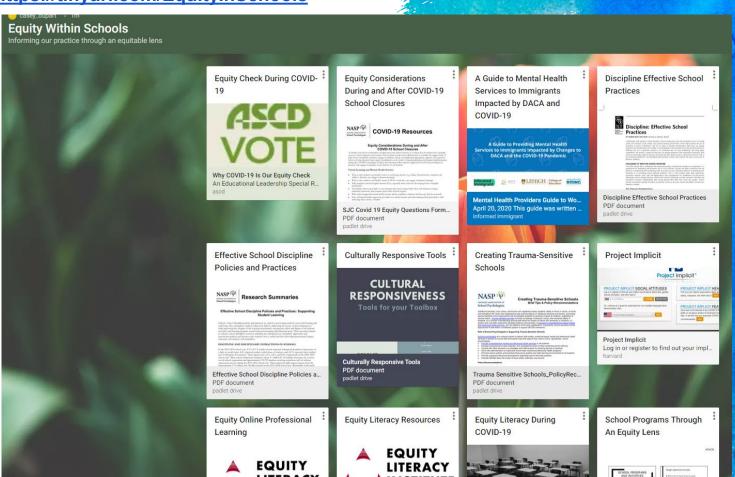


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- × To start off: Put your name and current role in the chat box



## Hello!

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### Norms Overview

- Engage constructively with <u>alternative</u> perspectives
- × Grapple with *multiple perspectives*
- × Build stamina for engaging with new & challenging ideas
- × <u>Tolerate</u> ambiguity



### Norms Overview

- × Recognize the power in positionality
- × Value collaboration over competition
- × Stay student focused
- × Acknowledge & utilize expertise of everyone



### Safe Space

- \* BUTa brave space as well
  - × We are here to get it right
    - × Not be right



## Today's Topics

- Privilege Defined
- Privilege in Schools
- Being a Culturally Responsive Educator
- Implicit Bias
- Intersectionality

- Microaggressions
- × Equity
- × Equality
- × Trauma
- × Historical & Systemic Racism



## Implicit Bias



# What Comes to Mind?

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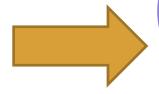


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# What Does Research Support? Sch Prison

School to Prison Pipeline

Minimizing impact of implicit bias can help in reducing



Bolstering Relationships Between Schools & Communities Reducing Discipline and Special Education Disproportionality

Increasing Teacher Expectations

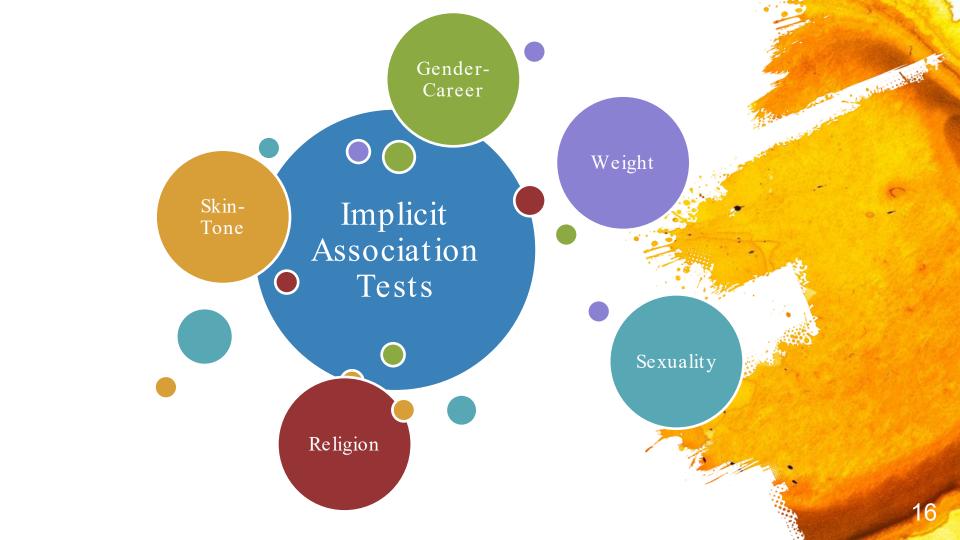
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Strengthening Teacher Student Relationships

## Project Implicit

- https://implicit.harvard.edu/implicit/takeatest.ht
   ml
- Implicit Association Tests
- 10 minutes







You're really pretty for a Black girl.

