



Media Briefing: **Equal Education Rights For All** U.S. Supreme Court Rally on 10/30

AACE & Partner Organizations

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Rally Host and Co-Host Organizations

Host: Asian American Coalition for Education

Co-Hosts:

1. 80-20 Initiative DC Chapter
2. Association for Education Fairness
3. Chinese American Citizens Alliance Greater New York (CACAGNY)
4. Californians for Equal Rights
5. CAPA NoVA
6. Chinese American Heritage Association
7. Coalition for TJ
8. Equal Rights for All PAC
9. NC Asian American Coalition
10. New York Doctors for Equal Opportunity
11. New York Residents Alliances
12. San Diego Asian Americans for Equality
13. Silicon Valley Chinese Association Foundation
14. SOS Admissions LLC

Since 1882, Asian Americans Have Faced Discrimination and Anti-Asian Hate Because of Race-based Policies



- 1882 – Chinese Exclusion Act
- World War II –Japanese internment
- 19th-20th century – Racial segregation before the success of the civil rights movement
- 21st century – College admissions discrimination



- In the 19th century: There were “too many” Chinese in America.
- In the 21st century: There are “too many” Asian Americans in colleges.

Anti-Asian Discrimination at Harvard University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC)



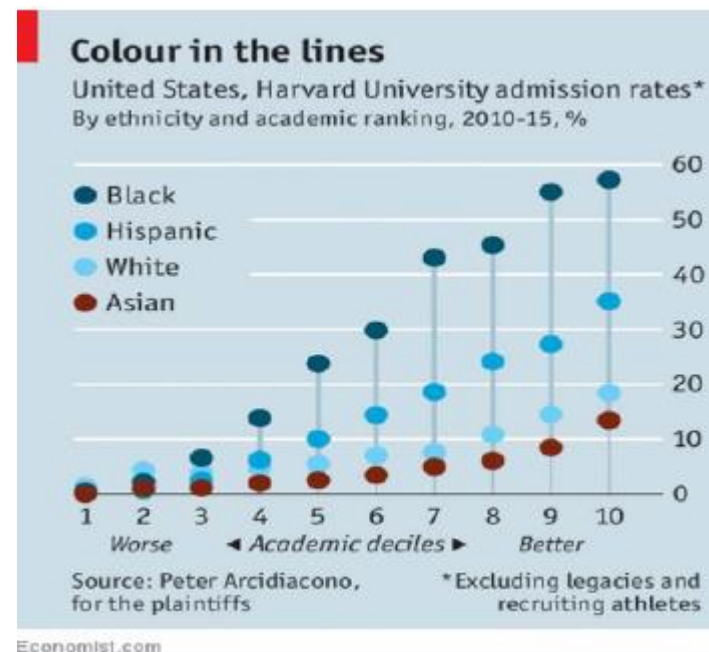
Evidence revealed by Students for Fair Admissions:

- **De Facto Racial Quotas:** Harvard uses “**ethnic stats**” and other tools to manipulate the process so that it essentially achieves the same racial balance year after year.
- **Highest Admission Standards:** Asian American applicants have the lowest admission rate in every academic bracket.

Harvard: Professor Peter Arcidiacono’s model shows that a male Asian American applicant with a **25%** chance of admission would see his odds rising to **35%** if he were white, **75%** if he were Hispanic, and **95%** if he were African American.

UNC: Prof. Arcidiacono’s model shows a male applicant from North Carolina would have a **25%** chance of getting into UNC if he were Asian American, a **67%** chance if he were Latino and **88%** chance if he were African American.

- **Racial Stereotypes:** Despite exceptional credentials on all objective measures, Asian American applicants are consistently rated the lowest by Harvard’s **personal ratings**, which crudely categorize them as unlikeable, indistinguishable, and weak in grit, leadership and risk-taking.

