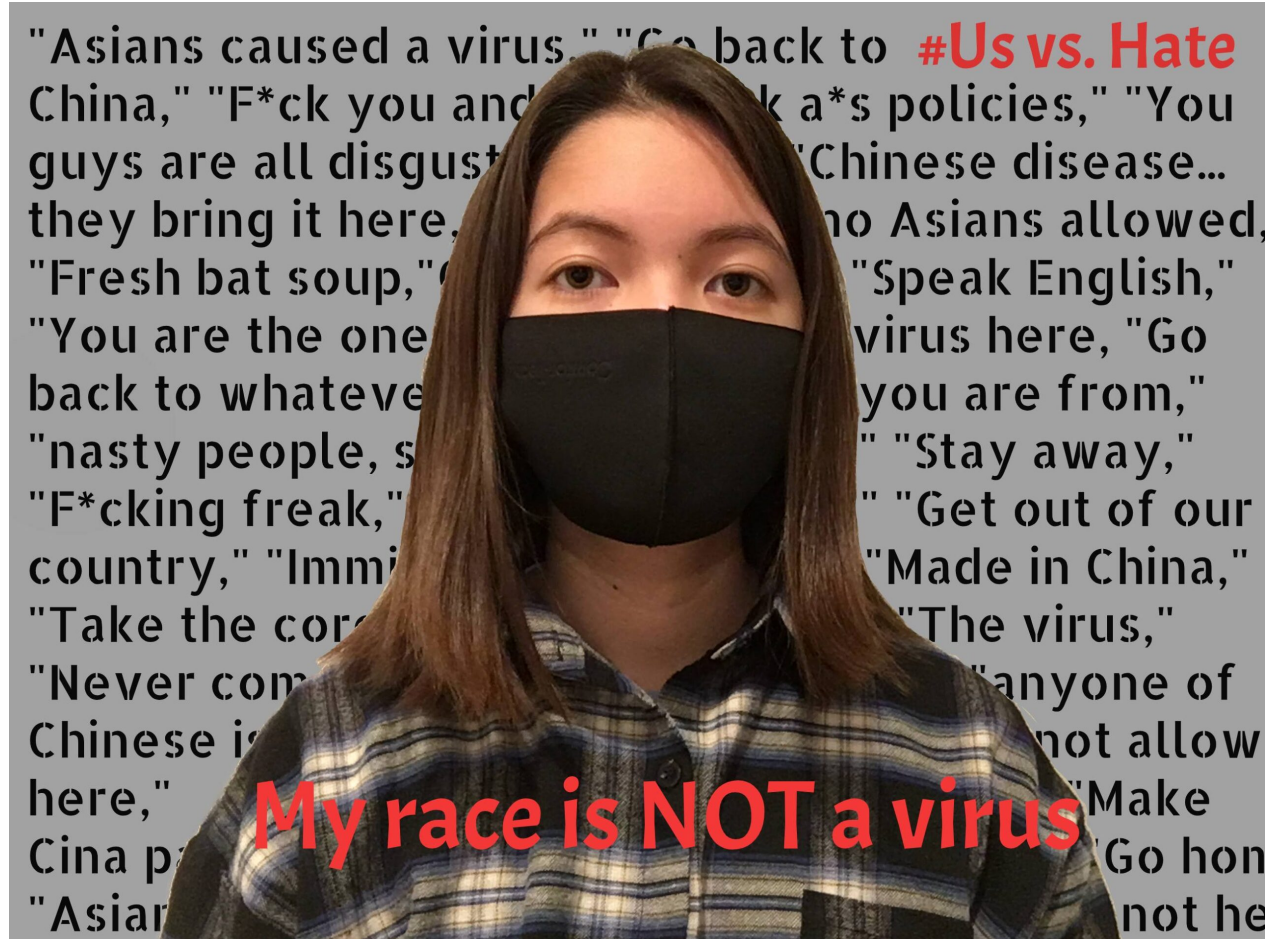


The Rise of Anti-Asian Racism

What can we do?

