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Posted by Jalapeno Jones on Mon, 07 Feb 2005 22:55:23 GMT

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Posted by cheesesoda on Mon, 07 Feb 2005 23:09:39 GMT

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It's pledges their allegiance to their nation....DUH?

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Posted by cowmisfit on Mon, 07 Feb 2005 23:24:29 GMT

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Its not wrong, your an idiot, your the kind of people who are nothing but hate breeding scum who try to ruin everything that is America. Dle.

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Posted by Sir Phoenixx on Mon, 07 Feb 2005 23:57:09 GMT

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Quote: Anyone else think that having kids say it in schools is wrong? I sure do. If not, please state why.

No, because it isn't, period. (Why should we have to explain our opinion if you won't even explain yours to begin with?)

Plus, they're not even (can't be) forced to say it.

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Posted by prox on Mon, 07 Feb 2005 23:59:54 GMT

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If you don't want to say it, then don't, just stay seated. Although I highly doubt that you have something better to do with ten seconds of your life.

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Posted by cowmisfit on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 00:19:41 GMT

xC4pRoXIf you don't want to say it, then don't, just stay seated. Although I highly doubt that you have something better to do with ten seconds of your life.

The sadest part is at my school half the kids don't even put there arm over there heart, they jus stand there at a slouch, god damn't. I mean stand up and take some pride in your nation for the love of god.

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Posted by TheGunrun on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 00:46:08 GMT

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"one nation above mexico under canada"

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Posted by greb on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 00:55:20 GMT

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I say keep it optional. If you wanna say it then say it. If not, your not hurting anyone by staying seated. Some kids at my school mix the two. They say it sitting down...

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Posted by Crimson on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 02:52:57 GMT

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Democrats at their very finest. Go on, assholes, keep hating your country.

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Posted by cheesesoda on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 03:03:22 GMT

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But, it's not hate, it's dissent, and remember what Thomas Jefferson said... :rolleyes:

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Posted by Jecht on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 03:20:49 GMT

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J\_ball430But, it's not hate, it's dissent, and remember what Thomas Jefferson said...

lol!!! I was just thinking about that bullshit quote Engi said before I saw this lol.

Subject: The pledge of allegiance Posted by Fabian on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 03:35:43 GMT

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SHUT.

THE.

FUCK.

UP.

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Posted by cheesesoda on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 03:39:14 GMT

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I have nothing wrong with the dissent quote, but SFLT just likes to overuse it and make it an excuse for every little anti-American comment he makes.

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Posted by IRON FART on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 03:46:57 GMT

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You don't have to say it.

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Posted by msgtpain on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 03:51:25 GMT

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### SEAL

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unpatriotic. So, put up or shut up.. Where can I find that quote from Mr Jefferson? Surely it must be in some text, somewhere, right?

Prove it.

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Why should ANYONE have a problem pledging their allegiance to their country unless they don't want to pledge it? And why would someone NOT want to pledge their allegiance to the country? Don't like the "god" bit? Don't say that part and shut the fuck up. The pledge is a personal oath of being an ally of your country. You don't HAVE to say it "their way" but if you don't want to say it at all then get the fuck out and make room for people who want to be here.

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Posted by Fabian on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 04:04:36 GMT

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Subject: Re: The pledge of allegiance

## Posted by PointlessAmbler on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 04:14:04 GMT

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Jalapeno JonesAnyone else think that having kids say it in schools is wrong? I sure do. If not, please state why.

I take it you didn't notice that this forum is primarily conservative?

Any other point I was going to make was already made by the others here.

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Posted by msgtpain on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 04:15:03 GMT

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That Google means nothing to me, I simply asked for proof that it came from Jefferson.. A thousand uses on Google doesn't mean that it's factually correct.. In fact, I can't seem to find that quote anywhere in the Jefferson digital archive http://etext.virginia.edu/jefferson/quotations/foley/can you?

It is my assumption that this quote was fictitiously fed to the public by some organization such as The American Patriot Friends Network, and it's been taken as fact ever since.

If you look at some of the things that Jefferson actually said, It would seem that he thought the exact opposite.

