



Your FPF posting

Front Porch Forum <membersupport@frontporchforum.com>
To: Nichole Delong <ndelong4miltonparents@gmail.com>

Tue, Feb 14, 2023 at 4:39 PM

Hi Nichole. Thank you for your response. As previously mentioned, your posting alleges a connection between equity initiatives and a number of different consequences, without any evidence. Such claims do not comply with our Terms of Use.

We acknowledge that these are judgment calls and that not everyone will agree. And, we'll need to leave our exchange there, as we attend to our ongoing work.

Thanks for your consideration. -Sam

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On Fri, Feb 10, 2023 at 4:36 PM, Nichole Delong <ndelong4miltonparents@gmail.com> wrote:
I understand you disagree with the website and will remove it if need be. But, again, can you specify what part of my posting "contain unourced claims that equate equity initiatives to harm." Thank you.
Nichole

On Fri, Feb 10, 2023 at 4:25 PM Front Porch Forum <membersupport@frontporchforum.com> wrote:
Hi Nichole - Thanks for your inquiry. Both the website you link to and your posting contain unourced claims that equate equity initiatives to harm. Such claims run counter to the Terms of Use Section 7, Items c and ee as provided previously.

Front Porch Forum believes all members of the community should feel included, especially historically marginalized groups of people, and your posting runs counter to that mission.

We acknowledge that these are judgment calls and that not everyone will agree.

Lastly, we received your voicemail request to speak with Michael Wood-Lewis. Michael is offline today. We will pass your message to him along with this exchange.

Thank you. -Sam

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On Thu, Feb 9, 2023 at 11:12 PM, Nichole Delong <ndelong4miltonparents@gmail.com> wrote:
I am a bit confused about what I said wrong in this post? Can you please point out to me the areas that go against the community standards? I will make adjustments as needed once you point out the areas that go against your standards. Thank you.
Nichole

On Thu, Feb 9, 2023 at 4:57 PM Front Porch Forum <membersupport@frontporchforum.com> wrote:
Hi Nichole -- Front Porch Forum will not publish your posting, below, as it does not comply with our Terms of Use.

From <https://frontporchforum.com/terms-of-use>:
"You agree not to post, email, or otherwise make available Content...

c) that harasses, degrades, intimidates or is hateful toward an individual or group of individuals on the basis of religion, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, race, ethnicity, age, or disability; or economic, housing, or immigration status (also see <https://frontporchforum.com/racial-justice>)

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ee) post misinformation meant to incite fear, hate, prejudice, or violence; misleading information about medical issues; or content that misleads people about elections or other civic processes; or

Thanks for your understanding. -Sam

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VPACT (Vermont Parents Against Critical Theory)
Nichole Delong • (ndelong4miltonparents@gmail.com) • Murray Ave, Milton
Posted to: Milton
Feb 9, 2023

Dear Milton Residents,

The citizens of Milton care very much about our community and specifically our schools and how they are performing. That includes the citizens, parents, grandparents, and students who are active in VPACT (Vermont Parents Against Critical Theory).

The reason this organization formed was in response to disparate treatment of students, sometimes based on race, or other characteristics, occurring in Milton schools. We all want a school policy that will promote fairness, acceptance and tolerance and teach children to act with kindness. Critical Theory does not do that in our view and further highlights our differences rather than our commonalities. Critical Theory is fundamentally divisive. Find out more about this at [VPACT.org](https://www.vpact.org)

VPACT has grown organically as parents realized they were not alone in their concerns and shared their experiences. Many feel academic instruction has been diluted by the social justice curriculum and this has resulted in declining test scores. Milton schools rank 204-221 out of 279 schools in Vermont with math and reading proficiency rates of 20-24% and ranks in the 21-37 out of 55 high schools with proficiency at 50-54%. See for yourself at <https://www.publicschoolreview.com/math-proficiency-stats/vermont>. The current FY24 proposed school budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$19,480.16 per equalized pupil. This is roughly \$2,000.00 more a year per equalized pupil than last year. Currently, less than 1 out of 4 students can do grade level math.

Students are also suffering because of disciplinary problems preventing them from learning. We understand this is a huge challenge for educators; but is the administration and the school board doing all they can to support the staff to maintain classroom order? We know that Critical Theory is adding to classroom chaos. Has your child been harassed by another student, and nothing happens to stop it? That's heartbreaking for a parent, damaging for a harassed child and the wrong incentive for a child who is misbehaving.

In order to fix problems, you must recognize them, then find solutions. VPACT was created to do just that.

Electing new School Board members who truly care, such as Allison Duquette and Nick Smith is an important step in fixing the current issues within Milton's Schools. Let's move forward together with better ideas and strong representatives who will achieve the improvements that must be made for all our kids' success.

Nichole, Scott and Brock
VPACT - Team