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Globalism? Or Global Failure?

A guiding principle revered by the Black Lives Matter organization is globalism. Written as “we see ourselves as part of the global Black family, and we are aware of the different ways we are impacted or privileged as Black people who exist in different parts of the world”.

For years, American public and private schools have lagged behind the rest of the world in reading, math and science proficiency scores.¹² The United States has consistency ranked behind countries such as South Korea, Singapore and Canada, and all the while our education establishment has been controlled by the liberal elite.

Over time a once purposeful system designed to provide knowledge and tangible skill sets has taken on a far more social and cultural role.³ American public schools and educators have, to a significant degree, become tools, used not for the purposes of advancing the abilities of our students, but for re-designing social norms and perhaps radicalizing younger generations. According to the Foundation for Economic Education, the cultural agenda is “an unavoidable, and perhaps insurmountable, failure of government-run education”.⁴

Parents, do you really want a government agenda steering your child into a predetermined social mold and globalist world view?

The American ethic has been distinctly individualistic. This is evident in the language of our founding documents with concepts revealed such as natural laws, individual relationships with our Creator who alone can bestow inalienable rights such as liberty, and that government power ought to be limited to guard against tyranny. One might be hard-pressed to find the ideals of globalism articulated by any of our founders.

¹ Moriah Balingit, Andrew Van Dam. “U.S. Students Continue to Lag behind Peers in East Asia and Europe in Reading, Math and Science, Exams Show.” *The Washington Post*, WP Company, 5 Dec. 2019, www.washingtonpost.com/local/education/us-students-continue-to-lag-behind-peers-in-east-asia-and-europe-in-reading-math-and-science-exams-show/2019/12/02/e9e3b37c-153d-11ea-9110-3b34ce1d92b1_story.html

² DeSilver, Drew. “U.S. Academic Achievement Lags That of Many Other Countries.” *Pew Research Center*, Pew Research Center, 21 Aug. 2020, www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2017/02/15/u-s-students-internationally-math-science/.

³ Hood, John. “The Failure of American Public Education: John Hood.” *FEE Freeman Article*, Foundation for Economic Education, 1 Feb. 1993, fee.org/articles/the-failure-of-american-public-education/.

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Yet today, our educational institutions and leaders, perhaps ashamed by American exceptionalism, are indoctrinating our students, at taxpayers expense, to believe that we need to be more concerned with the welfare of the global community than our own economic growth and success. These values-based conversations may not even be part of elected school board agendas, but rather are being pushed into our schools by educational bureaucrats.

For so much discussion about privilege, it appears that children in the United States are much less privileged than the rest of the world when it comes to early and elementary education. We continue to sink funding into the education system with dismal results compared to our global competitors. It is clear that US school systems need to focus more on math and science rather than social ideologies.

We might have taken our eye off the ball. While liberal education elites have steered us to globalism, we have fallen behind in the academic pursuits that matter most. We need to engage in our students' curriculum to get us back on track. Parent-steered education is a good place to start.

Parents, you need to know what your child is learning in school.

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