Quote:republican government required the losing side to support the nation's decision: That the aggressions and injuries of the belligerent nations have been the real obstructions which have interrupted our commerce, and now threaten our peace, and that the embargo laws were salutary and indispensably necessary to meet those obstructions, are truths as evident to every candid man, as it is worthy of every good citizen to declare his reprobation of that system of opposition which goes to an avowed and practical resistance of these laws. To such a resistance I trust that the patriotism of our faithful citizens in no section of the Union will give any countenance. Where the law of majority ceases to be acknowledged, there government ends, the law of the strongest takes its place, and life and property are his who can take them. [Jefferson, letter to John Gassaway, February 17, 1809.]

### Quote:

While the principles of our Constitution give just latitude to inquiry, every citizen faithful to it will, with you, deem embodied expressions of discontent, and open outrages of law and patriotism, as

dishonorable as they are injurious; and there is reason to believe that had the efforts of the government against the innovations and tyranny of the belligerent powers been unopposed among ourselves, they would have been more effectual towards the establishment of our rights.[Jefferson, letter to "The Republican Mechanics Of The Town Of Leesburg And Its Vicinity," March 29, 1809.]

#### Quote:

Political dissension is doubtless a less evil than the lethargy of despotism, but still it is a great evil, and it would be as worthy the efforts of the patriot as of the philosopher, to exclude its influence, if possible, from social life. [Jefferson, letter to Thomas Pinckney, 1797.]

So I say again, if you would like to use this "quote" as some sort of affirmation that you should speak out against the government, and believe that one of our Founding Fathers explicitly gave you that duty, please show me where he said so..

Subject: The pledge of allegiance Posted by Wyld1USA on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 04:22:27 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

It is a symbolic pledge. Doesn't commit you to anything other than confirming and expressing your patriotism, which we all should have if you are standing on the same ground I am, good o' US of A. :salute:

Subject: The pledge of allegiance Posted by cowmisfit on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 11:28:32 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Subject: The pledge of allegiance

Posted by Chronojam on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 13:58:18 GMT

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If their parents teach them to pay their taxes in a timely fashion, that's enough allegience for me and probably lots of the government to care about. If they stop paying their taxes, they can get out. It's that simple. Hmmm... I sorta like this concept.

People new to this country who want to be citizens should pledge because they never have before. That makes sense. They should do it a couple times just to make it clear they're serious.

I think that once I've pledged a few thousand times, it's redundant. I'm a citizen, was born a citizen, I pledged, my parents paid their taxes (hell, I paid my taxes). Why should it be questioned again? And if I was a terrorist, I could always just lie and go through the motions, couldn't I? So it doesn't matter at this point, and it's really not practical unless there's some special reason.

... I'm curious, why does it make me now hate my country if I opt out of pledging again?

Subject: The pledge of allegiance Posted by Doitle on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 14:26:18 GMT

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Chronojam makes about the best argument here against mandatory pledging.

I dunno I like the pledge. It seems hunkey dorey to me. I just don't get why people hate it so much. It's not like it's ten minutes long or has a stupid dance accompanying it. Why make such a big fuss over something so simple. It takes about 10 seconds to say...

GOM< GOM GOMGO WE KANT SUBJEKT SKOOL STUDANTS 2 DIS TRAVISTY OF JUSTISE!!1111!!!!!

Subject: The pledge of allegiance

Posted by cheesesoda on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 14:52:53 GMT

It's still just a pledge of your allegiance. It's not an oath. You DON'T have to say it. Not to mention that this JalepenoJones idiot says it shouldn't even be said in schools...now WTF? If you don't want to say it, fine, you don't have to, but to remove it from schools? C'mon. It's also just 10 seconds of your life to remind yourself what you love about this country.

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Posted by Jecht on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 16:09:58 GMT

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Funny how the first site I found that had this quote:

Quote: "Dissent is the highest form of patriotism." (Thomas Jefferson)

Also had this one:

Quote: "Although it is not true that all conservatives are stupid, it is true that most stupid people are conservative." - John Stuart Mill

Take a look if you want: http://quinnell.us/politics/quotes.html

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Posted by Panther on Tue, 08 Feb 2005 23:56:53 GMT

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In history class we learned about a time when Republicans were really cool...