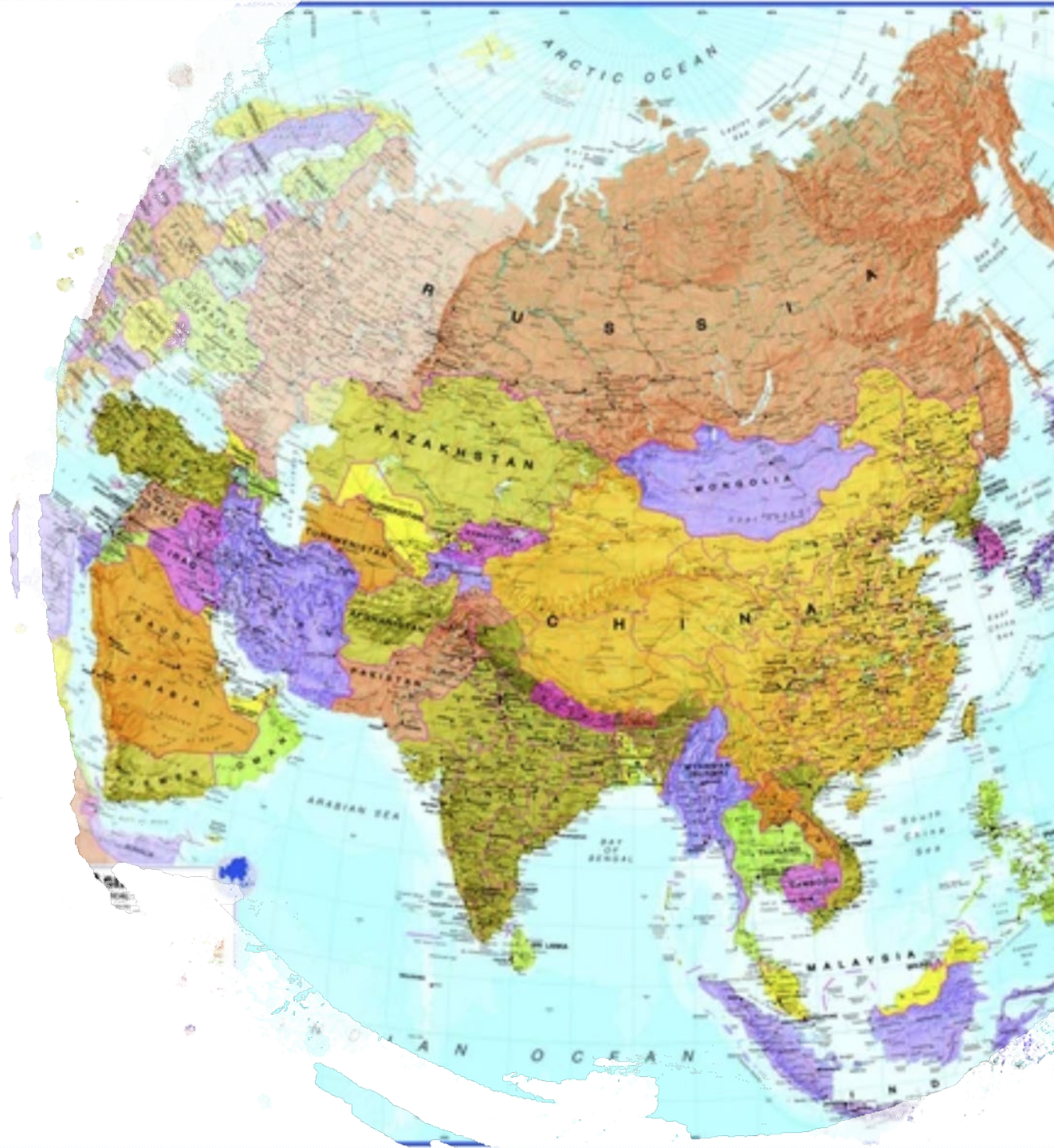


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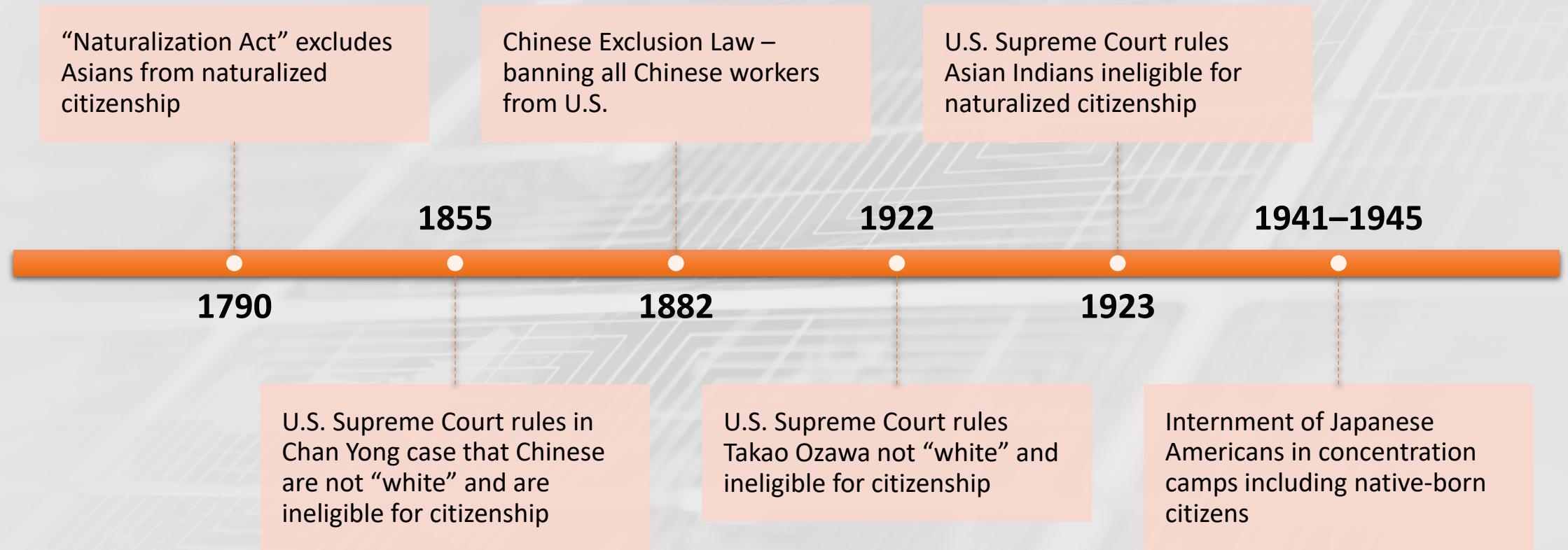
- Write down the images that come to mind when you hear “Asian” or “Asian American”
 - How are Asians and Asian Americans portrayed by the media?
 - How are Asians and Asian Americans perceived by the society?
 - What are some of the myths and narratives about Asians and Asian Americans circulated in the U.S.?

Immense Diversity

- Twenty million Asian Americans can trace their ancestral origins to over 20 countries in East, Southeast Asia and the Indian subcontinent.
- 94% of the total Asian population in the U.S. includes 19 of the largest groups: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Burmese, Cambodians, Chinese, Filipinos, Japanese, Hmong, Indians, Indonesians, Koreans, Laotians, Nepalese, Malaysians, Mongolians, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans, Thai and Vietnamese.
- Asia is home to 2,197 languages.
- The U.S. Asian population grew 72% between 2000 and 2015 (from 11.9 million to 20.4 million), the fastest growth rate of any major racial or ethnic group.



Historical Background





“Worst
Lynching”

- *The Chinese Massacre of 1871 (Los Angeles)*
 - *18 men lynched of the total Chinese population (172 people)*

Asian Americans Discuss Race - 2016

How do these personal narratives help us better understand the racialization of Asians and Asian Americans in the United States?

- What do these stories and experiences make visible for you?
- What questions do they raise?

<https://www.nytimes.com/video/opinion/100000004308529/a-conversation-with-asians-on-race.html>

I had flown from San Francisco and was riding a taxi. The rearview mirror reflected a white man in his forties. “How long have you been in this country?” he asked. “All of my life,” I replied, wincing. “I was born in the United States.” With a strong southern drawl, he remarked: “I was wondering because your English is excellent!” Then, as I had many times before, I explained: “My grandfather came here from Japan in the 1880s. My family has been here, in America, for over a hundred years.” He glanced at me in the mirror. Somehow I did not look “American” to him; my eyes and complexion looked foreign.

