes.”*

CONCERNED??

You are *NOT* alone. A recent Rasmussen poll found that CRT is extremely unpopular with the American public.

“Latinos and Asians oppose critical race theory by a 2:1 margin (slightly higher than Whites) and Independents...oppose CRT nearly 4:1.”

christopherrufo.com/polling-crt/

Resources:

<https://imprimis.hillsdale.edu/critical-race-theory-fight/>

<https://colorsunited.org/critical-race-theory-is-not-the-new-civil-rights-movement-quite-the-opposite/>

For More Info on How to Combat CRT:

No Left Turn in Education. noleftturn.us
Parents Defending Education. defendinged.org

Black Eye for America: How Critical Race Theory is Burning Down the House by Carol M. Swain and Christopher J. Schorr (2021). [Note: Model School Board Language to Prohibit CRT.]

<https://heritageaction.com/toolkit/rejectcrt>.
<https://1776unites.org> (A project of the Woodson Center, a community transformation and empowerment organization founded by Robert L. Woodson, Sr. in 1981.)

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