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INTRODUCTION

Multicultural education has been defined in many different ways. In the New York State Education Department, the Multicultural Education Committee, under the auspices of the former Division of Intercultural Relations, developed this working definition: “Multicultural education is an interdisciplinary approach to teaching the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary to live in a culturally diverse society. This approach requires ongoing review of the total school environment and involves all members of the school community. Multicultural education is designed to enable individuals to view cultural, social, economic, and political events from multiple perspectives; improve equity of educational outcomes; and promote an understanding and an appreciation for the culture and contribution of all members of our society.” Other definitions of multicultural education will be found in the Appendix.

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**ERIC** is the complete data base on Educational materials from the Educational Resources Information Center. It covers educational materials from 1966 to present. This data base contains over 760,000 bibliographic records of documents and journal articles.

**Ethnic News Watch** is a multicultural general reference data base providing full text CD-ROM access to the newspapers and magazines of the ethnic and minority press in America.

**GPO** is the machine-readable equivalent of the print *Monthly Catalog of United States Government Publications*. It contains records of reports, studies, fact sheets, maps, handbooks, conference proceedings issued by all U.S. Federal government agencies and the U.S. Congress. GPO contains a wealth of information on a wide range of topics, including agriculture, economics, energy research, public policy, business, law, health, and many other subjects.


**1990 Census of Population and Housing** was conducted in April 1, 1990. Many of the listings give statistics for state, counties and places. The statistics are displayed in a variety of ways, such as rankings by size and by numeric and percent change between 1990 and 1980.

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APPENDIX A:
Multicultural Education Definitions

"Multicultural Education is the educational strategy in which students' cultural backgrounds are viewed as positive and essential in developing classroom instruction and environments. It is designed to support and extend the concepts of culture, cultural pluralism and equality into the formal school setting. Multicultural Education is a means for positively using cultural diversity and equality in the total learning process." Gollnick, Donna M. and Phillip C. Chinn. Multicultural Education in a Pluralistic Society, Columbus: C.E. Merrill, 1986, pp. 5 and 25. (C.375.0084,G626,66--38659).

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"...multicultural Education is education that prepares students to live, learn, communicate and work to achieve common goals in a culturally-diverse world by fostering understanding, appreciation and respect for people of other ethnic, gender, socioeconomic, language and cultural backgrounds." Multicultural Education in Florida. Florida Department of Education, 1991, p. 5.

The Delaware Multicultural Education Institute definition is:

"Education that is multicultural recognizes, accepts, values, affirms and promotes individual diversity in a pluralistic setting. Further, the term "multicultural" embraces and accepts the interdependence of the many cultural groups within our country and the world at large; racial, ethnic, regional, religious, and socioeconomic groups, as well as men and women, the young and the old, and persons with disabilities.

Education that is multicultural rejects the misguided notion that individuals melt into a homogenous group divesting themselves of their heritage. Instead it prizes similarities and differences as valuable resources for all students. The challenge for educators then becomes: to develop a perspective which includes, rather than excludes intentionally or otherwise, information... In some cases, it may suggest a revision of existing data which may be incorrect or distorted. Moreover, the ultimate goal of "equity education" demands that personal attitudes and classroom/workplace activities be examined.