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Socialist Group Announces Target: Middle School Students

It is no secret that the American Left has been targeting the youth for a long time, and has succeeded in many ways. After all, the Left appears to have been victorious in taking control of public education, where students are being indoctrinated on a regular basis, forcing conservative and spiritual parents to either enroll their children in private schools or educate them at home.

Recently <u>The New American</u> covered one type of liberal indoctrination taking place in the classroom, and while many parents were disturbed by that news, it pales in comparison to the latest revelation. The American socialist group known as the Party for Socialism and Liberation (PSL) — whose website contends, "The economic crisis is the symptom, capitalism is the disease, revolution is the cure" — has recently announced its latest target group: "junior high" students (grades 7-9, roughly equivalent to <u>middle school</u> — grades 6-8).

On Earth Day — not so coincidentally Vladimir Lenin's birthday — PSL leader Brian Becker gave a <u>speech</u> in Washington, D.C. which began with these typical leftist talking points:

The [top] one percent contributes nothing to society. They exploit, they are privileged beyond comparison in human history, but they actually add no real value. The solution to war and the solution to the economic crisis is the same: a revolutionary process that creates public property where there is private property — a process that leads to socialism and defeats capitalism.

It is an ideology the American people have heard repeatedly, particular under the current administration. President Obama has <u>admitted</u> on a number of occasions that he is a proponent of wealth redistribution, and he has surrounded himself with people of that ilk.

Becker continued:

If you agree with those thoughts, if you think they're correct, if you believe in justice, if you believe that there's another way, if you believe that the suffering of the people is unnecessary and wrong, and outrageous and disgusting, if you're angry about that, then you should be in our party. And if you're in our party, you should become more active because we are entering a new period of uprising and revolution but we need an ideological movement and we need a revolutionary party.





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Becker then addressed the abundance of youth within the PSL, touting it as a victory in itself:

The fact that our party has so many young people is a tribute to the relevance and the vitality of the organization and its capacity to recruit young people. But we have to get even younger people. I mean there's no reason why junior high school students and first and second year high school students can't not only be in the party but leaders themselves. We really need to try hard to recruit younger and younger people.

So there you have it. The goals of the socialist movement, out in the open, stated explicitly, and very likely, wholly ignored.

Unfortunately, the process has already begun. Public schools already employ openly socialist teachers such as Ron Gochez of California, who has spoken at La Raza rallies, calling for a La Raza revolution against capitalism, imperialism, and the white man:

We are [a] revolutionary Mexican organization here. We understand that this is not just about Mexico. It's about a global struggle against imperialism and capitalism. At the forefront of this revolutionary movement is La Raza. We will no longer fall for these lies called borders. We see America as a northern front of a revolutionary movement. Our enemy is capitalism and imperialism.

Likewise, it was a teacher at Conestoga Middle School in Beaverton, Oregon, Jason Levin, who <u>launched</u> the "Crash the Tea Party" website, on which he declared:

Whenever possible, we will act on behalf of the Tea Party in ways that will exaggerate their least appealing qualities (i.e. misspelled protest signs, wild claims on TV interviews, etc.) to further distance them from mainstream America and damage the public's opinion of them. We will also use inside information that we have gained in order to disrupt and derail their plans.

Levin's efforts prompted some to question his ethics, as well as whether he had expressed his ideologies openly in a classroom full of impressionable young minds.

Radio talk-show host Lars Larson observed, "This is a man who thinks it's legitimate to further your political goals by lying, by stealing and damaging somebody else's reputation. I don't want a kid like that teaching kids."

Neither do most parents.

But how does the PSL plan to reach middle school/junior high students? Presumably in the classrooms.

And now that the PSL has targeted middle schoolers, their concerned parents must resort to more vigilant damage control before their children are transformed into anti-American, anti-capitalist revolutionaries.

Unsurprisingly, homeschooling has seen a <u>dramatic rise</u> in the United States, particularly following President Obama's election in 2008.



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