

The Takeover of Race in Education and Its Threat to American Democracy



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The history of race in education in the United States is a long and complex one. It is a history of segregation, discrimination, and inequality. It is also a history of resistance and progress.

In the early days of the United States, education was largely segregated. White children and children of color attended separate schools. These schools were often unequal in terms of resources and quality of instruction. Children of color were often denied access to the same educational opportunities as white children.

The Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s and 1960s led to the desegregation of schools. However, desegregation did not end racism in

education. In fact, in many ways, racism in education has become more subtle and insidious since the days of segregation.

Today, race continues to play a major role in education. Children of color are more likely to attend underfunded schools with less experienced teachers. They are also more likely to be suspended and expelled from school. And they are less likely to graduate from high school and college than white students.

This inequality in education has a devastating impact on the lives of children of color. It limits their opportunities for success and makes it more difficult for them to achieve their full potential.

The takeover of race in education is also a threat to American democracy. In a democracy, all citizens are supposed to have equal access to education and other opportunities. However, when children of color are denied access to a quality education, it undermines the principles of democracy.

We need to do more to address the takeover of race in education. We need to invest in early childhood education and make sure that all children have access to a quality education. We need to end the school-to-prison pipeline and create a more just and equitable system of discipline. And we need to challenge the racist assumptions that underlie many of our educational policies.

The takeover of race in education is a serious threat to American democracy. But it is a threat that we can overcome. By working together, we can create a more just and equitable system of education for all children.

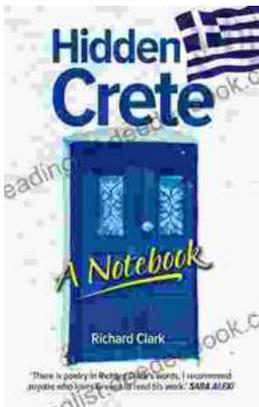


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