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Letter to the Editor

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Subject: Ideas re: John MacMurray's Essay on US Education

Dear Sir,

Thank you for sharing Mac's thoughtful piece on the necessity for an American core curriculum.

While we need a high national bar to establish the standard, it should be free from polemics and agendas.

I especially liked his inclusion of character and morality. The final exam for my high school senior English course asked us to support the following statement based on what we had studied during the year: "NOTHING IS NEITHER RIGHT NOR WRONG. ONLY THINKING MAKES IT SO".

In effect, we were asked to interpret the material through a moral lens.

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