

Music is Racist: Washington State School District Cuts Music Classes over "White Supremacy"



Western Classical Music (yes Bach, Beethoven, Mozart and the rest of the "guys") is the extended soundtrack of the Great Books of the West. They are cancelling the Great Books so now they want to cancel the soundtrack. Our children will lose out from this.

From the [Jewish Voice](#):

The Olympia School District in Washington State has come under fire for cutting music classes for fourth-grade students, with board members claiming they promote **White supremacy culture** and **"significant institutional violence."**

Fox News reported, school Board Director Scott Clifthorne told concerned parents that music courses aren't offered equitably across the district. He said some schools provide the courses at times that would require some students to miss "core instruction," whereas others don't. Rather than address this reasonable concern, he launched into a monologue to claim music classes are examples of "white supremacy" culture.

"We also know that there are other folks in the community that experience things like a tradition of excellence as exclusionary. And I don't think that there are just one or two or 10 or 20 people that think that. But that's not unique to elementary instrumental music. We're a school district that lives in ... is entrenched in ... is surrounded by white supremacy culture. And that's a real thing," Clifthorne said.

"There's nothing about strings or wind instrumental music that is intrinsically white supremacist. However, the ways in which it is and the ways in which all of our institutions, not just schools – local government, state government, churches, or neighborhoods – inculcate and allow white supremacy culture to continue to be propagated and cause significant institutional violence are things that we have to think about carefully as a community. And I think that we have to do that interrogation." he said.