

‘Effectively banned’: Florida’s GOP-lead legislature battles with College Board after voting to strip sections on gender fluidity and sexual orientation from AP Psychology curriculum

The College Board announced on [August 3] that Florida school districts should no longer offer Advanced Placement Psychology, one of the most popular A.P. courses, the latest skirmish in its battle with the state’s Department of Education over how to teach race, gender and sexual orientation.

The College Board, the nonprofit that oversees advanced placement courses and the SAT, revoked its support for A.P. Psychology in Florida, saying it would not abide by the state’s demand to remove a longstanding section on gender and sexual orientation.

“The Florida Department of Education has effectively banned A.P. Psychology in the state,” the College Board [said in a statement](#).

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A.P. Psychology has been around for three decades, and it has included a section on gender and sexual orientation as part of the framework since the course’s inception, the College Board said. The section comes as part of a unit on [developmental psychology](#), spanning childhood and adolescence to older adulthood, with themes on “moral development” as well as on gender and sexual orientation.

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