

Resolution #4

Defending Educators' Professional Responsibilities

- WHEREAS, recently Republicans have introduced legislation targeting critical race theory and antiracist or antisexist training with a threat to cut funding to public institutions in Wisconsin; and
- WHEREAS, professional educators have been targeted with discipline and even termination for defending and advocating for a safe learning environment for LGBTQ+ and non-binary students; and
- WHEREAS, professional educators have been instructed to provide a list of classroom reading materials and curriculum outlines to ensure that no “controversial” content is being taught; and
- WHEREAS, dozens of school board members across the state have resigned due to harassment and bullying over defending students’ health, safety, and well-being; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, that AFT-Wisconsin affirms its commitment to promoting and defending members’ professional responsibilities to their students and their communities; and, be it also
- RESOLVED, that AFT-Wisconsin shall support the efforts of union members, school board members and candidates, University of Wisconsin Regents, and Wisconsin Technical College System Board members who defend educators’ professional and ethical obligations to their students and the integrity of instruction.

Respectfully submitted by AFT-Wisconsin Executive Board