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Not everyone opposed busing white and black students to schools outside their neighborhoods, as the country sought to follow the Supreme Court's mandate in *Brown v Board of Education*. In this image, we see people joining a demonstration at Boston Commons in a pro-busing rally which took place on December 14, 1974. Among other speakers, Rev. Ralph Abernathy addressed the crowd. AP photo, all rights reserved. Image provided here as fair use for educational purposes.

In April, 1971 (eleven months after the Kent State shootings), the Supreme Court of the United States delivered its opinion on school busing.

The high court sent a message to the country in *Swann v Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education*, the now famous case that permitted busing of students to achieve racial integration.

Public schools could no longer ignore the mandates of *Brown v Board of Education*, the case that was supposed to have ended America's policy of "separate but equal."

All schools had to integrate immediately. Although busing children to different school districts seemed like a reasonable "fix," tremendous protests once again erupted throughout the country.

For thirty years, *Swann* was the law. The country, and its schools, were becoming integrated. Busing students from one district to another was part of daily life during the academic year.

But things change—and—so do laws.

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