

I am Matthew Pepito, an 8th Grader currently attending Eastern Middle School. I believe that it is critical that HB1059 is passed. As a student myself, I often see important parts of history left untaught, rendering people's voices and work unable to be told and used as a tool for inspiration and innovation. We need to have the necessary resources and curriculum to have these key components of Asian-American history taught throughout our schools. It will allow Asian-American students to see their own history reflected within their schools and lessons. With educators who have a refined ability to teach students important points in our history, the next generation of Americans will be able to respect history, each other, and work towards ensuring that voices are not left behind.