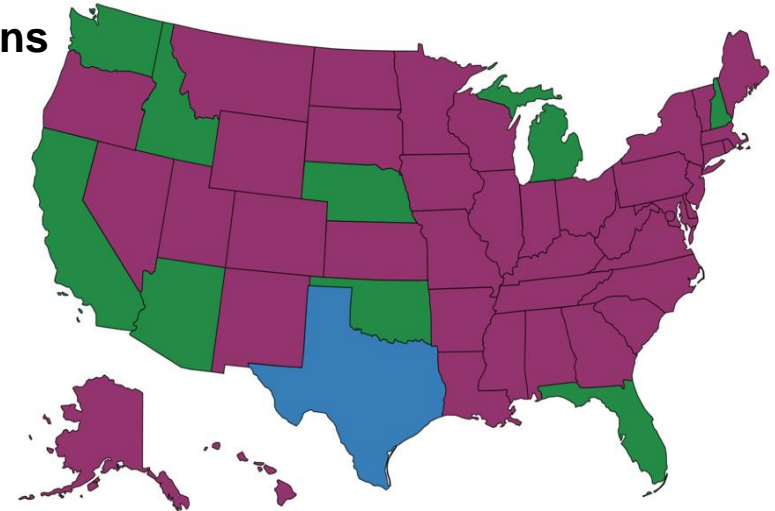


Anti-Asian Discrimination against Asian Americans in College Admissions Is Widespread in 41 States



9 States Have Banned Race-Based Affirmative Actions

2020	Idaho	Statute
2012	Oklahoma	Legislatively referred constitutional amendment
2011	New Hampshire	Statute
2010	Arizona	Initiative constitutional amendment
2008	Nebraska	Initiative constitutional amendment
2006	Michigan	Initiative constitutional amendment
1999	Florida	Executive order by governor
1998	Washington	Initiative statute
1996	California	Initiative constitutional amendment



The other 41 states have not.

Harvard & UNC admission models are used by hundreds of colleges nationwide!

Anti-Asian Racial Discrimination in College Admissions Causes Severe Harm to Asian American Youth and American Society



- Unjustly creates unbearable study loads and stress on Asian American students, possibly a major cause of depression, anxiety and other psychological suffering among too many Asian American youths.
- Undermines trust in American institutions and attack Asian American identities. Too many Asian American applicants must hide their racial identity to get admitted by America's elite schools, and they are treated as second-class citizens.
- Creates racial barriers between Asian Americans and other racial groups.
- Undermines the American Dream, American meritocracy, exacerbates America's STEM talent shortage and jeopardizes economic prosperity.



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Asian American teens have highest rate of suicidal ideation

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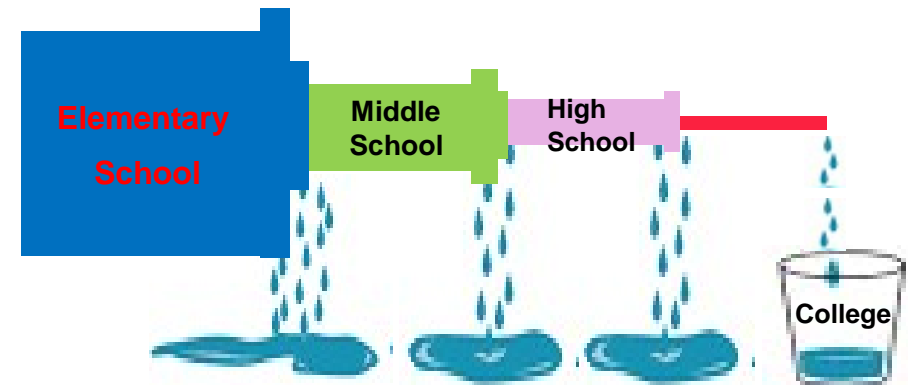
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NEW ORLEANS – In an unexpected finding, researchers discovered that Asian American adolescents had the highest rate of suicidal ideation, per a 2019 national survey of high-school students. According to a weighted analysis, 24% of Asian Americans reported thinking about or planning suicide vs. 22% of Whites and Blacks and 20% of Hispanics ($P < .01$).

“We were shocked,” said study lead author Esha Hansoti, MD, who conducted the research at UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, and is now a psychiatry resident at Zucker Hillside Hospital Northwell/Hofstra in Glen Oaks, NY. The findings were released at the annual meeting of the American Psychiatric Association.

Asian Americans Are Scapegoated for the Failing K-12 Education in Too Many Black and Hispanic Communities

- Meritocracy doesn't discriminate against individuals.
- The root cause of a lack of racial diversity in higher education is the failing K-12 education in too many black and Hispanic communities.
- Too many politicians fail miserably in providing quality K-12 education in too many inner city black and Hispanic communities.