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Posted by Fabian on Wed, 09 Feb 2005 00:14:05 GMT

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What the FUCK does this prove? Of course, people won't like it, but even you said that you have the RIGHT to do it. Not pledging alliegance to something and telling Black people to die are two different things. If instead of pledging alliegance people decided to rip down an American flag and take a shit on it, then you may have a comparison. Oh, and telling me to die is not only very mature, but very effective in getting me killed.

PantherIn history class we learned about a time when Republicans were really cool...

LOL.

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Posted by Jecht on Wed, 09 Feb 2005 00:31:42 GMT

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PantherIn history class we learned about a time when Republicans were really cool...

Anyone ever hear this kid say anything somewhat intelligent? because from what I have seen, all he does is those stupid one-liners he conceives as clever.

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Posted by cheesesoda on Wed, 09 Feb 2005 00:57:21 GMT

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PantherIn history class we learned about a time when Republicans were really cool...

I just learned about a time where the Democrats were once assholes. The class? Current Events.

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Posted by cowmisfit on Wed, 09 Feb 2005 01:24:58 GMT

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In my history class we learn the same bullshit that is ruining the moral fabric of my nation and the world., aka the same crap javvax or what ever his name is SuperDickEngine and the others spew out in everyone of there post. You dumb bastards are ruining everything that is America. Die.

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Posted by Javaxcx on Wed, 09 Feb 2005 01:31:58 GMT

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What, you mean "Love thy neighbour"?

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Posted by cowmisfit on Wed, 09 Feb 2005 01:35:34 GMT

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JavaxcxWhat, you mean "Love thy neighbour"?

No i mean how you take EVERYTHING WORD FOR WORD AS LITTERAL AS POSSIBLE, so you take things such as saving thousands and thousands of lives and giving justice to millions lost and make them wrong. YOu hate freedom sir, i don't give a shit what you say, you hate it, your cover as using religion is just bullshit. You even have to soil the name of chirst to try and get your views accross.

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Posted by Javaxcx on Wed, 09 Feb 2005 01:39:37 GMT

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I have never said the war was morally wrong. I very much agree with the morality backing the war. Something I've said many times, and being the typical right-winged nutjob that you are (thankfully, one that still can't vote), you've convieniently ignored it to pass your illogical and misinformed agenda.

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Posted by cheesesoda on Wed, 09 Feb 2005 01:43:56 GMT

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As the wise late Freddie Mercury once sang, "Easy come, easy go, will you let me go?" I think he speaking for this subject. kthx.

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Posted by Fabian on Wed, 09 Feb 2005 02:08:45 GMT

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Holy shit. I didn't know such a level of ignorance was possible!

The sad part is, when you are able to vote, you'll most likely vote Republican regardless of who is running. If I, on the other hand truly believe the Republican candidate is better, I'd gladly vote for him instead. Hell, I'm from Massachusetts, and we have a Republican governor...

People like you can be dangerous to this country.

# Subject: The pledge of allegiance Posted by cowmisfit on Wed, 09 Feb 2005 02:25:33 GMT

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So can fucking idiots like you who assume everything. The world would be much better off with out you, we would be able to go into Iraq and flattent he place and kill until we get the answers we want to protect our people, however nutjobs like you choose to take anothers life over those of your own countrymen. You do our founding fatheres proud i do say :rolleyes:

And no, I vote for who i think will lead this nation the best. I don't see an R and D i see the subjects and who has the best plan for either or if neither have a solid plan. Retard.

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Bow down to the musical genius!

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Posted by Jecht on Wed, 09 Feb 2005 04:22:23 GMT

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if Democrats had my views, i would be proud to call myself one, but they dont, so....they suck lol jk, u liberals are amusing. without you, we wouldnt be able to say someones wrong!

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Posted by Fabian on Wed, 09 Feb 2005 04:23:38 GMT

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LOL. ROTFLMAO!!!!1!

No.

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Posted by Doitle on Wed, 09 Feb 2005 04:25:30 GMT

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He's right Seal. The balance would be lost. We'd be on here.

Manz: I agree with a conservative stance on policy.

Duder: Me too

Bodo: I dunno I think it's usually ok

Duder: OMG HES SLIGHTLY LESS CONSERVATIVE FLAME HIM!!!!!!!

Manz: I can't comprehend how you can be such an idiot bodo

Reet: BODO IS A TERRORIST

It wouldn't have that same magic...