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O. If at any time you do not understand one of my questions, please let me know so that I could restate it. Otherwise I will assume that your answer is based on your having understood the question.

Do you understand that?

A. Yes.

8 9 O. I think in this situation, it will be even more important, because I'm going to be jumping around a 10 little bit and going over some of the things that we have 11 hit before, so really if you don't -- if you are confused 12 about anything, because I will be hitting some topics 13 quickly, so -- you will be testifying under oath, meaning 14 that the testimony that you provide here will have the 15 16 same force and effect as if you were testifying in a court of law. Accordingly, you are subject to all the 17 penalties for perjury should you provide false testimony 18 19 here today.

Do you understand that?

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Q. If you need a break at any time, let me know and we can go off record for a break.

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3 Q. All right. Like I said before, many of the questions today are just clarifying or follow-up 4 questions on subjects that we have covered on previous days, so in order to move the questioning along, I am not 6 going to provide a lot of repetitive background. I am just going to say "You stated such and such on your previous testimony" and then I am going to ask you a 9 10 question.

So if you are confused as to your previous testimony or if you don't understand the question, again, please let me know so I can provide more background.

On your first day of testimony, you were talking about the UCLA students that you met regarding some issues at Crenshaw. And at one point you referred to UCLA's lawyers. And I just wanted to know if you -- did you believe that the people you spoke with or any of the people that you spoke with from UCLA were lawyers?

20 A. I wasn't too sure about it, but I believe that 21 they were.

22 Q. You believe that they were?

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Q. Did you believe that any of the people were students?

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unable to provide your best testimony here today?

A. No.

- O. Have you consumed any medication or alcohol or any other substance that clouds your mind or would affect your ability to understand and answer the questions here today?
- A. No.

Q. Did you discuss your deposition or this lawsuit with anyone since your third day of deposition on June 24th?

MR. FOX: Objection to the extent it calls for attorney-client communications.

THE WITNESS: Yes.

BY MR. FERNANDES:

Q. Who did you discuss it with?

A. Other than my -- actually that's it. Just my attorneys.

O. Just your attorneys. And did you discuss anything that's not covered by the attorney-client privilege?

MR. FOX: Objection. Vague and ambiguous.

22 THE WITNESS: No.

23 MR. FOX: Calls for a legal conclusion.

24 BY MR. FERNANDES:

Q. Did you review any documents since your last day

A. They could have been.

Q. Okay. So it was your understanding that you 2 were speaking with lawyers from UCLA rather than 3 4 students?

A. Yes.

Q. And what is your -- we touched on this as well, but I wasn't entirely clear. What was your understanding of the relationship between the UCLA, if they were lawyers or students, the people from UCLA, and the people 10 from the ACLU?

MR. FOX: Objection. Vague and ambiguous, calls for a legal conclusion.

THE WITNESS: During that time, I wasn't too sure whether they were, you know, together or working with the same case. I met this what I believe were lawyers from UCLA before I met anyone from ACLU, so as far as the relationship, I wasn't too familiar with that until maybe sometime later on down the road. BY MR. FERNANDES:

Q. Did the people from UCLA, did they -- when did they first mention something to you about the ACLU?

22 A. I believe it was during the second time I met 23 them, either the first or second time I met them. They

24 didn't say particularly ACLU, but they did tell me

25 someone was going to be getting in contact with me.

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- 1 O. And you don't know from where?
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- 3 O. So when was the first time that they actually 4 mentioned the ACLU to you?
  - A. I believe maybe January.
- 6 O. January of?
- 7 A. 2000.
- 8 O. You stated previously that you participated in a 9 protest at the district in December of 2000 regarding 10 access to the A through G requirements and AP classes. 11 You said at one point the protest basically related to 12 all schools.

And I just wanted to know did you mean that it 14 related to all schools or were you speaking of the five schools within the district that you had identified? 15

- A. The five schools that I identified.
- 17 O. You also discussed -- well, just for the record. 18 can you -- well, I think we already have clearly what the 19 five schools were.

You also stated that you considered vocademics to be a dead-end class or dead-end classes. Have you asked any other students if they share your views on vocademics, specifically that they are dead-end classes?

- 25 Q. Who, which students did you ask that of? A lot?

MS. STRONG: Objection. Calls for speculation. 2 BY MR. FERNANDES:

- 3 Q. You previously identified the five schools that 4 you believe denied students access to A through G 5 requirements or AP classes. Start with Dorsey. With 6 respect to Dorsey, you stated that Christy couldn't get 7 into an AP class and was instead placed in a child 8 development class do vou have any other basis for your 9 belief that Dorsey didn't provide access to A through G 10 requirements?
  - A. I remember one time they -- well, based on statistics that we did, we did find out how many classes -- how many AP classes were offered at the school as opposed to how many vocademic classes were at that school, and as far as number, I can't remember.

MS. STRONG: Objection. Sorry.

17 THE WITNESS: But that was one thing also that I 18 based it on.

19 MS. STRONG: Objection. Move to strike as 20 nonresponsive.

21 BY MR. FERNANDES:

- Q. What you said, "some statistics," what statistics are you speaking of?
- 24 A. I believe they were statistics that Romer did 25 give to us, Roy Romer did give to us, but this was

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- A. Yeah. There were a large number of students, 1 2 maybe 60 students, that all shared the same idea 3 throughout the meetings that we had.
  - Q. What meetings were those?
  - A. With the Community Coalition they were SCYEA meetings, S-A-Y-E-A. Sorry about that. S-C-Y-E-A.
- 6 7 Q. So were these students from various schools?
  - A. Yeah, from the five schools that were mentioned.
- 9 Q. Do you remember any -- the names of any of the 10 specific students that you spoke with? 11
  - A. Marcus.
  - Q. And where did Marcus go?
- 13 A. I believe he goes to Manual.
  - Q. And any others?
- 15 A. Christy. She goes to Dorsey.
- 16 Q. And any others?
- 17 A. I mean there is a large number of names I could 18 give you. As far as me remembering specific, I mean what 19 the conversation was about, I mean I can't remember that,
- 20 but I know --
- 21 Q. Okay. Well, rather than go through each name, 22 is it your testimony -- did all of the 60 agree with you
- 23 as to that vocademics were dead-end classes?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. The entire group?

sometime during -- yeah. Actually it was during December

2 during the meeting we had with Roy Romer. 3 Q. And did these statistics show that students at

Dorsey weren't provided access to A through G

5 requirements?

- A. Yes.
- Q. In what way? What did the statistics say?
- A. As far as it showing numbers of how many AP classes were offered as opposed to how many vocademic classes were offered.
- Q. Does that in your mind show that there was no 12 access to or does it just show the number of --
- 13 A. Actually it just showed the numbers of those 14 classes, but with the number of the amount of students, I 15 mean it showed that if everyone wants to get into an AP 16 class, it wouldn't be available.
  - Q. So you knew how many spots were open in each of the AP and you calculated that and then figured out?
    - A. Based on the statistics, yes.
- 20 Q. Based on the statistics. Is this statistics
- 21 that we have discussed before or is this something
- 22 different?
  - A. I believe it was the same, the same statistics.
- 24 Q. Have you provided that document?
- 25 A. No.

- Q. Do you have that document? 1
  - A. I don't have it with me.

MS. STRONG: Object as nonresponsive. The question is related to A through G requirements and the deponent is responding to information about AP classes. BY MR. FERNANDES:

- 7 O. The first question is regarding specifically 8 access to A through G.
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O. I did have I think, if you were providing -- let 10 11 me just clarify.

Was your answer related to AP classes?

- A. Yes, they were. 13
- Q. With respect to -- first of all, what is your 14 understanding of A through G requirements? 15
  - A. A through G requirements are requirements that are needed to graduate out of high school classes that you would need for a certain amount of semesters or years in order to graduate.
- 20 O. So A through G are graduation requirements --
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- 22 Q. -- is your understanding.

23 Do the A through G requirements have anything to 24 do with enrollment in a U.C., University of California?

A. Now they are. From what I understand, at first

AP class. I can't remember her name because I don't see

her anymore so -- but she did say that she couldn't get

3 into an AP class.

O. Do you remember the names of any of the 4 5 students?

6 A. No.

O. With respect to Manual Arts, you spoke with 7 Marcus. I believe you stated that Marcus signed up for an AP class, but received a textile class instead. 9

Do you have any other basis for your belief that 10 Manual Arts didn't provide access to A through G 11 requirements? 12

A. I know he was given a math investigations class 13 which he didn't know why he had that class, but I believe 14 he told me when he went to go talk to the counselor about 15 it, she then said there was no more room for whatever 16 math he needs to go to, so he would just have to stay in 17 math investigations. And this was maybe sometime during 18 19 September of 2000.

20 Q. And what class was -- what class did he sign up 21 for?

A. I can't remember, but I know it was a math 22 23 class.

24 Q. And do you know it was also -- was it an A 25 through G requirements?

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- they were just A through F requirements, but they also 1 include G now as far as the requirements to get into U.C. 2
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- 4 Q. But they are also the graduation requirements?
- 5 A. Yes.
  - Q. With respect to Fremont, I believe you said you couldn't remember who you spoke to about these issues. On what basis did you come to believe that Fremont did
  - not provide students access to A through G requirements? A. Just based on statements that students from
- 10 11 Fremont were given during that time.
  - Q. What statements were those?
- A. I can't remember exactly what they said, but I mean I know it related to how they weren't allowed to get 14 into those classes or they either had to wait maybe two or three weeks after enrollment for them because the 16 classes were full and they had to switch people around 18 throughout classes.
  - Q. Do you have the names of any of those students?
- 20 A. No.
- Q. And on what basis did you come to believe that 21 22 Fremont didn't provide access to AP courses, not the A
- 23 through G?
- 24 A. I believe there was -- no. I believe there was 25 one student that said she wasn't allowed to get into an

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A. Yes. All the math classes are A through G 1 requirements except for math investigations, I believe. 2

O. And he was told that there wasn't enough room in 3 4 the math class that met the A through G requirements

MS. STRONG: Objection. Calls for speculation. BY MR. FERNANDES:

- Q. Is that correct?
- A. Correct.

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- 9 Q. You said he spoke to a counselor. Do you know 10 the name of the counselor he spoke with?
  - A. No.
- O. Do you know what year this occurred? 12
  - A. 2000, September. 2000 of September.
- Q. Do you have any other basis for your belief that 14 Manual Arts didn't provide access to the A through G 15
- 16 requirements?
  - A. No.
  - Q. I'm sorry, the AP requirements?
- 19 A. Also the statistics. Basically all the five
- schools we were working with, we had statistics for all 20
- five of those schools, so the statistics would be another 21 22
- 23 Q. Would you be able to locate this document that you are speaking of that had the statistics? 24
- MR. FOX: Assumes facts. 25

- THE WITNESS: No. I mean I don't know where I 1 2 can -- I mean I probably can find it if I talk to someone from the Coalition, but maybe Roy Romer still has it, if 3
- 4 he still has it. He might still have it.
- 5 BY MR. FERNANDES:
- 6 Q. Do you know where it came from? I know Roy Romer gave it to you. Did it come from a book or the Internet?
  - A. I don't know where he got it from.
- 10 Q. With respect to Washington, you stated that you 11 spoke with George Hernandez and that he was denied access
- to an AP class. Do you have any other basis for your
- 13 belief that Washington didn't provide students access to 14 AP classes?
- 15 A. Other than the statistics, that's it.
- 16 Q. And what about do you have any other basis for 17 your belief that Washington didn't provide students with 18 access to A through G requirements?
- 19 A. No.

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- 20 Q. With respect to Crenshaw, you stated you tried 21 to enroll in an AP class and you heard that the resources
- would be better in AP classes. What resources did you 22
- 23 think would be better in the AP classes?
- 24 A. As far as the books for -- I mean the way I 25 understand it, the teachers could be a better resource

- 1 assignments in AP classes?
- 2 A. I can't remember now. I mean it was so long 3 ago. I mean I can't remember the names.
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- A. I know it is sometime during the first semester of my tenth grade.
- Q. Okay. You previously stated that former superintendent Roy Romer directed your attention to a web site and from which you gathered statistics?
  - A. Former student.
- 11 Q. I'm sorry. Superintendent Roy Romer directed 12 your attention to a web site from which you gathered 13 statistical information about vocademic and students who 14 went on to a four-year university.
  - A. Correct.
  - Q. Is that correct? You couldn't remember the web site at that time, but you said that you were sure that you could locate it again on the Internet.
  - A. I believe it was the post-secondary. See, I can't remember the full name, but I know it is something like post-secondary -- as far as getting -- I can't remember the exact name, but it had post-secondary or something like that.
  - Q. How would you -- I think you said you didn't remember it at that time either, but if you went on the

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- 1 based on their teaching skills.
- 2 Q. I'm sorry. You said books first and then 3 teachers?
- 4 A. Yes. As far as the assignments that will 5 prepare you for college. And that's about it.
- 6 Q. Okay. And do you know what books were used in 7 the AP classes?
- 8 A. No.

