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Hello Board,

We, Diversify Our Narrative DJUSD, fully embrace and support the implementation of the Identity and Ethnic Literature course. Diversify Our Narrative is a student-led organization that aims to encourage a productive dialogue on race and identity in classrooms through the addition of diverse texts in our curriculum. We firmly believe the best place to begin accomplishing this goal is our English courses. Our organizers, many of whom have taken the English 10 course, know that this action is the correct one to take and that it will greatly benefit our future students and community. The implementation of this course ensures that students will learn from new perspectives, develop empathy for other cultures, and feel represented in our curriculum. It will bring unity and a sense of belonging to our community. We are elated to see this progress, and hope to see further change in our district.