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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WEBINARS



This is a webinar series that addresses issues related to social justice, diversity, equity and inclusion as it relates to education for all

Members: Free
Non-Members: \$30/webinar

<p><u>ENGAGING DIVERSE FAMILIES WITH GRACE</u></p> <p>12/9/21 4:30PM – 5:30PM</p>	<p>Families have endured trauma with pandemic ups and downs. How do we engage, respond, and build appropriate supports to foster wellness and achievement? Participants will have the opportunity to hear from a panel of family and educational representatives as we tackle this critical question.</p> <p>Speakers: <i>Ayanna Eggleston, Victoria Martinez, Lohren Nzoma, Derrick Padget</i> Facilitator: <i>Dr. Baranda Fermin</i></p>
<p><u>WHERE ARE WE NOW? A CONVERSATION WITH MDE</u></p> <p>2/1/22 4:30PM – 5:30PM</p>	<p>A town hall style meeting to provide updates from the Offices of Special Education and Great Start on relevant topics related to Special Education and Early Intervention as we return to in-person learning during this phase of the pandemic. Participants will have an opportunity to submit questions prior to the event.</p> <p>Speakers: <i>Teri Rink, Noel Kelty</i> Facilitators: <i>Precios Armstrong, Nancy Surbrook-Goins</i></p>
<p><u>THE CRITICAL RACE THEORY DEBATE: PROMOTING A MARKETPLACE OF IDEAS</u></p> <p>2/10/22 4:30PM – 5:30PM</p>	<p>Many are misinformed about the definition of Critical Race Theory (CRT) and its purpose. Join us as we learn about CRT and how it can be used to help you better understand the experiences of individuals from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.</p> <p>Participants will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn the definition of CRT, its tenants, and purpose. • Identify how CRT can be used to better understand the experiences of culturally and linguistically diverse individuals. • Learn strategies to share information about CRT with others who may be misinformed. <p>Speakers: <i>Dr. Jay Marks, Dr. Pam Ross-McClain, Dr. Nathaniel McClain, Dr. Mildred Boveda</i> Facilitator: <i>Dr. Lanissa Freeman</i></p>
<p><u>INCLUSION WORK IS EQUITY WORK: FACILITATING ACCESS AND PARTICIPATION FOR ALL</u></p> <p>4/14/22 4:30PM – 5:30PM</p>	<p>Join us for a presentation exploring inclusion work through an equity lens. The gender and racial bias of teachers identifying disorderly behavior and expectations of children in preschools and early childhood programs shows that not all children are treated equally or are being set up to succeed in school. Participants will learn more about how preschool expulsions and suspensions are understood within a social justice and civil rights framework. How we can avoid further excluding young children from early educational opportunities will also be explored.</p> <p>Speaker: <i>Dr. Walter Gilliam</i> Facilitator: <i>Nancy Surbrook-Goins</i></p>
<p>WEBINAR SERIES SCHEDULE</p>	<p>4:30pm - 4:35pm: Welcome and Updates 4:35pm - 5:25pm: Presentation 5:25pm - 5:30pm: Closing Remarks and Commentary</p>