Ronald Takaki, “A Different Mirror”



Golden Globes: 'Tears' as Chloe Zhao becomes first Asian woman to win best director

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Golden Globes



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Chloe Zhao makes history



Erika Sadeghi ✓ @elिकासadeghi · 14h ...

Not only was Minari filmed entirely in the US, the whole story takes place in America, is about life in America, was written and directed by an American, produced by an American company, and... *America has no official language*

The New York Times ✓ @ny... · 15h

“Minari” wins best foreign-language film at the #GoldenGlobes 2021. It was filmed entirely in the U.S., but a rule moved it into the foreign-film category because its characters often speak in Korean. nyti.ms/3b2Psfm

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2021 GOLDEN GLOBE AWARDS

“Minari”

Wins best foreign-language film.



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Spring 2020



STOP
AAPI
HATE

Our communities stand united against racism. Hate against Asian American Pacific Islander communities has risen during the COVID-19 pandemic. **Together, we can stop it.**

Report a hate incident in:

Select language 
AN INITIATIVE BY **A3PCON**

ACT NOW



Rise in Anti-Asian Racism

- Between March 19, 2020 (when Stop AAPI Hate began collecting reports) and December 31, 2020, Stop AAPI Hate received over 2,808 firsthand accounts of anti-Asian hate from 47 states and the District of Columbia
- Between March 19, 2020 and December 31, 2020, Stop AAPI Hate received 126 accounts of anti-Asian hate involving Asian Americans over 60 years old (7.3% of total incidents)

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AAPI reports

- Physical assaults made up 8.7% of incidents; coughing/spitting comprised 6.4%.
- Verbal harassment made up 70.9% of incidents; shunning or avoidance comprised 21.4%
- Clear civil rights violations — workplace discrimination, refusal of service from establishments, transit or ride-shares — make up 8% of the incidents
- Businesses were the top site of discrimination incidents, making up 38.1% of locations of discrimination



AAPJ reports



- Vulnerable populations are attacked. Youth under 20 years old make up 13.6% of cases and elderly over 60 years old comprise 7.3%
- Women are attacked almost 2 1/2 times more than men
- Chinese made up the ethnic group most often targeted, making up 40.7% of incidents. Asian Americans as a whole, though, are being racially profiled and attacked. Koreans (15.1%); Vietnamese (8.2%) and Filipinos (7.2%) have also faced COVID-19 discrimination in high numbers

Eighty-four-year-old San Francisco resident Vicha Ratanapakdee, who was born in Thailand, was killed when a man sprinted directly into him at full speed on the morning of January 28, knocking Ratanapakdee to the ground.



Just a few days after the attack on Ratanapakdee, in nearby Oakland on January 31, a 91-year-old, 60-year-old, and 55-year-old were all assaulted, seemingly by the same person, in the city's Chinatown district. All three were shoved from behind and left injured, with all three requiring hospital attention after the attacks.

A Filipino American man received almost 100 stitches after he was slashed across the face by another passenger on the New York City subway last week.

Noel Quintana, 61, was riding the L train to get to work in Harlem on Wednesday, February 3, when a man walked by and kicked the tote bag that Quintana had set on the train floor.

When Quintana confronted the man after he noticed his bag being kicked again, the man took out a box cutter and slashed Quintana across the face from cheek to cheek.

None of the passengers reportedly came to Quintana's aid, according to the report.



