

It's Time to Revisit South Park's Social Justice Episodes

The opening episode of South Park's season 19 was "Stunning and Brave". It's just about perfect for the current chaos in many of America's institutions of learning. Here's the description:

"There is a new principal at the helm of South Park Elementary. He forces the boys to confront the damage they've done through their history of racism and unconscious bias."

The biting satire of the episode is simply savage and, of course, chockful of profanity. You've been warned! Even *Slate* [admitted](#) the beauty of it:

"The refreshing thing about this episode is that, to my mind at least, it picks the right elements of crazy PC culture to mock, while allowing that caring about the sensitivities of minority groups is itself a great thing. Particularly effective is the choice of portraying the PC guys as frat bros, highlighting the way that, especially online, social justice advocates can become just as cliquish and chest-thumping as a stereotype they presumably loathe. Presenting the bros as all white was even more incisive; if you work in the social justice world long enough, it's difficult not to notice how individuals with the most privilege have a way of speaking above and for those marginalized groups they are supposedly trying to help."

Since South Park's Comedy Central channel won't let you watch the full episode for some reason, here are some excellent clips:

And the follow-up episode, "Safe Space", if you didn't have enough of the first one: