Save the Dates

RACE MATTERS: Putting Race On the Table
A Free Speaker Series for Teachers, Principals, Students, Parents, Board Members & Community to Engage in Thoughtful Dialogue About Race and Equity in Service of Improving Teaching & Learning

Race & Equity Strand
Checking My Systems for Equity
Enid Lee - Director of Enid Lee Consultants Inc.

Enid Lee began her career as a classroom teacher 35 years ago. Today she is an accomplished “front line teacher,” teacher writer, consultant, facilitator and speaker. She has taught in the Caribbean, Canada and the USA and has been involved in the professional development of teachers for two decades.

She consults internationally on anti-racist, inclusionary and equitable education. Through her consulting firm, Enid assists urban schools districts and individual schools to continuously restructure themselves for equitable outcomes for all students. She has pioneered the equity-centered initiative, Putting Race on the Table, which is designed to help teachers and administrators develop the skills, knowledge and will to create and maintain equity-centered classrooms.

She facilitates an international network of schools enabling educators to share strategies for addressing questions of language, race, culture and class in education and for ensuring that teaching and learning are characterized by academic rigor and readiness for social justice action. Enid Lee is the author of over 30 publications including Beyond Heroes and Holidays: A Practical Guide to K-12 Anti-Racist, Multicultural Education and Staff Development. Her current area of research is professional development and anti-racist school leadership. www.EnidLee.com

Where: Tilden Auditorium - LCI Department – 3752 Enos Street – Oakland, CA 94619 (inside gate)
When: Thursday, November 7, 2013 from 4 - 6 pm

Race & Equity Strand
Cracking the Codes & A Courageous Conversations About Race with Film Maker Shakti Butler
A Special Screening of: Cracking the Codes: The System of Racial Inequity

THE FILM: From Shakti Butler, the director of The Way Home: Women Talk About Race in America and Mirrors of Privilege: Making Whiteness Visible, comes a new film that asks America to talk about the causes and consequences of systemic inequity. Cracking the Codes: The System of Racial Inequity features moving stories from racial justice leaders including Amer Ahmed, Michael Benitez, Barbie-Danielle DeCarlo, Joy DeGruy, Ericka Huggins, Humaira Jackson, Yuko Kodama, Peggy McIntosh, Rinku Sen, Tilman Smith and Tim Wise.

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When: Tuesday, November 12, 2013 from 4 - 7 pm

Visit the website for more information, including THE RACIAL EQUITY LEARNING MODULES: This online racial justice curriculum accompanies the film. It bridges the gap between inspiration and democratic action that supports racial equity. www.crackingthecodes.org

Race & Equity, Culture/Climate & SEL, and Alternatives to Punitive Responses to Behavior Strand
Race, Restorative Justice in OUSD Schools: Students & Circle Keeper Voices

This interactive presentation will feature a video presentation, voices of student and adult Restorative Justice Circle Keepers working in Oakland schools, and a mini-experience of the Circle process. The video will feature a real life Circle. Panelists will share stories about their experiences of the challenges and successes of using Circles at their school sites to reduce disproportionality in discipline as well as to create a culture of caring, connectivity, and peace. A part of the two-hour session will be held in Circle to offer participants an experiential sense of the process.

Speakers: Fania Davis, Executive Director, Restorative Justice for Oakland Youth (RJOY), Eric Butler, RJOY School Facilitator, Ralph Bunche High School, & OUSD Students www.rjoyoakland.org

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When: Thursday, December 5, 2013 from 4 - 6 pm
Race & Equity, Culture/Climate & SEL Strand
Identity Safe Classrooms: Places to Belong & Learn

Speakers: Dorothy Steele, Executive Director, Stanford University, Center for Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity (Retired), Becki Cohn-Vargas, Director, Not In Our School

www.identitysafeclassrooms.org

Where: Tilden Auditorium - LCI Department – 3752 Enos Street – Oakland, CA 94619 (enter gate)
When: Tuesday, January 14, 2014 from 4 - 6 pm

Race & Equity Strand

Backward Mapping to the Headline: “Oakland’s African American student outstanding achievement in mathematics”? What would it take to build schools and communities that make the headline real?

Speaker: Ruth Cossey, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Co-Director of the Mid-Career Mathematics and Science Teachers Credential Program, Mills College, School of Education
http://www.mills.edu/academics/faculty/educ/rcossey/rcossey.php

Where: Tilden Auditorium - LCI Department – 3752 Enos Street – Oakland, CA 94619 (enter gate)
When: February or March 2014

Additional Dates TBD: Chris Chatmon, Kim Shipp, John L. Burris, and others

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