Noel Quintana received nearly 100 stitches on his face after an attack on the New York subway. | Photo courtesy of ABC7 New York

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2021/02/27/asian-hate-crimes-attacks-fueled-covid-19-racism-threaten-asians/4566376001/>



Voices of the Community

These hate crimes are “dehumanizing. It’s been a cold, sobering reminder that regardless of your immigration status, how many generations you’ve been here, we continue to have conditional status and to be ‘otherized.’” (Cynthia Choi, 54, co-founder of Stop AAPI Hate)

"No one stepped in to help, even though they saw that I was running up and down the block and around them, trying to dodge the guy from coming at me and continuing to harass me. Anti-Asian hate crimes and harassments like this need to be stopped. There's such a lack of media coverage on this, and we are scared." (Ming, photographer, “The Bing Buzz”)

“They're being targeted as Asians because they (perpetrators) don’t think Asians are going to make as big as a fuss. It goes along with the stereotype that Asians are less likely to be vocal about things.” (Chen, OCA)

“The outrage, the decrying of these recent incidents, is because of centuries of invisibility, of feeling like the history of anti-Asian racism is not known, that what happens to our community is minimized, is overlooked.” (Cynthia Choi, 54, co-founder of Stop AAPI Hate)

- <https://www.bbc.com/news/av/world-us-canada-53199838>

Standing in Solidarity
with the Asian and Asian
American communities

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Scenarios to Consider: What would you do?