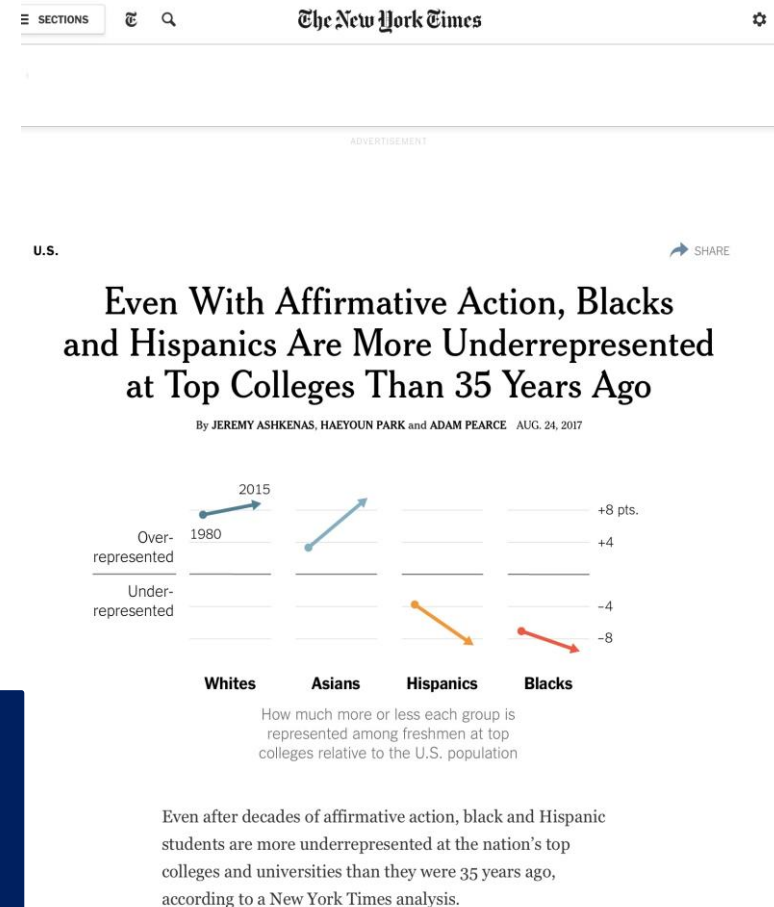
Admissions officers and education officials use Asian Americans as a scapegoat to hide their failure to provide quality K-12 education to Black and Hispanic children.

Affirmative Action Is A Policy Failure Six Decades After Its Inception



- Affirmative action fails to uplift education substantially in Black and Hispanic communities, especially those living in inner cities.
- Affirmative action favors new immigrants from Africa, upper-class and middle-class Black and Hispanic communities, at the expense of poor Asian and white families.
- Affirmative action leads to low graduation rates and mismatches issues among those who were inadequately prepared for college.

The continuation of affirmative action will not uplift education in Black and Hispanic communities, but rather worsen the harm to Asians and other Americans.



Using Race in College Admissions Violates the 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution and Title VI of 1964 Civil Rights Act



- **14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, Section 1:**

All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the state wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the **equal protection of the laws**.

- **Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Non-Discrimination in Federally-Assisted Program)**

No person in the United States shall, on the ground of **race**, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination **under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance**.



14th Amendment and Title VI of Civil Rights Act protect equal rights for all Americans!

Majority of Americans Across All Racial Groups Object to the Use of Race in College Admissions



- Using scientific survey methods in 2019 and 2022, Pew Research Center consistently found: “Majorities across racial and ethnic groups say colleges should not consider race in admission.”
 - Total: 73% in 2019 and 74% in 2022
 - Asian: 58% in 2019 and 63% in 2022
- Affirmative action was rejected again recently by voters in America’s most liberal states: California in 2020, and Washington in 2019.
- Responsible media should stop citing unscientific surveys that used misleading questionnaire designs or other biased approaches to achieve their desired results.

**Majorities across racial groups support our position:
End the divisive and failing affirmative action policies
in college admissions.**

