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### **The Google Doc where the San Francisco school board did it's research for deciding which historical figures to cancel is public, and it's hilariously bad**

The best part is the "Notes" tab, where someone lays out why the stated reasons are complete BS.

Case in point: "Lowell High School must be renamed because the namesake was a racist."

Notes: "Yeeeah, no, it wasn't named after that guy at all."

(they voted to rename anyway)

Another example: "Paul Revere led the Penobscot Expedition, which led to the colonization of the Penobscot."

Notes: "What? No. The Penobscot expedition was fought against the British, in Penobscot Bay. The natives weren't involved."

(voted to rename anyway)

"Dianne Feinstein was responsible for evicting an entire Filipino neighborhood!"

Notes: "That happened in 1977. She wasn't mayor until a year later."

(voted to rename anyway)

"Abraham Lincoln executed 38 Dakota Indians!"

Notes: "The Minnesota governor was going to execute \*300\*. Lincoln intervened when he had no obligation to, and saved the vast majority of them."

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"George Washington: slaveowner, colonizer."

Notes: "HE REVOLTED AGAINST A COLONIZER TO FREE COLONIAL SUBJECTS. HE IS LITERALLY GEORGE

WASHINGTON. ARE YOU SERIOUS RIGHT NOW."

(voted to rename anyway)

Also, James Lick was canceled for funding a racist statue, but if you click the link it says he funded it \*posthumously\*, so it was his estate that's to blame

Horace Mann-- an abolitionist!-- is not absolved, btw. "more research needed," presumably until we find something.

(for further reading, see this link from a communist newspaper)

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Oh missed this one: "Sanchez was a missionary who served as a military chaplain for the colonizers"

Notes: "guys, the school is \*on Sanchez Street\*, which is named for a different Jose Sanchez."

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