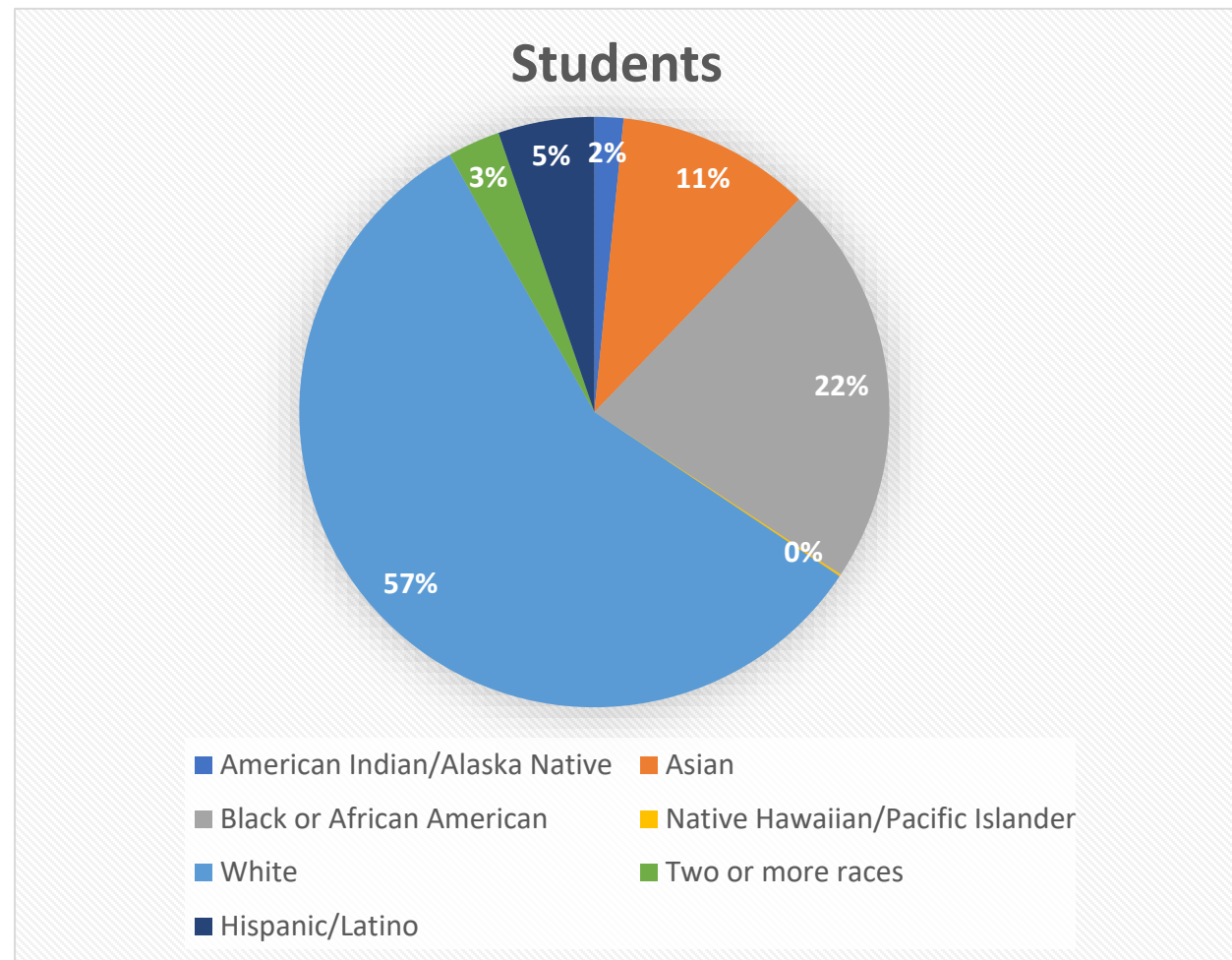
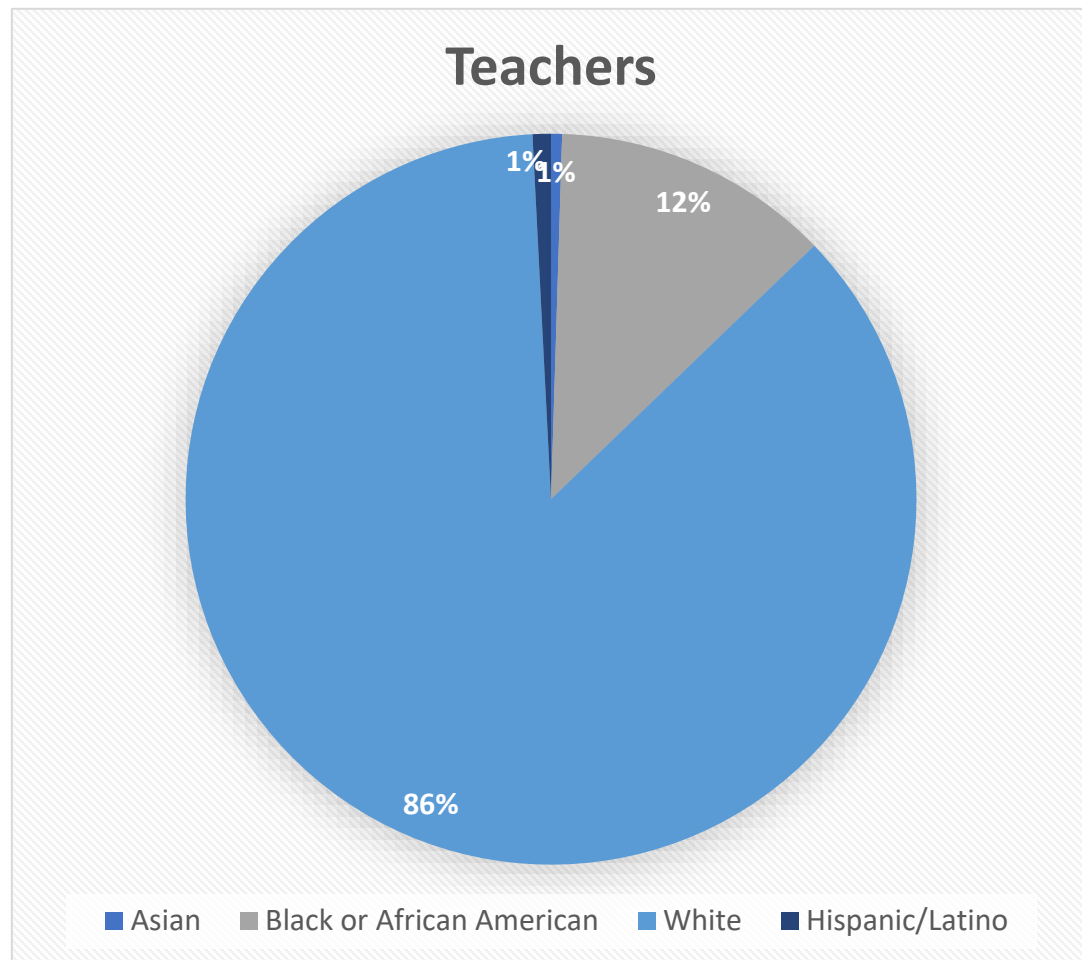
1. You are at a supermarket. You notice that a white woman has approached an Asian family. She is blaming them for the spread of COVID and is telling them loudly to go back to China.
2. You are walking in the street. You notice an Asian woman walking fast trying to move away from a white male following her and shouting obscenities at her.
3. You are at work. You observe a conversation where a white colleague is explaining to your Chinese colleague how to perform a basic work function. You realize that your Chinese colleague is an expert in that area and feels frustrated that he is being lectured in the basics of his job.
4. Your child/grandchild comes home and shares that some kids were calling a Korean boy in their school nasty names, making faces at him, and making fun of the lunch he brought from home. The teacher did nothing to address that.
5. You live in a community with a large proportion of Asian and Asian American families. You are not certain whether they are included in the decision-making processes in your community, such as the development of new HOA rules.
6. You live in a town that tends to downplay racist incidents and sweep them under the rug. You are not certain whether members of the Asian and Asian American communities feel safe and whether they have experienced any form of harassment.