Where are you *really*from?

and the state of t

\* "Brief, everyday exchanges that send denigrating messages to individuals of socially marginalized groups"

 $\times$  Sue et al., 2007

They are just raised that way.



#### Subtle

• Verbal, non-verbal, and/or environmental

#### Unintentional

• Perpetrators typically often intend no offense and may be unaware they are causing harm

#### Ambiguous

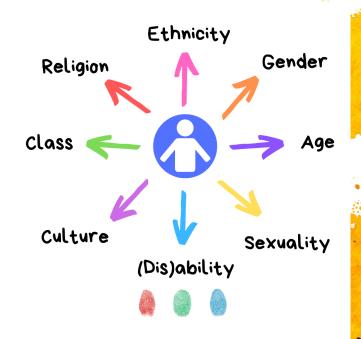
 Can usually be explained away by seemingly nonbiased and valid reasoning - Williams

## Intersectionality



### What is it?

- Describes merging of the intersection of multiple marginalized identities.
- Members of historically oppressed groups such as Black/African Americans, Latinx, LGBTQ+, women, people with disabilities.



Who Experiences the Impact of Intersectionality?



Why is this important?

### Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE)

Addressing multiple dimensions of identity & potential for discrimination, so ALL students have access to academic & mental health services.

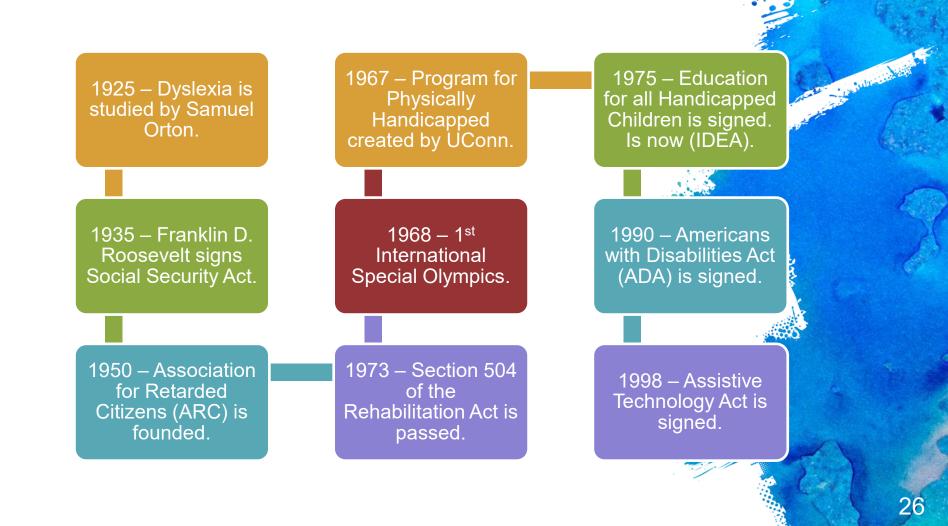
#### Foster Resiliency

Provide caring, supportive environments, develop academic self determination & feelings of competence as well as conflict-resolution skills.



