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Dear Secretary Daniel French and
Vermont State Board of Education Members,

I
am writing to you as a high school math teacher living
in Bennington. I am excited
to learn that the recommended changes to the Education Quality Standards
(EQS) will promote critical thinking around the history, contributions, and
viewpoints of many different ethnic and social groups and among other
changes provide welcoming spaces for
all students. This work is important to me because when our students of color
thrive, all our students thrive. I have had many conversations with my
students over the years and they feel this is something that is both important
and desperately needed.

I
hope there will be opportunities for public comment so we can share our
voices on this important work. Please Adopt these EQS recommendations
submitted by the Ethnic Studies and Social Equity Working Group so we can
better serve all students in Vermont schools.

Sincerely,

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