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- 9 Q. You just -- you thought that they would be 10 better, but you didn't know what they were?
  - A. Correct.
- 12 Q. And did you compare your teachers to any of the 13 teachers in the AP classes?
  - A. No.
- O. What about the assignments? Did you know about 15 16 the assignments that were given in the AP classes?
- 17 MR. FOX: Vague and ambiguous.
- 18 THE WITNESS: Just based on students, I knew
- 19 they, I mean, would tell, I mean, the other students
- about what assignments they would get and everything and 20
- 21 how the teacher would work with them during the class
- time, class period. But in that, that's the only way I
- 23 knew that, that the assignments would be better.
- 24 BY MR. FERNANDES:
  - Q. What students did you speak to about the

- 1 Internet, that you could locate it. How would you locate 2 it?
- 3 A. I mean I could look on a search browser or I 4 could ask somebody at the Community Coalition about it. 5 They probably do know the web site.
  - O. The Community Coalition?
  - A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Do you remember any particular key words that 9 would allow you to find that site? 10
  - A. Just that post-secondary.
- 11 O. Was that in the web site address or is that just 12 on the page?
- 13 A. That's where it -- well, on the bottom of the 14 page it said that's where it came from.
  - O. Okay.
- 16 A. Something about post-secondary education or 17 something like that.
- 18 Q. Okay. On the second day of your testimony, you 19 stated that you were absent or tardy on occasion in each 20 of your classes and you stated it was due to activities.
- 21 What are the activities --
- 22 MR. FOX: Objection. Assumes facts, may
- 23 mischaracterize the witness' testimony.
- 24 BY MR. FERNANDES:
- 25 Q. Is that your -- do you recall stating that you

- 1 were absent or tardy due to activities?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 O. What did you mean by "activities"?
- 4 A. Activities at the school. I mean I can't
- 5 remember. I mean I know a few of them as far as the 6 bazaar.
- 7 O. What was that?
- 8 A. A school bazaar that Crenshaw had.
- 9 O. And when did the school bazaar take place?
- A. I think sometime in October. I am not too sure. 10
- 11 I think it was October.
- 12 Q. Was it one day?
- A. Yes. 13
- 14 Q. Was it an annual event?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 O. Were there any other activities?
- 17 A. Not that I can remember. I mean I just remember
- 18 I was thinking -- that was one of the large events that
- 19 we had.
- 20 Q. Do you remember which class you missed or were 21 late for because of the school bazaar?
- 22 MR. FOX: Objection, Relevance.
- 23 THE WITNESS: No, I can't. I mean it was an
- 24 all-day thing. It was more than one class, but I can't
- 25 remember the classes. I know one of the classes I was

record, this is with respect to both years at Crenshaw;

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- 2 all of his classes?
- 3 BY MR. FERNANDES:
- 4 O. Is that your testimony? Is this covering both 5 years that you were not tardy, unexcused tardy or
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8 Q. -- in either year.

A. Yes.

On the second day of your deposition you 9 10 produced three documents. One of them was a Student

11 Planner or your Student Planner. Do you recall those 12

- documents?
  - A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Where did you get the Student Planner?
- 15 A. I believe it was from my second period class.
- 16 Q. Was it given to you by a teacher or did you 17 purchase it?
- 18 A. Given to me by a teacher.
  - Q. Which teacher gave that to you?
- 20 A. That was -- what teacher was that? I can't
- 21 remember the teacher. I am thinking it's -- because I
- 22 know I did receive a planner in the ninth grade by my
- 23 second grade teacher Mr. Hornbeck. For that that one, it
- 24 was -- because I had PE second period. I know I didn't
- 25 get it then.

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- 1 tardy to.
- 2 I think it was either my second or third period.
- 3 That was because I had to go back to that class. When I
- 4 was tardy, I went -- that's because I had to go to that
- class to show the teacher the note and everything and go 5
- back to the bazaar. Other than that, I think the rest of 6
- 7 the classes I did miss for the day.
- 8 BY MR. FERNANDES:
- 9 Q. So did you have permission to miss the class to 10 go to the bazaar?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Was the absence or tardy excused?
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- 14 Q. Were you ever late or absent for any class for 15 reasons other than one of these activities? The only one 16 we have is the school bazaar.
- 17 MR. FOX: Asked and answered.
- 18 THE WITNESS: No. I mean other than the 19 activities, no.
- 20 BY MR. FERNANDES:
- 21 Q. Did you ever have any unexcused absences?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. Did you have any unexcused tardies?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 MS. STRONG: Just for clarification for the

Q. Well, if you can't remember, that's okay. We can come back.

So you stated that you did have a planner in ninth grade as well?

- A. Correct.
- Q. Was it similar to the planner that --
- 8 Q. In your previous testimony you stated that you
- 9 didn't know who to ask about AP classes at Crenshaw; is
- 10 that correct?
  - A. Correct.
- 12 Q. Are you familiar with the section in your
- 13 planner that's entitled "Where to go for help"? 14
- A. I do remember looking at that, but I don't know exactly what it is in there. 16
  - Q. Do you want to look at a copy?
  - A. I can't remember exactly what is in it.
- 18 MR. FERNANDES: This has already been -- has 19 this already been marked into evidence?
- 20 MS. STRONG: She wouldn't know.
- 21 MR. FERNANDES: We can -- I am not sure what 22 exhibit we are.
  - Can we go off the record for a second.
- 24 (A discussion was held off the record.)
- 25 MR. FERNANDES: I would like to mark the Student

1 Planner as Exhibit 5.

(Deposition Exhibit 5 was marked

for identification and attached.)

4 BY MR. FERNANDES:

5 O. Delwin, are you looking at the section entitled

6 "Where to go for help"?

A. Yes, I am.

Q. And what does it say with respect to your

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10 A. To see my counselor.

O. Did you do that? 11

12 A. For AP?

13 Q. Yes.

A. No, I didn't. As far as I know for scheduling, 14

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16 as far as having the right classes.

17 O. So you didn't understand the counselor that dealt with the schedule to -- you didn't believe that she 18

could -- he or she could provide any assistance with AP 19

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21 A. Correct.

22 Q. Now, I think you also stated that you didn't

know what all of the graduation requirements were at 23

Crenshaw; is that correct? 24

25 A. During the time; correct. for different students at the school.

2 BY MR. FERNANDES:

O. And does it provide an extension for those 3

4 counselors as well?

5 A. Yes, it does.

6 Q. Okay.

A. But we are not allowed to use the phones at

8 Crenshaw so --

9 O. Does it provide the name of the counselor by

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A. Yes, it does.

MS. STRONG: And I also would just like to 12

13 clarify for the record what page it is that the deponent

is now looking at. The title at the top of the page 14

15 states what?

BY MR. FERNANDES: 16

17 Q. "Who's Who at Crenshaw High School." It is not

18 numbered, but the title of the page is "Who's Who at

19 Crenshaw High School."

20 MS. STRONG: Thank you.

21 BY MR. FERNANDES:

22 Q. Do you know if your parents were aware of the

graduation requirements at Crenshaw High School? 23 24

A. As far as specifically, no.

O. Did they ever call anyone at Crenshaw High

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1 Q. And did you call the counselor listed on this page about the graduation requirements? 2

MR. FOX: Objection. Assumes facts. There is 4 no counselor listed on the page.

5 THE WITNESS: No, I didn't.

BY MR. FERNANDES:

Q. Can you turn to the next page or two pages.

8 There is a page entitled "Directory of Extensions." And

9 the previous page, are you looking at the page that

states "Who's Who at Crenshaw High School"? 10

11 A. As far as?

12 Q. I'm sorry.

MS. STRONG: You know, it is not on that.

14 BY MR. FERNANDES:

15 Q. It is not on that. I'm sorry. This is the -- I

have to look at the full copy. 16

A. Oh, yeah. I have that right here.

Q. This page is the one I am talking about.

MS. STRONG: It is double-sided. Just note for

20 the record that Exhibit 5 has double-sided pages.

THE WITNESS: Okay. I see that. 21

BY MR. FERNANDES: 22

Q. What is that list at the bottom of the page?

MR. FOX: Best evidence is the document.

THE WITNESS: These are the different counselors

School to ask what the graduation requirements were? 2

A. No.

MR. FOX: Relevance.

BY MR. FERNANDES:

5 O. If you could turn to -- there is another page, I 6

believe, the next page on this document that's entitled

"Tips for Parents." And I think if you go down seven, I

think it's the seventh bullet. Can you read that?

9 A. "Know graduation requirements and review

10 student's progress every semester. Call student's

11 counselors if you don't receive a progress report every

12 five weeks."

13 Q. What is the title of that page again, just for 14 the record?

15 A. "Tips for Parents."

Q. And did you ever show this to your parents or 16

17 did your parents ever see that? 18

MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance. Privacy.

THE WITNESS: No. 19

BY MR. FERNANDES: 20 21

Q. No?

22 A. (Shook head from side to side.)

MR. FERNANDES: I am done with that document

24 unless anyone had any questions. 25

Q. I am not sure if you already answered this, but

- I was a little unclear whether you have Internet access 1 2 at home.
- A. I do now. I believe I stated that I didn't have 3 it while I was at Crenshaw, but I do have it now. 4
  - O. When did you get Internet access at home?
- 6 A. April.

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- Q. April of?
- 8 A. 2001.
- 9 Q. And prior to April 2001 did you use the Internet 10 at school?
- 11 A. On occasions I did.
- O. You stated at one time in your ninth grade 12 Spanish class you waited outside until the end of class 13
- and no teacher ever showed up. Do you recall that? 14 15
  - A. Yes.
- O. Do you remember when that occurred? 16
- A. No, I can't. I know it was during my ninth 17 18 grade year.
- Q. Ninth grade? 19
- 20 A. Yes, but I can't remember which semester.
- O. You said that you notified security. Do you 21
- 22 remember who the security officer was?
- 23 A. No. I didn't know who any of the security 24 officer names were.
- 25 O. Was it a male or female; do you recall?

- Q. Do you remember when those two incidents 2 occurred?
- 3 A. No.

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- 4 Q. Was that also during your ninth grade year?
- O. But you don't recall whether it's first semester 6 or second semester? 7
  - A. No.
- O. Did you notify anyone regarding either of those 9 10 incidents?
- 11 A. No, I didn't.
- Q. Can you tell me the names of any other students 12 that could verify either of those incidents? 13
  - again. That's the only other name I could remember.
- Q. And when you said that you left because no 16 teacher showed up, did you stay for the entire period? 17
- A. Did I stay? 18 19
  - O. Did you wait for the entire period?
- A. No. I didn't. 20
- 21 O. At what point did you leave?
- 22 A. Maybe 15 minutes, 20 minutes.
- 23 O. 15 to 20 minutes?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 O. Was that the same amount of time for each of

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- 1 A. Yeah. Male.
- 2 O. Did you notify any administrators?
- A. I don't believe I did, no. 3
- O. Did you notify anyone else about that incident? 4
- 5 A. No, I don't believe I did.
- O. Can you tell me the names of any of the students 6 7 that could verify this?

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MR. FOX: Objection. Vague and ambiguous.

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BY MR. FERNANDES:

- O. Verify that the teacher, the Spanish teacher didn't show up for the entire period. A.
- 15 Q. | the name? 16
  - A.  $\overline{\text{Yes.}}$  It is
  - Q. Okay.
  - A. I don't know her last name.
- 19 Q. Any other students?
- 20 A. I can't remember his name. I think it was -- I
- 21 can't remember his name.
- also with respect to that Spanish 22
- class, you stated that on two occasions the students just 23
- 24 left because no teacher showed up; is that correct? 25
  - A. Correct.

- those incidents? ١
- 2 A. I believe so.
- 3 Q. Do you know if the teacher showed up after you 4

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- A. No, he didn't, because I had to go back to the 5 6 bungalows for the next class when the bell rung, and as I 7
  - was walking by, no one was there, so --O. Did you look inside?
    - A. The lights were off, so --
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. I mean the windows are tinted, so I mean there was no need for me to look. I mean I knew I couldn't see 12 who was inside so I didn't bother looking. 13
- 14 Q. You stated that Ms. Beasley purchased materials with her own money. What materials did she purchase? 15
- A. I believe she purchased -- I believe we already 16 went through it, but I believe it was paper towels.
- 17 Before she asked us to bring in tape she was buying tape, 18
- 19 I believe. 20
  - O. If we went over the specific things, then we don't have to go over that again. Mainly what I want to know is do you know whether she was reimbursed by the school?
- 23 24 A. No, I don't know.
- 25 Q. Do you know whether the school would have

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Q. Are you aware of the procedures for teachers to follow when ordering books or materials?

A. No.

' algebra class, you O. With respect to stated the majority of assignments were -- you called them refresh assignments. Do you recall that?

A. Yes.

O. How many refresh assignments were given by

A. I don't know how many assignments. I mean assignments were given. I mean --

Q. Over what period of time were -- I guess what I am trying to get at is was there a period of time where you didn't consider the assignments refreshed any longer and they were new material?

A. There were a few times where I did consider new material, but most of the time they were refreshments.

O. For the entire year?

A. Not the entire semester. Most of the semester, I could sav.

24 O. Okay. And how many -- I believe you stated that you required assistance with some of those assignments. O. Calisha?

A. My brother D'Andre, Dajah, D-a-j-a-h, Travon. MS. STRONG: Can you spell that for the court

reporter.

THE WITNESS: T-r-a-v-o-n. That's all the names I can remember.

BY MR. FERNANDES:

Q. Okay you stated a received a in your algebra 1 class; is that correct?

A. Correct.

O. Though your transcript showed a received a sis that correct --

A. That's correct.

Q. - when you looked at the transcript.

15 Do you have the report card that showed a

16 it?

17 A. No, I don't. But like I said, I did go over 18 that with my mom and she also said I had a She does 19 remember that I did have a

Q. So your mother saw the report card before it was 20 21 lost or --

22 A. Correct.

23 O. Was there anyone else that saw that report card?

24 A. My brother did.

25 Q. And your brother is?

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How many of the refresh assignments did you require 2 assistance with?

A. I can't remember how many times, but I mean it 3 4 was like maybe -- it wasn't a whole lot. I mean it 5 wasn't that many times.

6 Q. You stated that was not on time to 7 class. Do you recall that?

A. Yes.

Q. How many times was she late for class?

10 A. I would have to say maybe four, sometimes five 11 times out of a week.

12 Q. Four or five times a week out of a five-day 13 week?

A. Not -- I mean it wasn't a majority of five days out of a week, but it was a majority of four days out of a week. So I mean I can actually say four -- three or four times out of the week she was late out of five days.

Q. And how late was she?

A. Most days she was maybe 10-15 minutes late after 19 20 the tardy bell.

Q. And can you provide the names of any other students who could support these allegations?

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Q. Can you spell that?