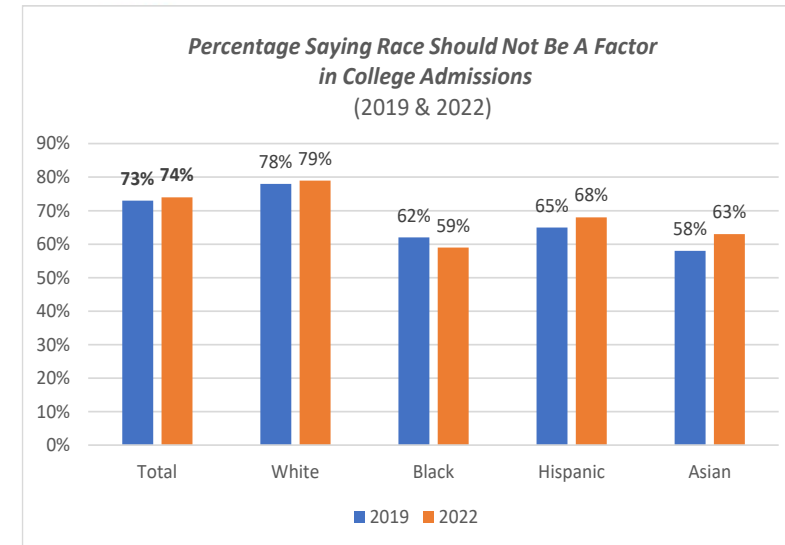


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Most Americans say colleges should not consider race or ethnicity in admissions



should be a major factor in college admissions, while 19% say it should be a minor factor.

Summary of our Messages: Stop Anti-Asian Discrimination, Equal Education Rights for All!



- Since 1882, Asian Americans have been the target of anti-Asian race-based policies and discrimination.
- Anti-Asian discrimination against Asian Americans in college admissions is widespread in 41 states.
- Anti-Asian discrimination causes severe harm to Asian American youth and American society.
- Education officials use Asian Americans as a scapegoat to hide their failure to provide quality K-12 education to Black and Hispanic children, the root cause behind a lack of racial diversity in higher education.
- Affirmative action is a policy failure six decades after its inception.
- Using race in college admissions violate the 14th amendment of the U.S. Constitution and Title VI of 1964 Civil Rights Act.
- Most Americans across racial groups object to the use of race in college admissions

Asian American communities ask the U.S. Supreme Court to eliminate the use of race in college admissions, end anti-Asian discrimination and safeguard equal education rights for ALL Americans!

It's Time to Fulfill Dr. Martin Luther King's Dream!

"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."

-- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



It's time to build the color-blind society that MLK envisioned and uplift those in need regardless of race or ethnicity!



The “Equal Education Rights For All” Rally on 10/30/2022

What: Equal Education Rights for All Rally

When: Sunday, Oct. 30, 2022, 1:30 PM - 4 PM

Where: In front of the US Supreme Court,
Washington DC



- **After 8 years of legal battle, Harvard & UNC case finally reached the U.S. Supreme Court**
- **There are 6 Supreme Court Justices who are likely to protect our constitutional rights**

**Let's unite and speak out, in order to Stop Anti-Asian Discrimination
and Achieve Equal Education Rights for All!**

Asian Americans Have Been Fighting for Our Equal Education Rights for Decades. We Are Truly Grateful to Ward Connerly, Edward Blum and Many Others Who Have Helped Our Fight!



1. **In 1988**, Asian Americans filed a civil rights complaint against Harvard for its discriminatory admissions practices. It triggered the U.S. Department of Education's first investigation of Harvard.
2. **In 1994**, Lee Cheng and others filed lawsuit against racial quotas by Lowell High School of San Francisco.
3. **In 1996**, Ward Connerly successfully led the Prop. 209 campaign to ban affirmative action in California. Under his leadership and influence, eight other states banned the affirmative action in the following decades.
4. **In 2007**, Daniel Gordon exposed anti-Asian discrimination in college admissions in his Pulitzer winning book, the *Price of Admissions* and Jian Li filed a civil rights complaint against Princeton University.
5. **In 2009**, Princeton Professor Thomas Espenshade and his assistant Alexandra Radford revealed selective colleges use higher admissions standard to discriminate against Asian American applicants.
6. **In 2012**, an unnamed Indian American student filed a civil rights complaint against Princeton University and Ron Unz exposed that Ivy League Schools use de facto racial quotas to limit enrollment of Asian Americans.
7. **In 2013**, Michael Wang filed a civil rights complaint against Harvard University and Princeton University.
8. **In early 2014**, Asian Americans initiated grassroots movement to fight against SCA5, an attempt to restore the race factor into University of California Systems. Many AACE founders actively participated in this movement.
9. **In 2014**, **Students for Fair Admissions (SFFA) filed lawsuits against Harvard University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, directly joined Asian Americans fight for equal education rights.**
10. **In 2015**, the founders of Asian Americans Coalition for Education (AACE) united 64 Asian American organizations and filed a civil rights complaint against Harvard for its discriminatory admissions practices, galvanizing Asian American communities strong support of SFFA.