U.S. National Strategy to Counter Antisemitism
A guide for educators and schools

In May of 2023, the Biden-Harris administration released a groundbreaking document with strategic goals for a whole-of-society approach to combating the rise in antisemitism in America. It includes a wide range of roles that different departments of the executive branch of the federal government are called on to play. The White House strategy mobilizes responses across four pillars:

- Increase awareness and understanding of antisemitism, including its threat to America, and broaden appreciation of Jewish American heritage
- Improve safety and security for Jewish communities
- Reverse the normalization of antisemitism and counter antisemitic discrimination
- Build cross-community solidarity and collective action to counter hate

Resources:
- New York City Department of Education’s guide to promoting respect and addressing hate crimes
- Anti-Defamation League’s guide for responding to school-based bias incidents
- American Jewish Committee’s Call to Action Against Antisemitism action items for educational institutions
- Facing History and Ourselves Responding to Antisemitism in the Classroom toolkit
- Berkeley Center for Jewish Studies’ Antisemitism Training Film for college and university campuses
- U.S. Department of Education’s Office for Civil Rights fact sheet on protecting students from discrimination based on shared ancestry or ethnic characteristics
- Shine A Light on Antisemitism’s resources for educators, including lesson plans
- Unpacked for Educators’ curated videos, premium resources and nuanced educational tools to teach with nuance about Jewish issues
- Anti-Defamation League’s new digital course for middle & high school students: Awareness to Action: Challenging Antisemitism

For additional information, support in addressing an incident or a free strategic consultation on preventing and responding to antisemitism and/or anti-Zionism in educational institutions:

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