A. I don't know how to spell her name.

A. D'Andre.

Q. Was there anyone else? 2

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Q. I believe the same scenario was presented with 4 5 the math investigations grade; is that correct?

A. That was it, actually. I think --

Q. Did you have a report card -- what did you receive? What did your transcript show that you received?

10 A. On my transcripts? I think they said a either a or a 11

Q. And what did your report card show? 12

A. A

Q. And again, do you have that report card? 14

15 A. No, I don't.

Q. And did your mother see that report card? 16 17

A. Yes.

Q. Who else saw that?

19 A. My brother.

20 Q. Anyone else?

21 A. That's it.

22 Q. You also stated that Ms. Smith, your tenth grade 23 algebra teacher, paid for materials and supplies out of

24 her pocket; is that correct?

25 A. Correct.

- Q. How do you know that she paid for those 2 materials out of her pocket?
- 3 A. With the letter I mentioned that I did find 4 relating to the math department.
- 5 O. And do you know if she was reimbursed by the 6 school?
  - A. No, I don't.

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8 MS. STRONG: Object as the question misstates 9 the testimony.

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- O. When you were talking about cleaning supplies, 11 12 you stated that -- I believe you stated that Crenshaw 13 lacks classroom supplies and in part you were relying on 14 the fact -- on your understanding that certain classrooms 15 lacked cleaning supplies at times; is that correct?
  - A. I did list that as a resource needed for class.
- 17 O. Okav.
- 18 A. Not a major resource, but one of the resources.
- 19 Q. Is it your understanding -- do you believe that 20 all of the classrooms should be stocked with all cleaning 21 supplies? 22
  - MR. FOX: Objection. Vague and ambiguous. THE WITNESS: Not necessarily with all cleaning
- 24 supplies. I don't know what you mean by "all cleaning 25 supplies."

amount of days. I mean --

2 BY MR. FERNANDES:

- 3 Q. It was just -- if I am asking some questions, 4 that I know we went over these areas, and I reviewed the 5 transcripts and it was just unclear, so I am asking some 6 of these questions.
  - MS. STRONG: I apologize if it hasn't been asked and answered. All for clarification.

MR. FERNANDES: I understand.

- Q. You stated that -- you stated your belief that Crenshaw was overcrowded compared to other schools, that other schools had smaller classes. What other schools were you referring to that had smaller classes than
- 14 Crenshaw?

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- 15 A. Basically schools that were in other areas. 16 Just basically schools that were in other areas.
  - Q. Do you have any specific schools, the names of any specific schools in mind?
    - A. No, nothing that I can remember.
- 20 Q. So when you were saying that Crenshaw was overcrowded compared to other schools, you didn't have 22 any specific schools in mind?
  - A. Well, actually just based on some of the other schools that students would -- well, there were students that would come to the Community Coalition and they

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## BY MR. FERNANDES:

- 2 Q. I think you were talking about spills that 3 occurred in the classroom and then you had to go outside 4 of the classroom --
  - A. Correct.
- Q. -- to find something to clean that up with. So I was just wondering is that something that you believe that every classroom should have a supply to address spills inside the classroom? 10
  - A. As far as paper towels, yes, but I also mentioned like erasers for the board.
  - Q. Yeah. And I don't want to go over all of that. I was just mainly talking about cleaning supplies.
  - Okay. On your third day of deposition, you stated that students stood during classes. Do you recall the names of the students that were standing during classes?
- 18 MR. FOX: Objection. Vague and ambiguous. 19 THE WITNESS: No.
- 20 BY MR. FERNANDES:
  - Q. Do you know how long those students stood? MS. STRONG: Objection. Asked and answered. THE WITNESS: Yeah. I did answer those
- 24 questions already. They were specific classes. The idea 25
  - mentioned were students were standing for a certain

weren't related to the issues that we were dealing with,

2 but they were there just to see, you know, what was going 3 on throughout the meetings.

There were schools that represented to us in newspaper articles that were -- I mean like, I said there, were students that would come in and they would talk about, you know, how their schools were.

- Q. Do you recall what any of those schools?
- A. No.
- 10 Q. Do you recall the names of the students that told you that their schools were less crowded?
  - A. No.

MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance. I can give you a whole bunch of names of schools.

MR. FERNANDES: Well, I am asking Delwin.

16 MR. FOX: I don't know that we need his 17 testimony for this.

BY MR. FERNANDES:

- 19 Q. Do you know if other schools in California have 20 larger classes than Crenshaw?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And what schools have larger classes than
- 23 Crenshaw?
- 24 A. The five schools that I mentioned. I mean if 25 you want to read them off, I can just based on -- I can

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- 2 Q. Those five schools that you mentioned have 3 larger classes than Crenshaw?
  - A. I mean, well, actually not all the classes. I mean not all the schools. Maybe about two or three other and maybe like a few more I can add on to.
    - Q. What are those schools?
- 8 A. I believe that Fremont has a larger number of 9 classes.
- 10 Q. Not a larger number of classes, but I believe we 11 are talking class size.
- 12 A. Yeah. Class size. Fremont, yeah, I can name 13 that one. Fremont.
  - Q. And any others?
- 15 A. Manual.
  - MR. FOX: Let's make sure the record is clear if you don't mind.

18 We are talking about schools where on average 19 there are more than, say, 35 to 40 students in a class, 20 if you say, as a ballpark figure, those are the numbers 21 for Crenshaw.

22 MR. FERNANDES: I object to that. I am not 23 putting a specific number on him. I am asking him his 24 opinion. He stated that Crenshaw was overcrowded when 25 compared to other schools, and I would like to know what

- 1 A. Which are the out of three -- out of the five 2 schools, I'm not sure if they have smaller classes, but 3 they could probably be smaller or equal to the amount 4 that Crenshaw has, which is Manual, Locke, Dorsey.
  - O. I believe you said Manual had a larger class size?
- 7 A. Actually, you know what? I am not too sure 8 about Manual, then. I am not even going to say Manual 9
- 10 Q. Which schools do you think have smaller class 11 sizes than Crenshaw?
- 12 A. Washington does, just based on my experience. 13 And the other schools that I mentioned, Locke and --
  - O. Locke?
- 15 A. Yes. The reason I asked you to say those five 16 schools again, because I don't think I mentioned Locke.
- 17 That was one of the new schools that we did add.
- 18 Q. And how do you know that Locke has smaller class 19 sizes than Crenshaw?
- 20 A. That's just based on my opinion. I believe that 21 they do have smaller classes.
  - Q. What is your opinion based on?
- 23 A. Just based on students that I did meet from 24
  - Locke and when I asked them, when they were asked how
- 25 many students were in their classrooms. I didn't ask

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- schools he thought had larger class sizes and what
- 2 school -- and I don't think you need to put a number on
- 3 it for him for large classes. But I am talking for class 4
  - size and that's okay for clarification.
- 5 Q. We are talking about individual class sizes 6 which schools have larger class sizes than Crenshaw, but
- 7 there is no specific number unless you have a specific
- 8 number in mind.

- A. No, I don't.
- 10 MR. FOX: Are you clear on what we are talking 11
- 12 THE WITNESS: Uh-huh.
- 13 BY MR. FERNANDES:
- 14 Q. And do you know of schools that have smaller 15 class sizes than Crenshaw?
- 16 A. Other than the schools that I haven't mentioned 17 out of the five schools, I am not too sure if they have 18 smaller classes or not, but --
- 19 Q. I am not sure, other than the schools that you 20 haven't mentioned?
- 21 A. I mentioned two schools which was --
- 22 Q. That have larger class sizes?
- 23 A. Correct.
- 24 Q. Now I am asking if you know of schools that have
- 25 smaller class sizes?

- them specifically, but I was in the conversation when
- 2 they were asked how many students do they think are in 3 their classes.
  - O. These are students from Locke?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. Do you have the names of any of those students?
  - MR. FOX: Again, objection, relevance. I think class sizes around the state are publicly available. We
- 8 9 don't need Delwin's testimony to establish that.
- 10 THE WITNESS: I don't remember any names. I
- believe one of them is -- one name is -- I mean one 11 12 person's name is Ricardo. I'm not too sure. I don't
- 13 really keep in touch with them that often, but I think
- 14 his name is Ricardo.
- 15 BY MR. FERNANDES:
  - Q. And is he a member of the Community Coalition?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. I was, in reviewing the transcript, I was
- 19 a little confused by your statements about you discussed
- 20 a poem, Ulysses poem, I believe, or worksheet in
- Mr. Hornbeck's class. Do you recall that? 21
- 22 A. Was that regarding the amount of copies that --
- 23 Q. That were passed out, I believe.
- 24 A. Okay. Yes.
- 25 Q. Do you recall Mr. Hornbeck passing out the poem

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- 3 O. And I believe you stated that two students,
- 4 including yourself, did not receive a copy of that poem
- 5 or worksheet: is that correct?
  - A. Correct.
- 7 O. Did Mr. Hornbeck realize that you didn't have a 8 copy of that poem?
  - A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And did he make any suggestion to you as to what 11 you should do?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. What did he tell to you do? 13
- 14 A. He told me that I could probably just copy the 15 poem on a sheet of paper because we had to put -- make a
- poem packet anyway, and as far as making a design and 16 17
- everything, and so he just figured if I am copying down 18 on a piece of paper, I will make my design to it and
- 19 everything. That would be -- I mean it would count as
- 20 far as the assignments being done. And that was it.
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  - Q. Is that what you ended up doing?
- 22 A. No.

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- 23 Q. What did you end up doing?
- 24 A. I ended up getting the poem off the Internet.
- 25 Q. Why didn't you do what he suggested that you do?

- when there were fires, none of them went off. So my 1
- 2 belief was that they didn't work.
- 3 BY MR. FERNANDES:
  - O. Okay. And do you know how fire sprinklers work?
  - A. Not exactly. I am not an expert in that so --
  - O. Or at what point they should be triggered?
- 7 A. My whole thought was they should be triggered
- 8 when there's smoke or when there is a high-rise in the
- 9 flame, but -- I mean, like I say, I am not an expert in 10 it so I wouldn't know exactly.
  - O. You stated that some bathrooms were closed at certain times. Do you know why they were closed?

MR. FOX: Asked and answered.

THE WITNESS: No. I don't.

BY MR. FERNANDES:

- Q. Did you ever ask an administrator or any administrator which bathrooms were open at which times?
- 19 Q. You testified that there were no doors on some 20 of the stalls in the bathrooms. Do you recall that?
- 22 Q. Do you know why there were no doors?
- 23 A. No. Well, what I know is some of them looked
- 24 like they could have been broken off, but other than
- 25 that, they probably could have been removed.

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- 1 A. Well, because if I wrote it down, I thought that 2 it probably wouldn't be as legible as far as if I wrote 3 it down in pencil and then colored it in and everything, 4 it probably wouldn't be as legible, or you probably
  - couldn't see it if it was done in pencil. So I figured if I get it off the Internet, it would be clear. It would be in ink and I will put my own design.
- 9 Q. Okay. And can you give me the names of any 10 other students that could verify this, particularly the second student? Do you remember the second student that 11 12 didn't receive the poem?
- 13 A. No. I mean even if I did remember the names, 14 they probably wouldn't remember.
- 15 Q. Okay.
  - A. So --
- 17 Q. You testified that one of the problems with the facilities was the fire sprinklers looked rusty or had 18 19 cobwebs. Do you recall that?
  - A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Do you know if those fire sprinklers worked at 22 that time?
- 23 MR. FOX: Objection. Asked and answered. We 24 have been over this.
  - THE WITNESS: During the time, I did state that

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- 1 Q. You stated that different toilets appeared to be 2 backed up on different days. And I think your testimony 3 was it wasn't the same toilet each day that you went in
- 4 there; is that correct? 5
  - A. Correct.
  - Q. So is it your understanding that the district or the school -- that the toilet from the previous day that was backed up was fixed?
    - A. It could have been.
- 10 Q. It was no longer -- when you came in the next day or the next time you visited that restroom, it was no 12 longer clogged; is that correct?
  - MR. FOX: Lacks foundation, calls for speculation, assumes facts.
- 15 THE WITNESS: I believe in my testimony the 16 third day, I did say that I think it was the PE bathroom. 17
- I did state that one of the toilets was backed up for 18 more than one day.
- 19 BY MR. FERNANDES:
- 20 Q. Okay. So one toilet was backed up for more than 21 one day?
- 22 A. Yes. But other than that, if they weren't
- 23 clogged anymore, they could have been fixed.
- 24 MR. FOX: Well, don't speculate.
- 25 BY MR. FERNANDES:

- 1 Q. I think you stated that there were eight boys' 2 bathrooms, but only three were open; is that correct?
  - A. That I was aware of.
- 4 O. Open to students; correct?
  - A. Right.

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- O. And the remaining five I think you stated were locked each time you tried to go into them; is that correct?
- A. Correct.
- 10 Q. How many times did you try to go into each of those bathrooms? Let's start first did you try to go 11 into each of those five at least one time? 12
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And how many times did you try to go into each 15 of those five bathrooms?
- A. No more than -- throughout the whole school 16 17 year?
- 18 Q. Yeah.
- 19 A. No more than two times, two or three.
- 20 Q. Two times to each of those bathrooms?
- 21 A. Two or three, yes.
- 22 Q. Two or three into each of those bathrooms and 23 they were locked each of those times.

24 And could you give me the names of any other 25 students who could verify these bathrooms were locked or

investigations and then algebra 1A again. Do you recall 2 that?

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O. I believe you also testified that a teacher told you that there were an insufficient number of algebra 1B classes available at Crenshaw: is that correct?

- A. Correct.
- Q. Who was that teacher?

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Q. When did she tell you that?

A. I believe it was the first week of the second semester when I was in math investigations.

Q. How did you feel about repeating the same material, would you say, two or three semesters in a row?

MS. STRONG: Objection. Vague and ambiguous, 15 16 relevance.

