Multicultural Education Timeline: Immigration

Throughout history, American immigration has transformed the culture of the classroom. With an influx of various cultural differences, came an array of needs in order to provide an education to an ever increasingly diverse classroom. The differences in cultural norms would play a role within the classroom and with how instruction would be provided to such diversity. Looking at multicultural education, we must not ignore the effect that immigration has had on the classroom culture and what components of multicultural education are aimed at addressing such diversity in order to achieve educational equality for all students. Several legislative moves would bring about immigration reform. One such event would be the Immigration Act of 1965 which President Johnson signed into law following a large influx of Asian and Latin American immigrants. Acts such as this were aimed at providing equal rights for immigrants; this type of cultural change would also pour over into the classroom.

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