

Diversity Matters: Think Tank #2

Students, teachers, administrators, and community members are all invited to **join us** for a brief **panel discussion** followed by a **group dialogue** about HillTV, about campus diversity, and about how to take action from here.

Wednesday, November 30

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Eggers Hall, Room 220

The debate over HillTV is not merely a debate about whether or not a specific representation was offensive: there is no doubt that the content of "Over the Hill" was deeply problematic. The real importance of the issue is that the range of opinions and debates about HillTV and "Over the Hill" serves as an index for the assumptions about race, class, gender, sexuality, ethnicity, and religion that prevail on our campus. It also serves as a test case for what happens when institutional authority clashes with the student body, and when campus culture clashes with campus policies. Questions arise out of the debate, and those questions are why HillTV matters. Regardless of one's opinion of the role of the Chancellor's administration, the "free speech" vs. "hate speech" dilemma, the magnitude of campus-related victimization, or the intersection of diversity and community, HillTV has opened those questions up for discussion. The HillTV incident matters, therefore, because it forces our campus to look inward, to struggle with and discuss the political and cultural issues that form the very basis of our interactions with our peers and community.

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- Light refreshments will be served •