

Put Our Schools Under Threat

MAGA Extremists in the Arizona Legislature passed legislation interfering with public school instruction on topics related to racism and race-related issues. Senate Bill 1305, like many other Republican-led attacks on teachers and students, banned the teaching of Critical Race Theory in public schools. Critical Race Theory, or CRT, has become a catch-all term for MAGA Republicans' attempts to ban instruction on racism. According to the Arizona Mirror, "Through the bill, students, employees, and parents would have the option to file a complaint with the school about race-related teaching, and then to elevate that complaint to the State Board of Education or the superintendent of public instruction, if the school failed to take any sort of action regarding the initial complaint. Schools not in compliance with the law could have faced a \$5,000 fine for each violation." Governor Katie Hobbs vetoed SB1305 saying "It is time to stop utilizing students and teachers in culture wars based on fearmongering and unfounded accusations." [[SB1305](#), Arizona State Legislature, Regular Session 2023; Arizona Mirror, [3/9/2023](#)]