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NYC will pay up to $2M per person to minorities who failed an old teachers exam, saying the test was racist for expecting teachers to be literate. It's settling despite newer teaching exams having similar disparities, dispelling the allegation.

NYC To Pay $1.8 Billion Over Old 'Racist' Teaching …

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The case concerns a test given in the 1990s. Since then, a test called Praxis has been the standard for teachers. It also had huge racial disparities, so New York went to a more subjective one called edTPA. But blacks also failed that one twice as often!

The tests are very easy and essentially evaluate whether teachers could pass the K-12 class they'd be teaching. The argument here is that because of "disproportionality," kids should have to be taught by teachers who don't know the material, dooming those kids to failure.

This is a shocking example of K-12 schools being viewed as primarily a jobs program for adults--adults who are willing to inflict harm on children for their own financial benefit.

The NEA in 2011 said a study (that it co-wrote) showed that Praxis was racist, but the paper actually said the opposite, finding it tracked perfectly with all other indicators of performance, such as GPA and SAT.

Notably, education majors do WORSE on teacher credential exams than other majors. That's really embarassing for a professional training track. But the response to people failing the exams wasn't to improve teacher training so they were smarter; it was to say the test was racist.

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