

§ 115C-81.57. Education on the Holocaust and genocide.

(a) This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Gizella Abramson Holocaust Education Act."

(b) The State Board of Education shall review the middle school and high school standard course of study and, in consultation and coordination with the North Carolina Council on the Holocaust and the North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching, shall (i) integrate into English, social studies courses, and other courses, as appropriate, education on the Holocaust and genocide and (ii) develop a curriculum for a Holocaust Studies elective that may be offered in middle schools and high schools of local school administrative units.

(c) The Department of Public Instruction shall provide or cause to be provided curriculum content, and local boards of education shall provide or cause to be provided professional development to ensure that the intent and provisions of this section are effectively implemented. The North Carolina Council on the Holocaust and the North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching may, in consultation with the Department of Public Instruction and local boards of education, provide curriculum content and professional development.

(d) The State Board of Education and the Department of Public Instruction shall review resources and programs developed pursuant to the Never Again Education Act (P.L. 116-141) in satisfying their obligations under this section.

(e) For any standards, curriculum content, professional development, or other materials developed pursuant to this section, the following terms shall be utilized and defined consistent with their definitions in section 3 of the Never Again Education Act (P.L. 116-141):

- (1) Antisemitism.
- (2) Holocaust.
- (3) Holocaust denial and distortion. (2021-180, s. 7.84(b).)