THE WITNESS: My whole thing was I was more so worried about me having -- I mean wanting to get the opportunity to go ahead with my classes. It also gave me a worry that I wasn't going to be able to graduate.

I mean I just had like a first start being in high school and I was already repeating classes that I already took for a teacher that doesn't come on time. How would she know the progress of students, how the students are going to progress in other classes.

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would also notice that these bathrooms were locked?

A. Dahja, Brian. I mean there's a number of students. Who else? Kenneth, Jasmine, Garvin. That's all the names I can remember right now.

MR. FERNANDES: I think that's actually all of my questions.

MR. FOX: Can we take a few minutes off the record?

9 MS. STRONG: Want to take break?

10 MR. FOX: Yes.

11 (Recess taken.)

12 MR. FOX: Could we go back on.

**EXAMINATION** 

15 BY MR. FOX:

> Q. As you know, my name is Ben Fox. I am with Morrison & Foerster. I represent the plaintiffs. My questions like Chris Ferandes will jump around and cover

topics that we covered for the last three and a half days 19 20 so, again, please feel free to ask me for clarification

21 or to explain what topic we are talking about and I will 22 do that.

23 A. Okay.

24 Q. With regard to your algebra classes in Crenshaw, 25 you testified that you took algebra 1A and math

1 Also with regards to there not being a certain

2 amount of classes, I can imagine that the same thing 3 could have happened with other classes. There wouldn't

4 be enough room, so they would place me somewhere else. I

5 mean it also made me feel like, as if my progress as far

6 as passing that class didn't matter as opposed to how

7 many classes there were.

8 BY MR. FOX:

9 Q. Do you think you would have learned more had you 10 had the opportunity to go directly on to algebra 1B after algebra 1A? 11 12

A. Of course.

13 MS. STRONG: Objection. Vague and ambiguous. MR. FERNANDES: Join. And just for the record, 14 I join in the previous objection as well. 15

16 BY MR. FOX:

17 Q. New topic. With regard to your Spanish class in 18 I believe it was ninth grade, you testified that your teacher was absent and Mr. Jones who was a health teacher

19 20 at Crenshaw acted as a substitute teacher for

21 approximately two weeks. Do you recall that?

22 A. That was for my Spanish class in the tenth 23 grade; correct.

24 Q. Did Mr. Jones speak Spanish?

25 A. No, he didn't.

Q. Did he teach from the teachers -- the regular Spanish teacher's lesson plan?

A. No, he didn't.

MS. STRONG: Objection. Calls for speculation. MR. FERNANDES: Join.

THE WITNESS: No, he didn't because the teacher didn't have a lesson plan for us.

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Q. Now, how was it that a teacher who did not speak Spanish was able to teach a Spanish class in the tenth grade?

MS. STRONG: Objection. Calls for speculation to the extent that he has any knowledge that this teacher didn't speak Spanish.

MR. FERNANDES: Join.

THE WITNESS: Actually I know he didn't speak Spanish because I had him as a health teacher in ninth grade.

As far as the lessen plan -- well, could you repeat the question.

MR. FOX: Could you read it back.

22 (The record was read

23 by the reporter as follows:

"Q. Now, how was it that a teacher who did

not speak Spanish was able to teach a

1 MR. FERNANDES: Join.

THE WITNESS: To my knowledge, yes.

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Q. Why?

A. Simply because I figured that -- I mean I was told by my counselor the third time I went to get my class corrected that they were moving people around, so that way they would make room for other students to get into those classes that I needed.

Also during those first couple of weeks, the teachers, all teachers normally say it is like a normal thing, "some you won't be in my class because it's going to get crowded. There is going to be a lot of students that come." And one particular teacher I do remember said, that is Mr. Savage, he did say there was going to be a lot of students coming in. He also said later on during those weeks he was going to try not to accept any more students into his class because it's getting overcrowded.

students into his class because it's getting overcrowded.
Q. With regard to the availability of books at
Crenshaw, we have used the term a "class set of books" or
an "in-class set of books" frequently throughout the
prior sessions. Are those terms interchangeable in your
mind?

A. No, they are not. As far as?

Q. Can you describe to me what is meant by a "class

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Spanish class in the tenth grade?")

THE WITNESS: Basically all he did was give us worksheets, fill-in-the-blank questions that did not relate to the Spanish. Basically I figured that it was just something he can give us to, you know, keep us occupied for that period.

BY MR. FOX:

Q. Did he ever try to speak Spanish to you?

A. He would joke around and try to say something in Spanish. He also told us that he wasn't good at Spanish.

There were no Spanish speakers in our classroom, so therefore we wouldn't know if he was right or not, but like I said, it was mostly just -- I mean by joking around.

Q. Next topic. You testified in ninth grade you enrolled in two science classes and two Spanish classes in the same semester for approximately four weeks. Do you recall that?

A. Yes.

Q. Can you explain again, I know we went over it a little bit, but I believe you described it as a scheduling problem.

To your knowledge was that scheduling problem attributed to overcrowding at the school?

MS. STRONG: Objection. Calls for speculation.

set of books."

A. The way I see a class set of books are books that are just supposed to be used in class as opposed to books that are going to be taken home.

Q. And when you have referred to an "in-class set of books," to what were you referring?

A. When I mentioned class set of books, I was referring to books that are actually going to be in the classroom for students to use for all periods. And then also I mean not counting the books that we actually take home.

Q. In each instance where you testified that a class set of books was available, can we interpret that to mean that you did not have a separate take-home set of books?

MS. STRONG: Objection. Vague and ambiguous and overbroad. We need to see exactly what the question was and see what Delwin was thinking about each question. Asked and answered.

MR. FERNANDES: Join.

MS. STRONG: It calls for speculation. I mean he just has no idea of what you are talking about here.

THE WITNESS: I don't think there were any books that we had a class set of, so -- I mean except for the

25 math class I did mention, that we did have a class set,

1 but we didn't have a set to take home, so I mean 2 basically, I mean, like I said, we didn't have any class 3 sets to take home. So when you say "class set," there

4 was no instance where we had a class set so --5

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Q. Okay. I understand, so let me try and rephrase.

There is a distinction between a set that is assigned to the class and each of its students and that book is yours for the semester and you take it where you want and you use it at home, in the library and in class.

And then there are books that must stay in the class and that students use only when they come in for their assigned period and in a special circumstance when a teacher allows someone to remove a book that's meant for the class and taken outside; is that correct?

A. Correct.

17 Q. And would you say that in the majority of your 18 classes, you had books that were available only for use 19 in class as opposed to your own book to take with you 20 wherever you pleased?

21 MS. STRONG: Objection. Asked and answered. He 22 has already gone through each class and availability and 23 what he had to take home. Objection. Vague and 24 ambiguous. Compound and overbroad.

MR. FERNANDES: And misstates previous

the majority, but some of my classes, that would be 2 correct. In other classes, we didn't have any books

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4 BY MR. FOX:

Q. We may have already gone over this, but I will ask it anyway. In Ms. Beasley's class in tenth grade biology, were you allowed to take biology books home?

MS. STRONG: Objection. Asked and answered. MR. FERNANDES: Asked and answered.

11 BY MR. FOX:

> Q. Was that because there were only enough books for -- strike that. I will rephrase that question.

14 Based on your understanding, was that because 15 there were not enough books for each of the classes that 16 Ms. Beasley taught and that, in fact, Ms. Beasley had to 17 ask the students to share their books with the other 18 classes?

19 MS. STRONG: Objection. Compound. Calls for 20 speculation.

> MR. FERNANDES: Join. THE WITNESS: Yes.

23 BY MR. FOX:

24 Q. With respect to class, algebra 1A 25 in ninth grade, I believe you testified you had a

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testimony. 1

Join in the previous objection.

3 BY MR. FOX:

> Q. And this question goes to Delwin's overall impression of the state of available books at Crenshaw. So if you understand the question --

A. Yes.

Q. -- please respond.

9 MS. STRONG: To clarify, it is not what actually 10 happened. It is what he thinks happened; is that what 11 you are saying?

MR. FOX: No. It's -- I am asking for his general impression of his overall experience at Crenshaw.

THE WITNESS: Can you repeat the question.

15 (The record was read 16

by the reporter as follows:

17 "Q. And would you say that in the majority 18 of your classes, you had books that were

available only for use in class as opposed

to your own book to take with you wherever

21 you pleased?")

22. MS. STRONG: Same objections and asked and

23 answered.

24 MR. FERNANDES: Join.

THE WITNESS: I wouldn't actually say -- not in

textbook for in-class use only. Do you recall that 2 testimony?

A. Yes.

4 Q. How many days during the semester were you 5 allowed to take home your book for algebra 1A in that 6 class? 7

MS. STRONG: Objection. Asked and answered. MR. FERNANDES: Join.

9 THE WITNESS: I don't think there was any time 10 that we could, I mean none that I could remember was there any time that we could take a book home. 11 12 BY MR. FOX:

Q. Was it the general practice in that algebra 1A class for students to leave books in school rather than take them home?

A. Yes.

MS. STRONG: Objection. Please wait for my objection. Then give your answers.

Objection. Vague and ambiguous. Calls for speculation.

MR. FERNANDES: Join.

22 BY MR. FOX:

23 Q. Was that because there were insufficient number 24 of books for the algebra 1A classes at Crenshaw? 25

MS. STRONG: Objection. Calls for speculation.

- Vague and ambiguous. 1
- 2 MR. FERNANDES: Join.
- 3 THE WITNESS: I believe so.
- 4 BY MR. FOX:

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- O. Ms. Strong asked you with respect to your
- Spanish class in tenth grade, talking about 6
- 7 whether there was anything you thought you could have
- 8 done to obtain a better grade in that class. Do you
- 9 recall that line of questioning? 10
  - A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Do you think you would have received a better 12 grade in that Spanish class had you had a textbook of 13 your own to take home?
  - MS. STRONG: Objection. Asked and answered.
    - MR. FERNANDES: Calls for speculation.
- 16 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 17 BY MR. FOX:
- 18 Q. You also identified a number of other classes in 19 which you did not have a textbook of your own to use in 20 class or take home.
- 21 Do you believe the state's failure to supply you 22 with a textbook for in-class use and to take home in each 23 of those classes has interfered with your ability to 24 obtain an education?
- 25 MS. STRONG: Objection. Assumes facts, vague

- A. My estimate, that I know of, that I have 1
- 2 actually seen working, like, I'd say, maybe about ten.
- 3 BY MR. FOX:
- 4 Q. With regard to your need to purchase materials 5 for use at school, you testified that you were required to purchase a journal. Do you recall that? 6
  - A. Yes.

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- 8 Q. Can you tell me in what class or for what 9 classes you are required to purchase a journal?
- 10 A. I can't remember the class, but I believe I said my world history class. I think that was the class. 11
  - Q. World history?
    - A. Yes.
  - Q. Thank you.

15 Again, I am trying to get through this as fast as possible so we are just jumping from topic to topic 16 and this is a new topic. 17

18 I want to ask you about the bird nesting 19 incident in Mr. Hornbeck's class. Do you recall the 20 discussion we had about that?

- A. Yes.
- Q. When Mr. Hornbeck asked you to search the school for a ceiling tile to be inserted into the ceiling of his class, was your search conducted during your class time?
  - MS. STRONG: Objection. Misstates testimony.

- and ambiguous, calls for speculation, may call for expert 1 2 testimony, overbroad.
- 3 MR. FERNANDES: Join.
- 4 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 5 MS. STRONG: May call for a legal conclusion.
- 6 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 7 BY MR. FOX:

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- Q. Your answer again. Okay. New topic.
- 9 If you know, how many computers did they have 10 available in Crenshaw for students' use when you were in 11 ninth grade?
  - A. I don't know.
- 13 O. Can you estimate?
- 14 MR. FERNANDES: Objection. Calls for 15 speculation.
- MS. STRONG: Join. 16
- 17 THE WITNESS: As far as having computers that 18 work or computers that are available that are there? 19 BY MR. FOX:
- 20 Q. How many working computers were there available 21 for students' use?
- 22 MS. STRONG: Objection. Calls for speculation.
- 23 MR. FERNANDES: Join.
- 24 BY MR. FOX:
- 25 Q. To the extent you know.

- Assumes facts.
- 2 MR. FERNANDES: Join.
- 3 BY MR. FOX:
- 4 O. Well, first, before you go back to that, is
- 5 there something I missed in my question?
- 6 A. No.

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- 7 MR. FERNANDES: Objection. Vague and ambiguous.
  - MS. STRONG: Join.
- 9 MR. FOX: Okay. Can we read back what he said 10 prior to the last question.
  - A. Part of it was.
- 12 (The record was read
  - by the reporter as follows:
- 14 "Q. When Mr. Hornbeck asked you to search
- 15 the school for a ceiling tile to be inserted
- into the ceiling of his class, was your 16
- 17 search conducted during your class time?")
- 18 THE WITNESS: Part of it was, yes.
- 19 BY MR. FOX:
- 20 Q. In what class would you have been had you not 21 been searching for a ceiling tile for Mr. Hornbeck's
- 22 classroom?
- 23 A. I believe it was around fourth period.
- 24 Q. Do you know what class was going on during that
- 25 time?