Action Corner

1. What are some local Asian-run businesses that we can support?
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zRDQzEfFe_jN-9eSPfJ1LD_iX5rali7RZqFvKBzWcRc/edit?usp=sharing
2. Petition to encourage support of national media telling the hate stories of Asian Americans
https://www.change.org/p/get-mainstream-news-coverage-of-national-elderly-asian-american-assaults-cnn-msnbc-fox-vice-buzzfeed-nyt-washpost-latimes-axios?recruiter=63158338&utm_source=share_petition&utm_medium=copylink&utm_campaign=share_petition
3. How you can be involved in the School Board Process in ACS?
How can we advocate for a more transparent selection process so our school board can reflect our community, which includes many Asian, Asian American, and Latinx families?

Auburn City Schools

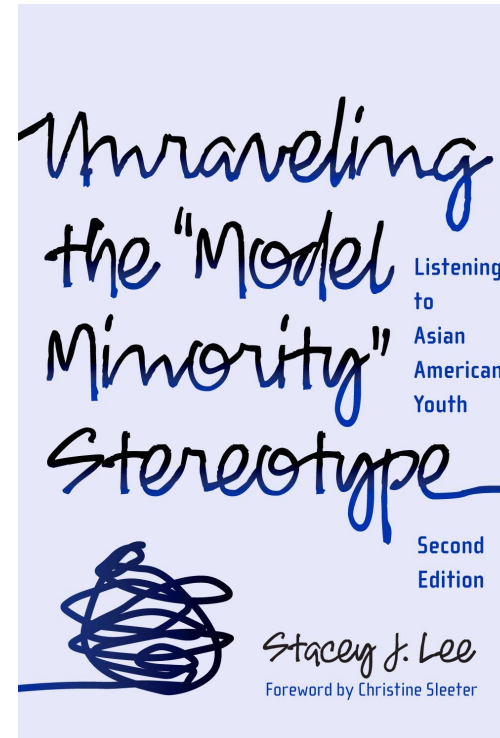
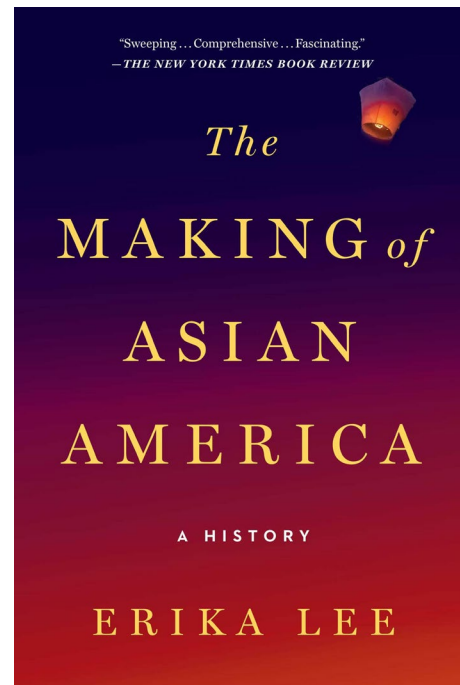
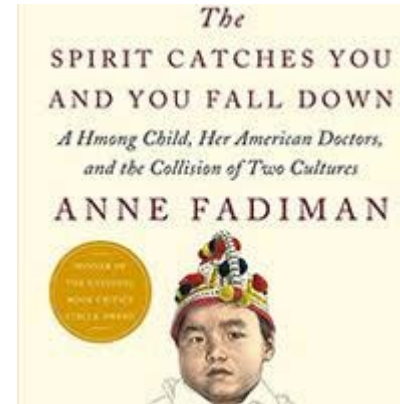
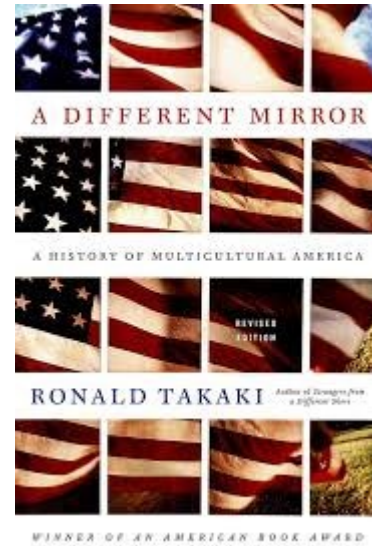
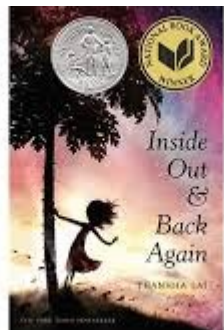
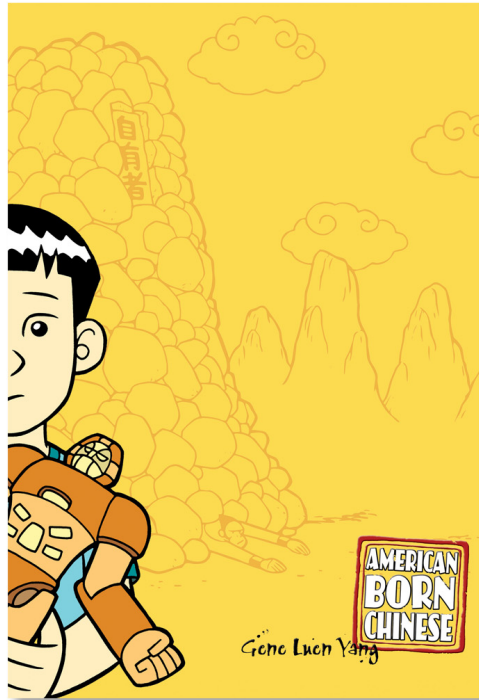
Teacher/Student Demographic Comparison



Auburn City Schools Board Position

- <https://reportcard.alsde.edu/Alsde/OverallScorePage?schoolCode=0000&systemCode=110&year=2019>
- <https://www.auburnalabama.org/boards-and-commissions/Q%20Boards%20and%20Commissions%20Procedures%201%2008%202019-update%202021.pdf>
- <https://www.auburnalabama.org/city-council/council-members/>

Resources



Member Recommended Resources

Books

- Dower, War Without Mercy: Race and Power in the Pacific War - <https://bookshop.org/books/war-without-mercy-race-and-power-in-the-pacific-war-9780394751726/9780394751726>; Audio: <https://libro.fm/audiobooks/9781541471245-war-without-mercy>
- Asian Americans in Dixie: Race and Migration in the South, Khyati Y. Joshi <https://www.amazon.com/Asian-Americans-Dixie-Migration-Experience/dp/0252079388>
- The Woman Warrior: Memoirs of a Girlhood Among Ghosts by Maxine Hong Kingston
- Asia as Method, Chen Kuan-hsing, <https://www.dukeupress.edu/Asia-as-Method>

Asian Americans on PBS

- <https://www.pbs.org/show/asian-americans/>

Revival of “Orientalism” and “new Cold War” depictions of Asians, particularly Chinese, in the media

- Marius Meinhof: <https://twitter.com/mariusmeinhof?lang=en>
- Lecture on this topic: <https://criticalchinascholars.org/webinars/#Pathologies>

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