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**TO:** CLUB FOR GROWTH

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**SUBJECT:** RECENT POLL SHOWS VOTERS OPPOSE TEACHING CRITICAL RACE THEORY IN K-12 SCHOOLS AND OVERWHELMINGLY DISAGREE WITH ACTUAL BELIEFS OF CRITICAL RACE THEORY.

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A WPA Intelligence national poll, conducted on behalf of Club for Growth July 20-28, 2021, shows that voters oppose teaching Critical Race Theory in K through 12 schools and disagree when they hear what critical race theory actually believes.

**A plurality of voters opposes teaching critical race theory in K through 12 schools.**

- More than two-in-five voters oppose teaching critical race theory.
- Just 29% support teaching critical race theory in schools.
- Another 28% are not sure.

As you may know, some people believe that critical race theory should be taught in K-12 schools while others say it should not be taught. How about you? Do you believe it should be taught or not?

Should	29%
Should Not	42%
Not Sure	28%

**Support for teaching critical race theory is mostly limited to Democrats.**

- Republicans overwhelmingly oppose teaching critical race theory, with 72% opposed.
- A plurality of Independents also opposes critical race theory in our K-12 schools.
- Only among Democrats does teaching critical race theory receive plurality support.

	Republican	Independent	Democrat
Should	11%	26%	48%
Should Not	72%	40%	18%
Not Sure	17%	34%	34%

**When voters hear what a leading critical race scholar actually believes, they overwhelmingly disagree.**

- Almost 50% of voters disagree that being truly anti-racists requires one to be anti-capitalist.
- Only 15% of voters agree with the statement.

According to a leading Critical Race Theory scholar, “In order to truly be antiracist, you also have to truly be anti-capitalist.” Would you say you agree or disagree with this statement?

Agree	15%
Disagree	49%
Not Sure	37%

**Even a plurality of Democrats disagrees with this statement.**

- Two-thirds of Republicans disagree with the statement.
- Nearly half of Independents disagree.
- Even a plurality of Democrats disagrees with just 21% agreeing.

	Republican	Independent	Democrat
Agree	9%	13%	21%
Disagree	66%	45%	38%
Not Sure	26%	42%	42%

**Methodology**

WPAi conducted a poll of n = 1,000 voters nationwide. Data was collected from a national online panel of voters who have been matched back to their state’s voter files. Fielding was conducted from July 20-28, 2021. The sample was stratified by geography, age, gender, ethnicity, and party affiliation to ensure a representative sample. The survey has a margin of error of  $\pm 3.1\%$  at the 95% confidence level.