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**SCOOP: San Diego Unified School District tells white teachers they are guilty of “spirit murdering” black children and should undergo “antiracist therapy for White educators.”**

**I've obtained explosive whistleblower documents from the training session. Let's dig in. ■**

This summer, San Diego Unified hired critical race theorist Bettina Love for a district-wide training on "[challenging] the oppressive practices that live within ... school organizations." The district forbade recordings, but my whistleblower took screenshots and detailed notes.



# Bettina Love September 29th

## *You're invited to join us...*

Dear Colleagues,,

We are pleased to invite you to join us in learning together with Bettina Love. Bettina Love is an award-winning author and associate professor of educational theory and practice at the University of Georgia. Her research focuses on bringing people together to "freedom dream" and challenge the oppressive practices that live within the systems and structures of school organizations. Bettina Love was a recent keynote speaker at the August Principal Institute. She is returning to support our collective goals in San Diego Unified to create anti-racist and restorative communities throughout our system. We look forward to this time together and hope that you will join us.

September 29th

8:00-10:00 a.m.

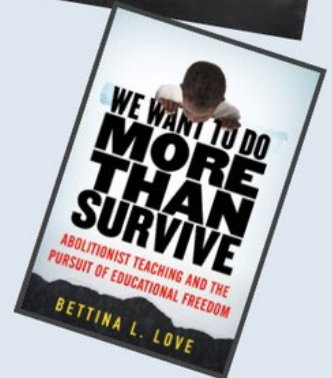
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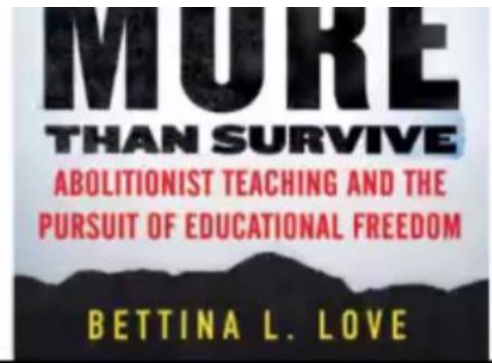
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According to the whistleblower notes, Love began by saying that "racism runs deep" in America and that blacks alone "know who America really is." Love claimed that public schools "don't see [blacks] as human," perpetuate "anti-Blackness," and "spirit murder babies."

idea, of what America really is. We who are dark can see America in a way that white Americans cannot. And seeing our country thus, are we satisfied with its present goals and ideals?

W.E.B. Du Bois (1926)  
*Criteria for Negro Art*



Black brown & indigenous history like no other.

We know who America really is. Racism runs deep and use our children to say we are worthy.

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The concept of “spirit murder” is at the heart of Love’s teachings. Love writes that public schools are guilty of “the spirit murdering of Black and Brown children,” defines as “a death that is built on racism and intended to reduce, humiliate, and destroy people of color.”

SCHOOL CLIMATE & SAFETY COMMENTARY

## How Schools Are ‘Spirit Murdering’ Black and Brown Students



By [Bettina L. Love](#) — May 23, 2019 3 min read

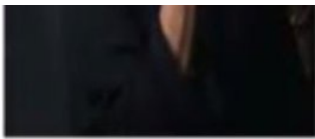


During the presentation, Love argued that “Whiteness reproduces poverty, failing schools, high unemployment, school closings, and trauma for people of color.” She insisted that “white educators must take responsibility” because they uphold “white supremacy culture.”

# TEACHER EDUCATION GAP

For example, many education programs have one diversity course in which White students learn about all the ills that plague dark communities without any context of how Whiteness reproduces poverty, failing schools, high unemployment, school closings, and trauma for people of color. Future teachers learn that dark children are in trauma, dark children are “at-risk,” dark children are “underprivileged,” dark children fall into the achievement gap, and dark communities are underserved, living in poverty. But how did this reality happen, and is that all? Where is the beauty, the resistance, the joy, the art, the healing, redemption, and the humanity and ingenuity of people making something out of nothing? Just as important, where is the critique of the system that perpetuates injustice and dark suffering in and outside the walls of schools?

To correct this, Love argued that “reform will not work” and that schools must adopt “abolitionist teaching” to “remove oppression from its roots.” Love told white teachers they must undergo “antiracist therapy for White educators” in order to overcome their ignorance and racism.



– Nikki Giovanni

BLM posters, corps – no real change. Cheap symbolic.

## REFORM WILL NOT WORK

The practical cost of change for the nation up to this point has been cheap. The limited reforms have been obtained at bargain rates. There are no expenses, and no taxes are required. for Neaeroes to share



San Diego Unified has been radicalized. In recent months, the district announced mandatory diversity training, added a new racial grievance curriculum, and abolished the requirement to turn in homework on time—all in the name of becoming “an anti-racist school district.”



METRO

# San Diego schools won't count attendance or late work toward grades

By Selim Algar

October 19, 2020 | 4:19pm | Updated



Unfortunately, these policies will ultimately harm all students, including minorities. As charter school leader [@IanVRowe](#) argues, the district's policies are a "modern day version of the soft bigotry of low expectations" that will "dumb down the grading system for all."

In October, that "reckoning" led the San Diego board to vote unanimously to "interrupt these discriminatory grading practices." Rather than attempt to replicate the factors empowering the 80% of black students who achieved passing grades, the board's first action to "be an anti-racist school district" was to dumb down the grading system for all. Under the new protocols, all 106,000 San Diego students are no longer required to hand in their homework on time. Moreover, teachers are now prohibited from factoring a student's classroom behavior when formulating an academic grade.

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San Diego schools are pushing the dangerous concepts of "spirit murdering" and whites-only "antiracist therapy."

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