Page 882 Page 884 1 A. Science. MS. STRONG: Objection. Overbroad. 1 2 2 Q. Was that THE WITNESS: No. class? 3 A. Actually no. It was fifth period, fifth period 3 MS. STRONG: Compound. Wait until I finish with 4 4 science. my objections, please, before you give your answer. 5 Q. Was that taught by I 5 Thank you. 6 6 A. Yes. MR. FERNANDES: And asked and answered. Join in 7 7 Q. We spent a lot of time so I just want to take a the previous objection. 8 THE WITNESS: No. 8 couple minutes to talk about bathrooms. First, how long 9 9 BY MR. FOX: is your passing period? 10 A. Six minutes. 10 Q. With regard to the bungalows that are at Q. And by "passing period," you understand I mean Crenshaw High School, is it your understanding that these 11 11 time at the end of your last class and the beginning of bungalows are temporary structures? 12 12 your next class during which you have to get from one 13 13 MS. STRONG: Objection. Calls for speculation, class to another; correct? 14 14 vague and ambiguous. 15 A. Correct. 15 MR. FERNANDES: Join. 16 Q. How long have you had to wait to use the 16 THE WITNESS: Yes. restroom in between classes? 17 17 BY MR. FOX: 18 A. In between classes? 18 O. Do they appear to be constructed -- strike that. 19 MS. STRONG: Objection. Assumes facts. 19 Are they situated on the school yard? 20 THE WITNESS: In between classes? 20 A. No. 21 MR. FERNANDES: Join. 21 MS. STRONG: Objection. Vague and ambiguous. 22 THE WITNESS: I wouldn't go simply because there 22 MR. FERNANDES: Join. 23 wasn't enough time for me to go. I know I stated during 23 THE WITNESS: No. They are actually in the 24 my third day that I would ask the teacher if I can go use 24 parking lot. 25 the restroom during class time, so that way I know I have BY MR. FOX: 25 Page 883 Page 885 permission to go instead of me being tardy. 1 Q. Can you describe where the parking lot is in 2 BY MR. FOX: 2 relation to the school? 3 Q. How do you know you wouldn't have had enough 3 A. It is more so on the southwest corner. Some are 4 time to use the restroom in between classes? 4 in the southwest corner whereas there is a field in the 5 A. Because I would say on the average between the 5 southwest corner, but it is right next to the field. 6 time it takes me to get to certain classes, it would take 6 They at one time did have a parking lot there. It is, I 7 me four minutes to get to class. 7 guess you could say, on the west side of the school. 8 Also, I mean it's not -- I mean I don't run to 8 Q. Do you know how many bungalows were there or 9 class. I normally take my time to class, walk to my next 9 approximately how many bungalows were at Crenshaw when 10 period, so it would take me on the average of four 10 you started your ninth grade year? 11 minutes. 11 MR. FERNANDES: Objection. Calls for 12 Q. To your knowledge did other students wait to use 12 speculation. 13 the bathroom during these passing periods? 13 MS. STRONG: Join. 14 MS. STRONG: Objection. Calls for speculation. 14 THE WITNESS: When I started at Crenshaw, there 15 MR. FERNANDES: Join. 15 were -- there were none. They were actually being worked 16

MS. STRONG: Vague and ambiguous.

THE WITNESS: I know there were times when students would come to the class late and they would have said they went to use the restroom, but other than that, 20 that's the only time that I know that students had to

21 wait during pass periods.

22 BY MR. FOX:

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23 Q. Have you observed lines outside or inside the 24 bathrooms to wait to use either the stalls or the sinks 25 during passing periods?

16 on when I started at Crenshaw.

17 BY MR. FOX: 18

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Q. How many were there at the time you left Crenshaw a year and a half later?

MS. STRONG: Objection. Calls for speculation.

21 MR. FERNANDES: Join.

22 THE WITNESS: There are about 15.

23 BY MR. FOX:

24 Q. With regard to the availability of college 25 counselors at Crenshaw, you and Chris spoke about this

briefly this morning, how many college counselors were there available to assist you at Crenshaw during your 2 ninth grade year? 3

MR. FERNANDES: Objection. Vague and ambiguous, calls for speculation.

MS. STRONG: Join.

THE WITNESS: For me, one, simply because they 7 8 are labeled by magnet and regular students, and within those regular students, alphabetically. 9

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O. If you know, how many students at Crenshaw did 11 12 that one college counselor have to serve or assist?

MS. STRONG: Objection. Calls for speculation and vague and ambiguous.

MR. FERNANDES: Join.

THE WITNESS: I wouldn't know. But just based on the amount of students that are there, I would say it 17 is a large number. It is not enough for the counselor to 18 speak with -- I mean there's not enough time for the counselor to speak with every student a day that they are 20 in charge of, I am quite sure of that, simply because 22 based on the number of students that are at the school.

MS. STRONG: Objection. Move to strike as nonresponsive after "I don't know" or "I wouldn't know." 24

MR. FERNANDES: Join.

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O. Was the situation the same with the tenth grade counselor that was assigned to you, if there was one? MS. STRONG: Objection. Vague and ambiguous,

calls for speculation.

MR. FERNANDES: Join.

THE WITNESS: If you were a magnet, basically that counselor would be in charge of ninth, tenth -- I mean ninth through 12th grade, magnet students, so I guess we could just brush that up real quick, so yes.

As far as the amount of magnet students in the tenth grade, yes.

BY MR. FOX:

13 14 Q. With respect to all the conditions that exist at Crenshaw, and I don't mean this to be an exclusive list. 15 but I believe you testified that you did not have enough 16 17 books to take home in many of your classes; you had to 18 share books in your English class the entire year; you had two science classes, two Spanish classes during the 19 same period due to class shortages; you had to buy graph 20

paper and journals and other required materials; your 21

22 bathrooms were filthy; your ceiling tiles are missing; you were prevented from advancing from algebra 1A to 1B 23

because, according to the teacher, there were not enough 24

25 algebra 1B classes; the schools were overcrowded; there

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MR. FOX: I think it is responsive, but -- we can talk about that later.

Q. Okay. So with respect to the counselor who was assigned to you in the ninth grade, was it your understanding that that counselor also was assigned to counseling every other ninth grader at Crenshaw?

MR. FERNANDES: Object.

8 MS. STRONG: Join.

MR. FERNANDES: Calls for speculation.

10 THE WITNESS: Can you read the question.

11 (The record was read

12 by the reporter as follows:

"Q. Okay. So with respect to the counselor who was assigned to you in the ninth grade, was it your understanding that that counselor also was assigned to counseling

16 every other ninth grader at Crenshaw?") 17

THE WITNESS: Yes.

BY MR. FOX:

Q. And do you know how many ninth graders there were attending Crenshaw at the time you were in ninth grade?

23 MS. STRONG: Objection. Calls for speculation.

24 MR. FERNANDES: Join.

THE WITNESS: No. No.

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were not enough desks; there were students who stood 1 during class times; the school generally was in poor 2

condition; you found birds or a bird nesting in the 3

ceiling; many of the bathrooms were inaccessible and you 4

5 were taught in bungalows that had no phones and other safety hazards; can you tell us what is the effect of all 6

of these conditions taken together in your ability to obtain an education?

MS. STRONG: Objection. Where to begin? Let's see. It is overbroad, compound, misstates testimony tremendously. In fact, states testimony that he never actually testified to.

MR. FOX: Counsel, if you could just state an objection, that would be wonderful.

MS. STRONG: I am. Assumes facts, vague and ambiguous, may call for expert testimony. I think that about covers all.

MR. FERNANDES: Join.

19 MS. STRONG: I can't imagine how he can answer 20 that question.

21 BY MR. FOX:

Q. And because the lawyer for the state has tried 22 to break down each condition into such a minuscule 23 analysis, I want to get your take on what was the effect 24 25 of all the conditions we talked about taken together on

your ability to obtain an education. That's why I asked 1 2 the question.

MS. STRONG: Same objections.

MR. FERNANDES: Join.

THE WITNESS: Since she wants to break it down as far as bathrooms, if I have to wait to use the bathroom, that's a distraction for me being at class which doesn't allow you me to do my work.

As far as sharing a book, I can't work on my own pace as far as getting the work done if there are students that work slower than me in those classes. Then I have to wait on them, which also puts me in jeopardy in completing my assignments.

As far as the bathrooms being dirty, I mean of course if the bathroom is going to be dirty, other parts of the school are going to be dirty, which causes -which at times causes me not to use the restrooms. BY MR. FOX:

- 19 Q. I hate to interrupt you. I don't want to go 20 back through each of the conditions.
- 21 A. Okay.

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- 22 Q. But I want to know what do you believe is the 23 effect of these conditions taken together --
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- 25 Q. -- on your ability to obtain an education.

Even though I do have the resource to study in 1 2 the general area of the subject, I don't have what I need 3 to actually study in that class which throws me off 4 trying to get the whole point of what I am actually 5 supposed to be learning as opposed to what I am going to 6 learn.

Also it shortens time as far as me trying to learn, as far as if the teacher is not on time. As far as if teacher is not on time, that basically shortens my time to learn. It also -- and also with teachers not having the credibility that they are supposed to have being the teacher conditions at the school, it also affects my learning.

MR. FOX: Thank you. No further questions. MS. STRONG: I would like to move to strike the last answer to the extent it answers something other than how Delwin was affected by specific conditions at Crenshaw during his experience there.

MR. FERNANDES: I join that.

MR. FOX: Delwin, thank you for your patience and for being here through all this. I appreciate it. MS. STRONG: I have additional questions.

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MR. FERNANDES: And I move to strike as 1 2 nonresponsive, the last answer.

MS. STRONG: Are you done with your question? MR. FOX: Yes.

MS. STRONG: Okay. With respect to this question, again, I would like to state it as being overbroad, compound, misstates prior testimony, assumes facts, vague and ambiguous, may call for expert testimony.

MR. FERNANDES: Join.

THE WITNESS: As a whole, I feel that, like I said, it is a distraction. Actually it in a way competes with me trying to learn in the school. It competes with me trying to succeed as far as getting into colleges, competing with others that have a better education than I do, which causes me not to be able to get into certain colleges or progress with pursuing a career as far as not being able to get the necessary help that I need in the school.

In a way, I have to go more broader into how I 21 am going to succeed as far as getting extra, outside of 22 school, with me trying to learn in school. I am not able 23 to -- and even if I do get that help, I am not able to 24 study with some assignments at home because I don't have 25 the resources at home to know what I am going to study.

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## **FURTHER EXAMINATION**

BY MS. STRONG: 2

3 Q. Delwin, I believe you just stated in one of the 4 answers that you just gave that when you shared textbooks 5 in class, it's jeopardized the completion of assignments. Can you identify for me the time at Crenshaw when sharing 6 7 a book in class jeopardized your ability to complete an 8 assignment in that class? 9

A. There has never been a time it jeopardized me in completing an assignment. I know it can happen, but because I knew -- I mean because I knew it could affect me finishing that assignment, I knew I had to work more diligently, quicker, as far as keeping up with the other students. Even other students, they would try to keep the pace going. If one person didn't get it, I would just go ahead and tell them. I mean sometimes I would have to tell him. You know, I had to give him a better understanding of how the assignment goes.

Q. So it has not actually jeopardized your ability to learn at Crenshaw; correct?

MR. FOX: Objection. Mischaracterizes 21 22 testimony, argumentative, harassing.

23 THE WITNESS: Like I said, no, but at the same 24 time it could.

BY MS. STRONG: 25

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Q. Okay. And with respect to bathrooms, I believe you testified that in response to the question about how some of your concerns regarding the bathrooms affects your ability to learn at Crenshaw, I believe you testified that waiting for the bathroom somehow plays into this. Can you identify for me a time at Crenshaw when you waited for the bathroom and it affected your ability to learn at Crenshaw?

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MR. FOX: Objection. Asked and answered I believe during day two or day three. We went through a number of instances when Delwin described the circumstances that he thought affected his ability to learn so I don't want to go back over those times. BY MS. STRONG:

15 O. Go ahead and tell me. You can answer the 16 auestion.

A. Like I said, there were times when I had to wait after school in between -- I mean I think it was sixth period where I did ask the teacher if I can use the restroom. I believe there was only one time she said I could go.

22 That basically affects me learning because if I 23 had enough time during the pass period to go, then I 24 would be there for the whole class, the whole class time. 25 With me going to use the bathroom, that would kill time

lack of education because of what goes on throughout the school, it's hard for me to compete with other students. 3 I mean that are from other schools that are not affected 4 by these conditions. I mean everyone knows about how, 5 you know, you have students that have a better GPA as far 6 as getting into colleges, have better test scores.

If I want to be in a school that doesn't have the necessary resources I need, my test scores aren't going to look that good on the SAT exams or any other exam, so therefore it affects my credibility when I try 10 to apply for a college or a college of my choice.

Q. Okay. Delwin, have you applied for college?

13 A. No, I haven't.

Q. Do you intend to apply for college?

A. Of course.

Q. Do you know the students who you will be 16 17 competing with when you are applying for college? 18 MR. FOX: Vague and ambiguous. Incomplete 19 hypothetical. 20

THE WITNESS: Of course not.

21 BY MS. STRONG:

22 Q. Do you know what college you want to apply to?

23 A. Yes, I do.

O. What colleges?

A. Probably UCLA, San Francisco State University or

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1 as far as me catching back up when I returned to class.

2 Q. Okay. I don't want general. I want specifics. 3 My question is specific, so please focus on the question 4 and to the extent, Delwin, that you have already 5 testified about this issue, I would like to know if there 6 is anything beyond what you already previously testified 7 that you believe is an example of a time at Crenshaw when 8 your ability to learn was affected by having to wait for 9 a bathroom.

MR. FOX: Asked and answered to the extent it may seek to go over prior testimony.

12 BY MS. STRONG:

Q. Go ahead.

A. Other than what I testified, no.

15 Q. Okay. You also just testified something about 16 something causing you to not get into certain colleges. 17

Can you explain to me what you are referring to when you 18 made that statement.

19 A. I mean I did make that statement, but as far as 20 just basically what I meant by it or --

21 Q. Yeah. I don't understand. You said "Something 22 causes me not to get into certain colleges," I believe.

23 I would like you to explain to me what you are referring 24 to.

A. Basically with the lack of resources and the

Santa Barbara University.

2 O. Do you know any students who have applied to 3 college?

A. Yes, I do.

5 Q. Who?

MR. FOX: Hopelessly overbroad.

7 THE WITNESS: Well, I can't remember the names 8 now, but there are some. Well, they already graduated, 9 that's why. But I know there are maybe five students 10 that I know of that applied for college.

