

Addressing the Impact of Anti-Blackness on Social-Emotional and Academic Development

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Educators across the nation are wrestling with the clear and present danger of inequities in our educational system. Join us to learn more about how discipline, white supremacy, and anti-blackness manifest in K-12 classrooms and conspire to limit student success. Educators will leave this session with actionable next steps for creating a safe, productive, and inclusive space for students to be the best versions of themselves.

Presenter:



Christian Paige
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Christian Paige is an equity consultant that works with schools, non-profits, and for-profit institutions to create systemic change. Paige has spent his entire career creating opportunities for historically marginalized populations and encouraging institutions to hold equity and anti-racism as core values and organizational imperatives. Paige is a certificated Courageous Conversation about Race (CCAR) affiliate, a non-profit founder, a foundational member of affinity-based programs for students and former Beyond Diversity facilitator. Christian has worked with national organizations, school districts, local networks, unions, and individual organizations. At each level, Paige is intentional about eliminating interpersonal, institutional and systemic racism by focusing on more than just training. Paige believes that training alone does not change culture, and strategy without an effective racial analysis is futile. In order to create sustainable change Paige believes that anti-racism must be embedded in the fabric of an institution's identity. He works to educate individuals, transform policy and practice, move equity from an aspiration to a reality. Paige is proud to be from his hometown of Tacoma, Washington. He lives by the words of the famous poet Maya Angelou. She says, "They will forget what you said, they will forget what you did, but they will never forget how you made them feel."

Presenter:



Megan Robinson

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Megan Robinson is a National Director at Curriculum Associates. In this role, she supports districts in selecting and implementing proven-to-work programs with high intentionality. Ms. Robinson designs professional development workshops on topics ranging from equity in education to math discourse and learning progressions; she can be found at state and national conferences speaking on these topics. Megan combines her 10 years as an educator in California rural, urban, independent and Title One schools.