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EEC Vehemently Condemns Trump’s Racism

The Equity in Education Coalition (EEC) vehemently condemns the words and attitude of Donald Trump. Trump’s recent remarks, though unsurprising, have clarified that rescinding DACA for 690,000 Dreamers, removing protections for 200,000 El Salvadorians, and building a wall on the Mexican border are not about immigration concerns, but about racism.

**Trump is not against immigrants; he is against Black and Brown immigrants.** His "policy" is to accept immigrants from White countries, and remove Black and Brown refugees, immigrants, and legal residents from America.

This is not only vile, but crippling for Washington. Immigrants of every race and nationality have made this state great. Roughly 27% of Washingtonians are immigrants themselves or the children of first generation immigrants. They are teachers, students, parents, doctors, lawyers, neighbors, and community leaders. Washington's immigrant population is the fabric of our communities.

Racism has no place in our White House, in our institutions, or in our communities. His racism cannot be allowed in that Washington or this Washington. Trump's hate speech and racist rhetoric is painful, pitiful, and has got to go.

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The Equity in Education Coalition (EEC) was founded in August of 2012 out of a communities wide, deeply felt concern that the recent Washington State Supreme Court ruling, McLeary v State of Washington would justify even deeper cuts to the state’s safety net, housing, healthcare, early learning and higher education. As Washington’s largest coalition of stakeholders from communities of color, EEC is dedicated to changing the way decision makers on a local and state level view education funding and the opportunity/achievement gap.