11 BY MS. STRONG:

12 Q. Do you know if they got into college, those five 13 students that you are thinking of?

14 A. No, I don't.

> Q. Do you know of any students who have actually gotten into any colleges who graduated from Crenshaw or who are currently attending Crenshaw?

MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance.

19 THE WITNESS: Could you repeat the question. 20 BY MS. STRONG:

21 Q. Do you know of any students who either attended 22 Crenshaw or currently attend Crenshaw who have been 23 accepted to a college? 24

MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance.

25 THE WITNESS: Of course, yes, but like I say, I Page 898 Page 900

- 1 can't remember the name.
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Q. Okay. Do you know any of the colleges, the names of the colleges that they have been accepted to?

MR. FOX: Same objection.

THE WITNESS: I know someone that got accepted at Southwest College, but that's a community college.

8 There was one I think did get accepted into UCLA. Other

9 than that, that's about it.

10 BY MS. STRONG:

Q. Do you know what the GPA requirements are, if any, to get into UCLA?

MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance. And best evidence is not Delwin.

15 THE WITNESS: I don't.

16 BY MS. STRONG:

17 Q. Do you know what the GPA requirements are to get 18 into San Francisco?

19 THE WITNESS: State University?

20 BY MS. STRONG:

Q. State University, if there are any, if you know.

MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance.

23 THE WITNESS: Actually with that college, I

24 believe it is more so on your test scores, your SAT test

25 scores. Some of the students I did speak to that are

1 THE WITNESS: No, I have not.

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- Q. Do you know if the PSAT was offered at Crenshaw?
- 4 A. Yes, it was.
  - Q. Do you know when it was offered at Crenshaw

6 while you were there?

- A. I can't remember the month, but it was offered.
- Q. Was it offered at least one time during your

9 ninth grade year?

A. Yes.

11 Q. Was it offered more than one time during your 12 ninth grade year?

13 A. No.

Q. Do you know if it was offered once, at least one

15 time during your tenth grade year at Crenshaw?

A. Yes

A. Correct.

Q. And that was while you were at Crenshaw; is that

18 correct?

Q. Is there a reason why you didn't take the PSAT

test while you were at Crenshaw in either your ninth ortenth grade years?

23 MR. FOX: Again, I object. Grounds of

24 relevance.

25 THE WITNESS: No.

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- 1 from that college, they are -- they have maybe a 3.5,
- 2 4.0, but they weren't from this area.
- 3 BY MS. STRONG:
- Q. Do you know what the GPA requirements are, if
- 5 any, to get into Santa Barbara? I believe you are
- 6 referring to U.C. Santa Barbara; correct?
  - A. Correct.

8 MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance. And this 9 information is publicly available. We don't need Delwin 10 to tell us this.

THE WITNESS: That's basically the same thing with that college. Students that I have spoke to while I was at the college.

14 BY MS. STRONG:

- Q. The same thing. You don't know the GPA requirements or they rely more on SAT scores?
- 17 A. Right.
- 18 Q. Which?
- 19 A. They are the ones that rely on SAT scores.
- Q. Have you taken the SAT, Delwin?
- A. No. I have not.
- MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance.
- 23 BY MS. STRONG:
- Q. Have you taken the PSAT?
- MR. FOX: Same objection.

1 BY MS. STRONG:

Q. Do you know if Crenshaw offered any assistance with students interested in taking either the PSAT or SAT test?

MR. FOX: Vague and ambiguous.

6 THE WITNESS: Not that I remember, not that I

7 know.

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8 BY MS. STRONG:

- 9 Q. Do you know, for example, if Kaplan Preparation 10 for SAT was offered at Crenshaw?
- 11 A. I have never heard of Kaplan, so I wouldn't 12 know.
- 13 Q. Did you ever ask anybody at Crenshaw -- go off the record.

(A discussion was held off the record.)

MS. STRONG: Can you repeat where I left off.

17 (The record was read

by the reporter as follows:

19 "Q. Do you know, for example, if Kaplan

20 Preparation for SAT was offered at Crenshaw

21 "A. I have never heard of Kaplan, so I

wouldn't know.

"Q. Did you ever ask anybody at Crenshaw --

go off the record.?")

25 BY MS. STRONG:

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O. Let me rephrase that.

Did you ever ask anyone at Crenshaw if there was any assistance offered by the school for students interested in taking the PSAT or SAT test?

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O. Do you think that a preparation course for the SAT test would be useful for you in preparing for that test?

A. Yes.

10 Q. And if that was something that was offered at Crenshaw, do you believe that's something you should have 11 taken advantage of while you were at Crenshaw? 12

MR. FOX: Assumes facts, incomplete hypothetical, and relevance.

15 THE WITNESS: It could have been. I mean I still have time, so I mean during the ninth grade, I was 16 17 just trying to get used to the whole high school atmosphere, so it could have been, but, you know, I still 18

19 have time so --

20 BY MS. STRONG:

21 Q. That applies to your tenth grade year as well? 22 MR. FOX: Same objections.

23 THE WITNESS: Not getting used to the atmosphere, but it could have been. 24

25 BY MS. STRONG:

1 colleges that you are interested in attending? 2

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MR. FOX: Objection. Asked and answered. BY MS. STRONG: 4

O. Okay. I'm sorry, I didn't understand your answer. Please explain to me.

A. After I got done, I said so yes, it could.

O. What could? I am trying to understand your answer. Yes, it could, what is the "it" referring to?

A. Wait. Could we go back --

MR. FOX: Let's go off the record for a minute if you don't mind.

MS. STRONG: There is a question pending, actually. Can we go back on the record.

MR. FOX: We are going off.

MS. STRONG: We are not off the record because this is my deposition. There is a question pending and it is completely inappropriate to take a client out of the room when there is a question pending. It is simple.

MR. FOX: I would like to take a break.

MS. STRONG: I would like to note counsel has walked out of the room. Can we go off the record.

23 (A discussion was held off the record.) 24

MS. STRONG: Are we back on the record?

Q. Delwin, now that you have had an opportunity to

Q. And I want to make sure I understand your answer. It could have been something that you should have participated in if it were offered at your school to prepare you for the SAT; is that correct?

A. Yes.

MR. FOX: Same objections.

BY MS. STRONG:

O. Do you have any reason to believe that you will not get into one of the colleges that you are interested in attending?

MR. FOX: Objection. Calls for speculation. THE WITNESS: Could you repeat that.

13 BY MS. STRONG:

> Q. Do you have any reason to believe that you will not get into one of the colleges that you are interested in attending?

A. Just based on -- just based on what I have talked to certain students at those colleges as far as GPA's. I mean it could help as far as applying to a college, I mean to that certain college, so yes, it could.

MS. STRONG: I would like to move to strike as nonresponsive.

Q. I believe my question was, do you have any reason to believe that you will not get into one of the Page 905

have a discussion with your counsel off the record, are 2 you now able to answer the question that I had asked 3 before you walked out of the room? 4

MR. FOX: Okay. I object to that. What was said off the record was that we had a problem with counsel's tone and we felt that it was harassing and unnecessarily tough at the end of the deposition. And that's why we took a break, not because there is a problem, you know, between Delwin and I.

And while we are off, I realized that he just didn't understand the question. So we ask Ms. Strong to rephrase it.

If you could, then I think Delwin can answer it. BY MS. STRONG:

Q. Well, I would be happy to rephrase the question for you, Delwin, if I understood what it was you had a problem in understanding the question. Can you identify that for me?

19 A. It was just with the tone as far as how you were 20 asking the question.

21 Q. That you didn't understand the question because 22 of the tone that the question was asked?

A. Correct. I mean so I got a little bit 24

frustrated about how you were asking the question.

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question again or do I need to change the question? 1

- A. Rephrase it. Change the question.
- Q. Okay. Why don't I repeat the question. You can fell me what it is that you don't understand about that. How about that? Would that work for you?
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O. Okay. Is there any --

THE REPORTER: Of course.

9 MS. STRONG: Can we please go back and find that 10 question.

11 MR. FOX: Then we are going to have the same 12 problem again.

13 MS. STRONG: Go ahead.

> MR. FOX: You know, I think what the problem was, was he was trying to answer it one way and you were asking it "Do you have any reason to believe," and he said "yes" and I interpreted that to mean he believed he would have less of an opportunity to obtain college admission than someone who went to a different high school.

MS. STRONG: We are not asking for your testimony. We are not asking for your understanding of the question. I feel I am wasting time. I am asking --

MR. FOX: I am trying to clarify.

MS. STRONG: -- if Delwin can explain to me what

A. Are you asking me do I think I am going to get into that college with the education that I have now or --

Q. I want to know if there is any reason in your mind that you believe that you won't get into one of these colleges, a specific reason that you can identify at this point in your life as to why you won't get into one of the colleges you are interested in attending.

Does that help you, Delwin?

A. There are reasons.

MR. FOX: That's a "yes" or "no" question. THE WITNESS: Yes.

## BY MS. STRONG:

O. There are reasons, okay. Thank you. What are those reasons that you can identify right now?

A. The education I received. That's as broad as --I mean it is. That's a broad thing to say, as far as the resources that I have, that I am receiving.

Q. And what is it specifically about the education that you are receiving that suggests to you or leads you to believe that you will not get into one of the colleges that you are interested in attending?

A. Because the assignments that are given and the resources I have to study at home aren't given as much as they should be as far as me being able to have a book to

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he doesn't understand about the question. I will rephrase it once I understand what it is that he doesn't understand about the question.

We don't need your interpretation of the question at this point in time. I am asking Delwin to answer the question, not you.

MR. FOX: Then if we have the same problem, we will have to go back to square one.

MS. STRONG: Please repeat the question.

10 (The record was read

11 by the reporter as follows:

12 "Q. I believe my question was, do you have 13

any reason to believe that you will not get into one of the colleges that you are

15 interested in attending?

16 "A. Yes.

17 MR. FOX: Objection. Asked and answered. 18 BY MS. STRONG:

19 "Q. Okay. I'm sorry, I didn't understand

20 your answer. Please explain to me.")

21 BY MS. STRONG:

22 Q. Delwin, do you understand that question as read 23 back by the court reporter?

24 A. Somewhat.

25 Q. What don't you understand about the question? study on my own time. As far as teachers being late,

2 like I said, that wastes time that I could use to learn.

3 And also even though they do have the SAT prep course or 4

some -- I mean or whatever it is that you mentioned as 5 far as the program that can help you with the SAT --

MR. FOX: Don't take Sabrina's word for it if you don't know, and you testified you didn't know whether they had it or not.

THE WITNESS: As far as that, even if a course is given to help you with the SAT, you still have to have a little bit of knowledge about some of the questions that are going to be asked on there. It is not like if you take a certain program or course, that will help you out with the SAT, they will give you the answer off the bat. You have to have some kind of knowledge of what is going to be on the test, so that way it will be up to your level when you take that test, which with me being in those classes and me not having the resources, that puts me in jeopardy as far as being able to take that

21 BY MS. STRONG:

22 Q. Has anyone at Crenshaw, the administration at 23 Crenshaw, one of the teachers or in the administration 24 ever told you you are not going to get into college 25

because of the education you are receiving at Crenshaw?

1 MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance.

THE WITNESS: No.

BY MS. STRONG:

Q. Did you ever ask anybody at Crenshaw about your ability to enter college?

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Q. Do you know of any students that receive A's at 8 Crenshaw?

MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance.

THE WITNESS: Yes.

11 BY MS. STRONG:

Q. With respect to your testimony about where the bungalows are located at Crenshaw, which you gave in response to questions by your attorney, I believe you testified that at least some of the bungalows are in an area that you described as a parking lot; is that correct?

A. Correct. And if they are not --

Q. How do you know that the particular area you are referring to was a parking lot?

A. The parking lines are still there, there is even when you walk to the first gate to the right, that's a handicap parking space there. Some of the bricks that are lined up for parking are still there.

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Q. Can you remember a single time when there was a car unrelated to construction in that area?

MR. FOX: Again, I object on relevance grounds. And I believe these questions are a waste of time.

THE WITNESS: Like I said, there were some that
were unmarked so I wouldn't know whether they were
construction vehicles or not, but there were some cars
there. They weren't trucks. They were cars that were
parked there. I don't know if they were related to
construction or not, but they were parked there.
BY MS. STRONG:

Q. Do you remember a time when there was any vehicle there that was not related to Los Angeles Unified School District employees?

MR. FOX: Objection. Calls for speculation. THE WITNESS: Not that I know of.

18 BY MS. STRONG:

19 Q. So at this time --

A. Like I say, I wouldn't know if they were employees or not. The cars I mentioned, I don't know if they were employees or not. Like I said, they were parked there. I don't know if they are related to construction or if they were employees or visitors.

Q. Okay. But you can't remember a time when there

was a car there which you could identify as belonging to

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A. Every now and then, yes.

Q. When was the last time you remember there being a car in that area of the school?

MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance. Waste of time, THE WITNESS: About two weeks before I left the school.

7 BY MS. STRONG:

Q. And what was that car doing there?

MR. FOX: Same objections.

THE WITNESS: I don't know what it was doing there. It was a construction truck that was there.

12 BY MS. STRONG:

Q. Was it a construction truck from the district,

14 L.A. Unified School District?

- A. It was an unmarked vehicle so I wouldn't know.
  - Q. But you do know it was a construction truck?

17 A. Yes.

Q. Can you think of any other times that you saw a car in that area?

20 MR. FOX: Same objections.

THE WITNESS: Not the exact month or dates, but there were times where there were other trucks and

23 vehicles in that area. At one time there was a truck

24 with a cement barrel on the back, numerous vehicles

25 dropping off port-a-potties and other car load

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2 a member of the general public; is that correct?

MR. FOX: Objection. Mischaracterizes the testimony. Argumentative, assumes facts testified that he didn't know what the cars were doing there. I think we should move on from there.

