

EDUCATION

The Committee recognizes that Education falls under provincial jurisdiction and is reluctant to make recommendations in this area. However, the vast majority of the briefs received and the presentations made to this Committee as it travelled across Canada looked to Education to make a major contribution to ameliorating race relations and increasing the participation of visible minorities in Canadian society. As a result, the Committee did not feel it could ignore such significant input. Where appropriate, the federal government should link transfer payments to the Provinces to the recommendations in this chapter. This chapter examines the major issues brought to the attention of the Committee, including: the importance of race relations policy at the Board and school level; accommodating school practices to cultural diversity; relations between the home and the school; student leadership programs; methods for responding to racial harassment; assessment of students for placement; the evaluation of textbooks for bias; materials for developing more positive student attitudes; improving teacher education; early childhood education; and post secondary education. Where possible, solutions are directed to the appropriate authorities.

