'There is no God but Allah'? School accused of Islamic indoctrination

Todd Starnes writes at told the Columbia Daily Herald.

Hanvey said the curriculum has been in place for more than 30 years. She also disputed the allegations that the Islamic religion was taught for three weeks, telling the newspaper they spent three weeks talking about the geography, culture, economics and government surrounding the religion.

So what about other religions — like Christianity? Buddism? Judaisim?

Hanvey said the chapter on Christianity was "put off" until a later date. She told the Daily Herald by the end of the school year the students will have studied other faiths.

Porterfield told me she spoke with her daughter's teacher — and was told a very different story.

"She said they would not be covering it because Christianity is not in the school standards," Porterfield said.

Porterfield and Ellis also took issue with the "white-washing" of the Islamic faith. There were no discussions about extremists slaughtering Christians and Jews. There were no chapters on the extremists beheading people.

"The textbook is a very cleaned up version of Islam," Porterfield said.

Hanvey told the local newspaper that modern events have caused "fear" of Islam — going so far as to compare it to

how Japanese people were treated after Pearl Harbor was bombed.

Well, Dr. Hanvey — flying jetliners into skyscrapers in the name of Allah tends to cause folks to be a bit fearful.

I've been documenting the rise of Islam in American public school classrooms for a number of years. Mississippi high school marching band was ordered not to play "How Great Thou Art" during a half time show. And yet just a few states away public school children are learning the Islamic profession of faith.

I wonder what the Islamic term is for double-standard?