THE WITNESS: Correct. Like I said, I wouldn't know.

BY MS. STRONG:

Q. So that was correct?

MR. FOX: No. It is "I wouldn't know."

THE WITNESS: I wouldn't necessarily say it is correct. I am not going to answer that they were there, I mean if they were visitors or not.

BY MS. STRONG:

Q. My question, just so the record is clear, my question to you is can you recall a single time when you saw a car there that you knew belonged to the general public?

MR. FOX: Same objections, and it is completely irrelevant.

THE WITNESS: Like I say, I don't know whether they are there for the public, if they are public parking or not. I wouldn't be able to answer that, if it is correct or not. I don't know why the cars were there. I

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- Q. It is accurate to state, then, it is not used as a parking lot any longer; that is correct?
- A. Cars park there. I mean -- well, since I been gone I wouldn't know, but while I was there, people did park there.
- Q. Do you know if your mother could have driven into that lot and parked there?

MR. FOX: Incomplete hypothetical.

THE WITNESS: I wouldn't know. She wouldn't --I mean she would go up to the school, but there are certain spaces, I mean there are certain places they would park and she knew that were vacant as far as on the

street or in the back area of the school. 15

16 BY MS. STRONG:

- 17 Q. Did it appear to you that that area that you have described where the bungalows were located was an 18 19
  - area that was available for the general public to park?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. It did appear to you such? 21
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Do you know if there are any signs saying "no 24 public parking"?
- 25 A. I didn't see any sign over there, no. I mean I

your attorney's questions with regard to looking for a 2 ceiling tile for Mr. Hornbeck, I would like to get a few 3 things clear.

4 You may have testified to some of this before. 5 If you can bear with, we can go through this quickly.

What year was this that he asked you to look for the ceiling tile?

- A. I believe it was my ninth grade year.
- 9 Q. So you were in Mr. Hornbeck's class during your 10 ninth grade year; is that correct?
  - A. Correct.
- 12 Q. Again, what period did you have Mr. Hornbeck 13 for, second; correct?
  - A. Correct.
- 15 Q. Did Mr. Hornbeck ask you to look for a ceiling 16 tile?
  - A. Yes, he did.
- 18 Q. When was it that he asked you to look for a 19 ceiling tile?
- 20 A. I believe it was fifth period. Yes, fifth 21 period.
- 22 Q. How was it that you were speaking to
- 23 Mr. Hornbeck in fifth period given he is your second 24 period teacher?
  - A. I think it was already answered. As far as the

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never seen signs there so --

Q. How many cars do you remember being in that area any one time since there are bungalows located in that area?

MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance, overbroad, and again, I believe this line of questioning is a waste of the witness' time.

THE WITNESS: I mean as in the majority of -- I mean one time where there were a majority of cars there? BY MS. STRONG:

- Q. Do you need me to repeat the question?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Okay. At any one time how many cars do you 14 believe were located in that area where the bungalows 15
- 16 A. Wait. Just get straight with me do you mean just cars or cars and trucks? 17
  - Q. Vehicles.
  - A. Vehicles? Okay. Maybe about three or four.
- 20 Q. So at the times that you saw vehicles in the
- 21 area located by those bungalows, there was never more
- than three or four vehicles in that area at any one time;
- 23 is that correct?
- 24 A. That I can remember; correct.
  - Q. With respect to your testimony in response to

museum that was on the third floor, I was coming from

- there on an activity. And I went down to his class to
- 3 return some work and he asked me to look for -- he asked
- me if I could look for one real quick since I was out of
- 5 class. I went down to the janitor's office a second
- 6 time --
- Q. I just asked you -- I want to make sure we don't go on forever here. I just wanted to ask you how it was you were talking to Mr. Hornbeck. Have you responded to
- 10 that question fully?
- 11 A. Yes.

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- 12 Q. To make sure it's clear, you were already out of your fifth period class at the time when you went to go 13 14 speak to Mr. Hornbeck; is that correct?
- 16 Q. Were all of the students out of the fifth grade 17 class at that time? Were you doing a class activity 18 outside of the classroom or why was it you were outside 19 of the class?
- 20 A. There were maybe about five or six that was 21 selected to go down to the museum to -- I forgot what it
- 22 was, but there is a reverend there and he wants to know
- 23 if we can help him with the museum as far as bringing in 24 delegates from City Hall to see the museum.
  - MR. FOX: I think that's responsive.

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- 2 Q. Did you have any more that you would like to add 3 to that answer?
  - A. No.

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- Q. So your fifth period teacher asked the five students that you just referenced or identified to go to the museum; is that correct?
  - A. Correct.
- 9 Q. Did the teacher explain to you how long you were 10 expected to be out of class?
- 11 A. No.
- Q. What was your understanding as to how long you 12 13 were supposed to be outside of class that day for your 14 fifth period class?

MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance.

THE WITNESS: My understanding? I mean --16 17 BY MS. STRONG:

18 Q. Uh-huh.

19 A. -- I didn't plan on how long I was going to be out of class. I mean so I really didn't have any 20

21 understanding how long I was going to be out of class.

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24 Q. Do you know at what point in the period the 25 teacher asked you and the four other students to go to

MR. FOX: Objection. Argumentative. 1

2 THE WITNESS: I mean it is class time, of

3 course. I mean you are missing that period of time. Do

4 you mean as in -- what do you mean by that?

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Q. Was it a concern for you that you were missing that class time?

8 A. No, because -- well, I completed my work and 9 everything. I couldn't take the book home during that 10 time so -- I mean other than that, I wasn't missing the 11 class time or anything.

I mean it was a school activity. I was told I could go.

14 MR. FOX: Move to strike as nonresponsive after 15 "I couldn't take the book home or anything." 16 BY MS. STRONG:

O. Delwin, I am not sure I understand with respect 17 18 to the answer that you just gave. You said, "I couldn't 19 take the book home." How does that relate to your understanding as to whether or not you were supposed to 20 21 be in class?

A. Because I mean if I was able to take the book home. I could have went back to the teacher and asked her what was the work that she wanted us to go over in the book. But which there was anything that we had to go

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the museum?

A. I believe it was like the first -- no, actually the last 15 minutes of class. Last 20 minutes of class actually, I believe it was.

Q. So did you have any understanding that you were expected to return to class that day?

A. No, because I already had completed my work and everything so --

9 Q. So it was your understanding you were not to go 10 back to class that day; is that correct?

A. Correct.

Q. Do you know how long you spent at the museum 13 with the reverend that you are just describing?

A. No more than ten minutes or so.

15 Q. Do you know what the other four students did 16 after the ten minutes with the reverend in the museum? 17

MR. FOX: Calls for speculation.

THE WITNESS: Not the rest of them, but I know one of them did go down to his next period. He went in and walked down to his next period class. As far as the rest of them. I wouldn't know.

22 BY MS. STRONG:

23 Q. So it was your understanding, then, that you weren't actually missing class time when you went down to

speak with the reverend in the museum; is that correct?

over or anything, so basically, I mean I figured if she said it was okay for me to go, then I was able to go.

It was a school activity. As far as when I get home, I know that I was going to go ahead and study anyway, so -- but I just couldn't study with the book because I didn't have a book.

Q. Okay. I just want to make sure it's clear. You had no interest in returning to class that day; is that correct?

10 MR. FOX: Objection. Asked and answered. And 11 argumentative. 12

THE WITNESS: I mean as far as having any interest, it's not that I was trying to miss the class. BY MS. STRONG:

Q. No, I understand that. My question is simply did you have an interest in going back to class that day?

MR. FOX: Same objections.

THE WITNESS: No. not really.

BY MS. STRONG:

- Q. So after you left the museum where you were speaking with the reverend, you went down to speak to Mr. Hornbeck; is that correct?
  - A. Correct.

24 Q. And it was at that time that he asked you to 25 look for a ceiling tile. Is that your testimony?

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Q. Did you think Mr. Hornbeck wanted you to miss any class while you were looking for the tile?

MR. FOX: Calls for speculation.

THE WITNESS: No, because when I went to his class, I did tell him. He asked me where I was coming from and he asked me why wasn't I in class, and I did tell him I was down at the museum.

9 BY MS. STRONG:

10 O. So he knew that you weren't expected to go back to class that day, your fifth period class; is that 11 12 correct?

MR. FOX: Calls for speculation.

14 THE WITNESS: I am not saying that he knew, but 15 I guess -- I mean I am not going to say he knew, so I 16 wouldn't know.

17 BY MS. STRONG:

18 Q. But you explained to him that you didn't have 19 to return to your fifth period class; is that correct?

20 A. I didn't say I didn't have to return to my fifth 21 period class. I just told him I was down at the museum and I was going to go on my way to the next class and I 22 23 had to turn in my work.

24 Q. And you didn't tell him that you needed to

25 return to class at that time; is that correct?

THE WITNESS: We might as well take a break now. 1

2 MR. FOX: I would just as soon wrap up.

3 MS. STRONG: Can we go off the record.

4 BY MS. STRONG:

5 Q. Delwin, in response to questions asked by your 6 attorney, I believe you testified that while Mr. Jones 7 was serving as the substitute in your tenth grade Spanish 8 class, you received worksheets from him; is that correct?

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10 Q. And you said that they were fill-in-the-blank 11 worksheets?

A. Correct.

Q. What was it that you were filling in the blank? MR. FOX: Vague and ambiguous.

15 THE WITNESS: I can't remember the exact work. 16 I think it was involving using the right conjugation of a 17 word. But it wasn't Spanish. It was English.

18 BY MS. STRONG:

Q. Okay.

20 A. And some health questions, I believe.

Q. So some of the worksheets related to conjugating 21

22 words in English; correct?

23 A. Correct.

24 Q. Do you know whether that the conjugation of

25 verbs is relevant to your Spanish class?

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- 1 A. That I needed to return to class?
  - O. Correct.

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- 3 A. I mean as far as I knew, I didn't need to so --
  - Q. So you wouldn't have said that to him; correct?
- 5 A. Correct.

MR. FOX: Sabrina, how much longer do you have?

7 MS. STRONG: Sorry?

8 MR. FOX: How much longer do you have? 9

MS. STRONG: I am not sure.

10 MR. FOX: Well, I have noon. I don't think we 11 have long enough to take a lunch break.

MS. STRONG: So we can keep going; right?

MR. FOX: Well, yes, but if you are going to take a lot longer, I would like to take a few minutes.

15 MR. FERNANDES: I have about three questions, 16 but they will be quick.

MR. FOX: What I am asking, does it make sense 17 18 for us to have a ten-minute break?

19 MS. STRONG: Sure. We can take a ten-minute 20 break if that's what you would like. I don't know how 21 long it is going to be. I can't speculate.

22 MR. FOX: Okay. Why don't you keep on going and 23 if it gets late, then we can talk again.

24 MS. STRONG: Okay. Delwin, if you want to take 25 a break at any time, just let me know.

Page 925 MR. FOX: Vague and ambiguous as to "relevant."

THE WITNESS: Are they related?

3 BY MS. STRONG:

Q. Sure.

A. Well, based on what I learned in Spanish, I

6 believe they are not. They have two different ways of

7 conjugating. English and Spanish have two different ways

8 of conjugating nouns, verbs and adjectives, so I don't

9 think it is related.

10 Q. But do you know whether you were taught how to 11 conjugate verbs in Spanish?

12 A. Not by Mr. Jones.

13 Q. No. In your Spanish class?

A. Yes.

15 Q. That's something you could cover in your Spanish 16 class, correct, the conjugation of words?

A. While I was at Washington.

18 Q. So you have had some experience in some Spanish 19 class where conjugation of verbs has been something 20 that's important to the class or taught in the class; is

21 that correct?

A. In Spanish, yes.

23 Q. Do you think knowing how to conjugate verbs in English helps in any way when you are trying to conjugate 24 25

verbs in Spanish?

Page 928 Page 926 point in time; is that correct? A. No. 1 2 A. Which Spanish? 2 MR. FOX: Objection. Argumentative, calls for 3 Q. Any of your Spanish classes. 3 speculation. 4 THE WITNESS: No. 4 A. Yes. 5 MR. FOX: Asked and answered. BY MS. STRONG: 5 BY MS. STRONG: Q. Do you think it would be easier if you knew how 6 Q. Was any of the language in the book in English? to conjugate a verb in English before you tried to learn 7 8 MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance. to conjugate a verb in Spanish? 8 9 THE WITNESS: Yes. 9 A. No. 10 BY MS. STRONG: MR. FOX: Same objections. Relevance. 10 Q. Do you know whether in any of the books that you 11 BY MS. STRONG: 11 used for your Spanish classes, there were exercises 12 Q. And why is that? 12 regarding conjugation of verbs in English? 13 MR. FOX: Same objections. Irrelevant. 13 A. From what I have seen in the book, no. THE WITNESS: Like I said earlier, there are two 14 14 15 O. Which book is it you are referring to? 15 different ways of conjugating them. I mean if you think about it, people that speak Spanish, they don't learn how 16 A. I believe it's called Pasoy Paso, P-a-s-o-y 16 to speak Spanish by learning English verbs first so --17 P-a-s-o. 17 18 O. And what grade level was that that you used that BY MS. STRONG: 18 19 book? 19 O. So it is not necessary to know how to conjugate MR. FOX: Objection. Asked and answered. 20 in English to learn in Spanish; is that your testimony? 20 THE WITNESS: I believe it was tenth grade. 21 MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance, 21 mischaracterizes his testimony. 22 22 23 23 THE WITNESS: No. 24

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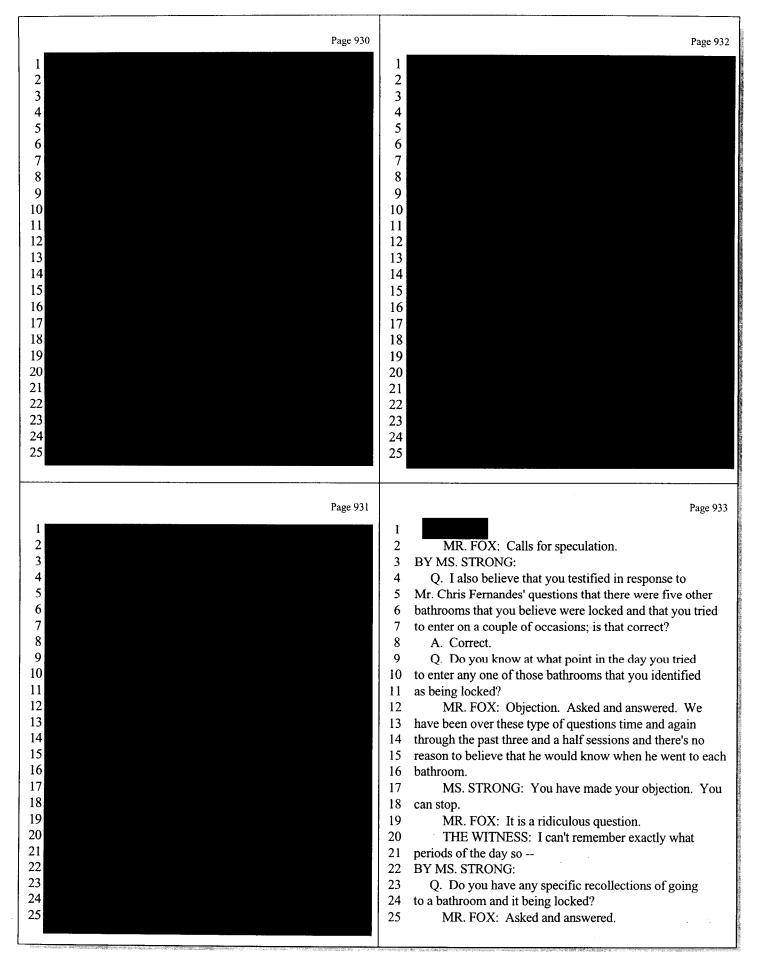
don't even think it would help to know how to conjugate in English before you learn how to conjugate those same 2 3 verbs in Spanish; is that correct? 4 A. Correct. 5 O. In your Spanish classes, either ninth grade at 6 Crenshaw, tenth grade in Crenshaw or thereafter, have you 7 ever been given assignments in English by your Spanish 8 teachers? MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance. 9 10 THE WITNESS: No. 11 BY MS. STRONG: 12 Q. All of your assignments have been in Spanish; 13 correct? 14 A. That I can remember at Crenshaw. I knew at 15 Washington they were all Spanish; correct. O. How about at Crenshaw? 16 17 A. At Crenshaw that I can remember, all of them 18 were Spanish. O. Were you ever given any work in class in English 19 20 at Crenshaw --21 MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance. 22 BY MS. STRONG: 23 O. -- in your Spanish class? 24 A. Not that I can remember. 25 Q. You did use a book in your Spanish class at some

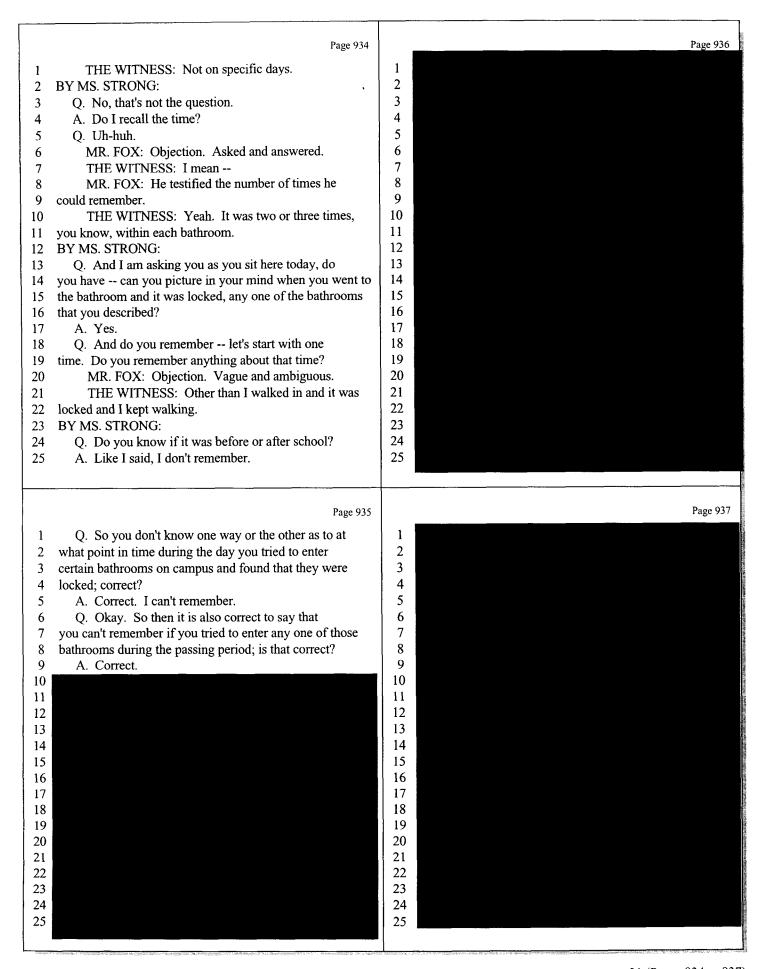
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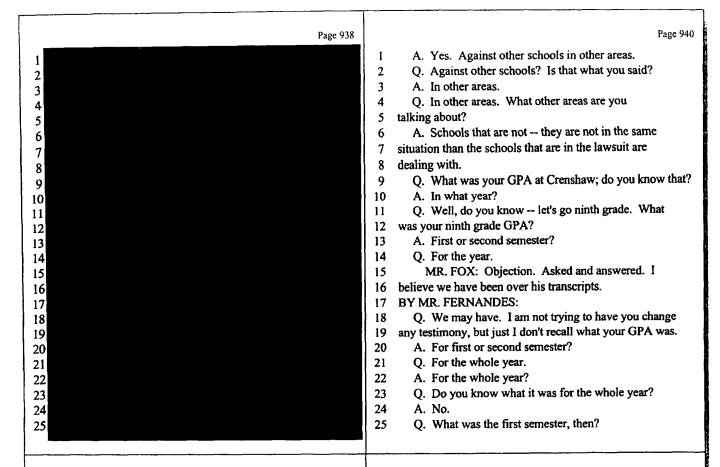
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Page 939 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 MS. STRONG: I have no further questions at this 12 time. 13 MR. FERNANDES: I just had a couple of 14 questions. 15 **FURTHER EXAMINATION** 16 BY MR. FERNANDES: 17 18 O. Earlier did you testify when we were talking about your college applications, did you testify that you 19 20 were concerned that your education at Crenshaw would be -- would put you at a disadvantage basically when 21 compared with other students, students from other 22

Was that your testimony? Were you concerned

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schools? I'm sorry.

that you would be at a disadvantage?

A. I believe it was O. Okay. And the second semester? A. Around same thing. Q. And then tenth grade, first semester? A. First semester, I believe it was maybe around Q. Now, did the conditions that you complained of at Crenshaw affect your ability to get a higher GPA at Crenshaw? 10 A. Yes. Yes, it did. Q. It did. Now, did other students -- I think you testified earlier that other students did receive A's. Do you know of students that had 4.0's at 14 Crenshaw? 15 MR. FOX: Objection. Calls for speculation. THE WITNESS: None that I can remember. 16 BY MR. FERNANDES: 17 O. Do you know of students that had higher GPA's 18 19 than yourself at Crenshaw? 20 A. Yes. Q. Were they subject to the same conditions at 22 Crenshaw that you were subject to? 23 MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance.

THE WITNESS: You know what? No.

MR. FOX: Vague and ambiguous and overbroad.

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Page 942 THE WITNESS: As far as what classes -- I think 1 we have to break down because as far as -- the reason why 2 I said I was affected --BY MR. FERNANDES: 4 Q. Let me rephrase the question. 5 A. Okay. I mean I understand the question. 6 Q. Are you affected differently than other students 7 at Crenshaw by the conditions we are talking about 8 9 generally?

10 A. Yes. 11

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O. You are affected differently than other students?

A. Yes.

14 O. So there are some students at Crenshaw that all of these conditions are satisfactory? Is that --15 16

MR. FOX: Objection. Calls for speculation.

THE WITNESS: I am not going to say --

18 MR. FOX: Vague and ambiguous.

19 THE WITNESS: I am not going to say I believe 20 that it is satisfactory. But they don't have the same

classes during ninth grade year. They didn't have the 21

22 same classes I did.

BY MR. FERNANDES: 23

Q. So you are saying possibly you just had certain 24 classes with some of the teachers you identified that you BY MR. FERNANDES:

Q. Do you understand? Do you want me to rephrase 2 the question? 3

4 A. No. I understand you.

Yes.

O. So you think if you raised your GPA, it would increase your chances to get into one of these colleges that you intend to apply to?

9 MR. FOX: Calls for speculation, incomplete 10 hypothetical.

THE WITNESS: Yes.

BY MR. FERNANDES: 12

O. And do you think that there is anything you 13 14 could have done while at Crenshaw to raise your GPA?

MR. FOX: Objection. Asked and answered. 15

BY MR. FERNANDES: 16

O. And this is general, but is there anything you 17 could have done generally to raise your GPA while you 18 19 were at Crenshaw?

MR. FOX: Objection. Relevance. Overbroad. And we have discussed each of the conditions so it has been asked and answered as to each problem he

23 encountered.

> MR. FERNANDES: We didn't ask whether he thought that he could raise his GPA or whether that would

didn't feel -- or you felt were poor teachers that maybe that's not a reflection of the entire school? There were other good teachers at the school? 3

A. Correct.

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MR. FOX: Calls for speculation, incomplete 5 hypothetical. 6

7 BY MR. FERNANDES:

8 O. So you may have just had some -- by chance you drew some poorer teachers?

MR. FOX: Same objections. 10

THE WITNESS: Yes.

12 BY MR. FERNANDES:

13 Q. Now, do you think that -- do you think that 14 raising your GPA at Crenshaw would increase your chances to get into some of these colleges that you have applied 15

16 to?

17 18 MS. STRONG: Objection.

MR. FOX: Compound.

19 MS. STRONG: Assumes facts. I don't believe he stated that he has applied to any colleges as of yet.

BY MR. FERNANDES: 21

22 Q. I'm sorry. Let me rephrase, then. The colleges 23

that you intend to apply to. 24

MR. FOX: Calls for speculation, incomplete hypothetical.

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affect -- increase his chances to get into one of these colleges.

THE WITNESS: Other than what I have done, no.

BY MR. FERNANDES: O. So you have done everything within your power to I guess maximize your GPA while you were at Crenshaw?

MR. FOX: Calls for speculation. THE WITNESS: As far as I am aware of, yes.

9 BY MR. FERNANDES:

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MR. FERNANDES: I think that's all I had. 24

25 MR. FOX: I have no further questions.

Page 946 Page 948 MS. STRONG: Okay. I just want to note for the 1 STATE OF CALIFORNIA ) 1 2 record that I believe there were some documents that we 2 ) ss 3 had a dispute about as to whether they should be produced COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) 3 in reference -- that were identified in this deposition, 4 I, DELWIN LAMPKIN, hereby 4 5 certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the and we had a dispute as to whether they should be 5 6 State of California that the foregoing is 6 produced. 7 7 And if at a later time it is determined those true and correct. 8 Executed this day of 8 are documents that should be produced, we may have 9 9 2001, at . California. further questions about those documents at that time. Do you have the prior stipulation? 10 10 11 11 THE REPORTER: No. MS. STRONG: May we stipulate that copies of the 12 12 documents attached to the deposition may be used as 13 13 originals; that the original of this deposition be signed 14 **DELWIN LAMPKIN** 14 15 under the penalty of perjury; that the original be 15 delivered to the office of Ben Fox of Morrison & 16 16 17 Foerster: that the reporter is relieved of liability for 17 the original of the deposition; that the witness will 18 18 have 15 days from the date of the court reporter's 19 19 20 transmittal letter to Ben Fox at Morrison & Foerster to 20 sign and correct the deposition; and that Ben Fox at 21 21 22 Morrison & Foerster shall notify all parties in writing 22 23 of any changes in the deposition. 23 24 And then if there are no such changes 24 25 communicated or signature within that time, that any 25 Page 949 Page 947 unsigned and uncorrected copy may be used for all STATE OF CALIFORNIA ) 1 2 2 purposes as if signed and corrected? ) ss 3 MR. FOX: Would 30 days interfere with your 3 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) I, SYLVIA P. SHEAR, CSR #3010, in and for 4 4 schedule in any way? 5 5 the State of California do hereby certify: MS. STRONG: Actually, yeah. I mean 15 days is 6 already pushing it and I was going to ask you if you 6 That, prior to being examined, the 7 would stipulate to something less than 15 days. 7 witness named in the foregoing deposition was by me duly 8 MR. FOX: I think 15 will work. 8 sworn to testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing 9 9 but the truth; MS. STRONG: Okay. 10 10 MS. STRONG: Thank you very much for your time, That said deposition was taken down by me 11 Delwin. I appreciate it. 11 in shorthand at the time and place therein named, and 12 thereafter reduced to typewriting under my direction, and MR. FERNANDES: Thank you. 12 the same is a true, correct and complete transcript of 13 (Whereupon at the hour of 1:33 P.M., the 13 14 deposition was adjourned.) 14 said proceedings. 15 15 I further certify that I am not interested in the event of the action. 16 16 17 17 WITNESS MY HAND this 16th day of July, 2001. 18 18 19 19 20 20 Certified Shorthand Reporter 21 21 22 22 for the State of California 23 23 24 24 25 25