# Individuals with Disabilities

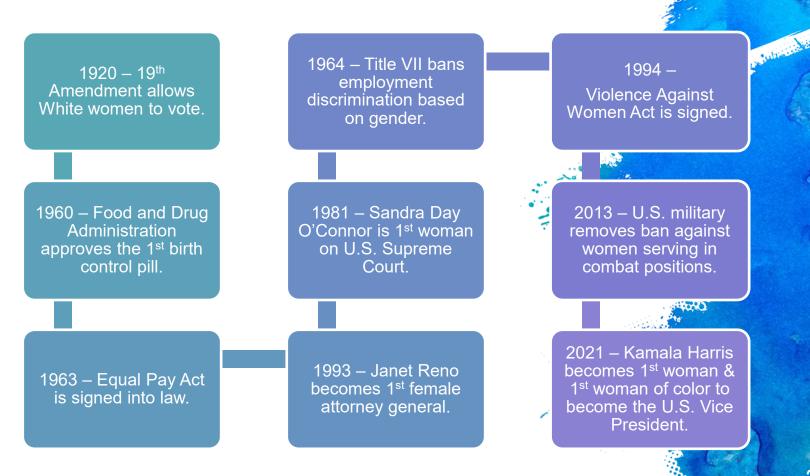




# Individuals that Identify as Women

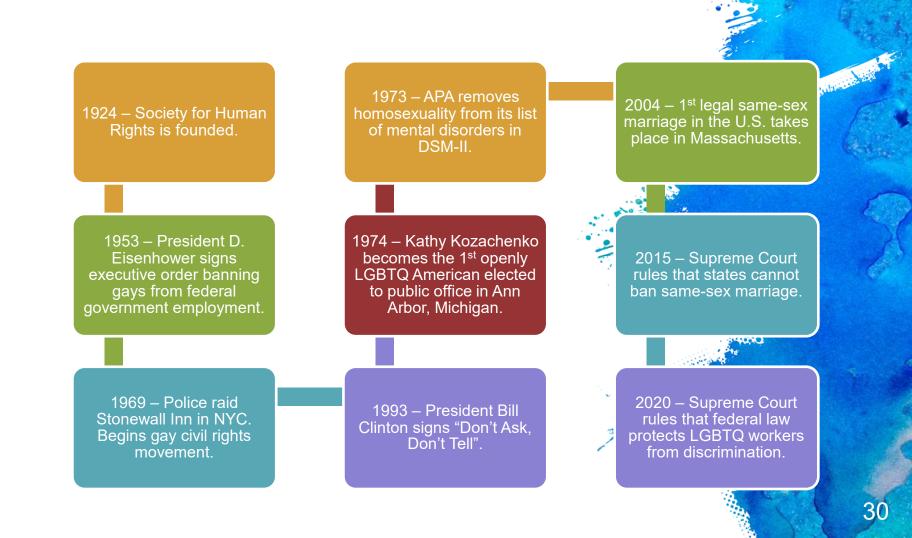


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Individuals that Identify as LGBTQ+





Those Who Identify as African/Black
Americans



1909 -The National 1619 - 20 Africans 1903 - Madam C.J. 2020 - Kamala Association for the Harris becomes brought to Walker becomes Advancement of 1st self-made Vice President of Jamestown, **Colored People is** Virginia. woman millionaire. the US. formed. 1896 - Plessy v. 1910 - 1920 Great Ferguson decision 1664 - Maryland **Migration Begins** allowing "equal but 2008 - Barack Passes 1st Law for Black people separate Obama becomes **Banning Interracial** looking for accommodations President of the US. employment in the Marriage. for the white and North. colored races." 1919 - Red Summer 1965 - President 1776 - Passage 1890 - Mississippi Race Riots sparked **Lyndon Johnson** condemning slave signs Voting Rights enacts a poll tax to by white trade removed from keep Black people resentment for Act outlawing **Declaration of** from voting. Blacks working in discriminatory Independence. industry. voting practices. 1964 - Civil Rights Act signed by 1789 - Slaves 1871 - Tennessee 1947 - Color Line in **President Lyndon** counted as 3/5 of a passes 1st "Jim Baseball is broken Johnson **Crow**"segregation person for means by Jackie prohibiting Robinson. of representation. laws. discrimination in public spaces. 1954 - Brown v 1857 - Dred Scott 1863 -**Board of Education Supreme Court** 1948 - Desegration **Emancipation** decision ruling that decision of the Armed forces **Proclamation** separating children determines slaves by President Harry signed by Abraham in public schools are not citizens of S. Truman. Lincoln. on basis of race is the US.

unconstitutional.

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- × How does viewing these milestones across intersectional identities help us as educators?
- × Consider how recent some of these milestones took place.



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# Be Mindful of fragility

- The perception of our worldviews being challenged as challenge to our very identity as good, moral, people
- × At best, work to be *goodish*
- Growth mindset instead of fixed





When watching TV or a movie, how likely are you to watch shows whose characters **reflect your** ethnicity, race, gender, ability level, religion, gender identity, and/or sexual orientation?



When using social media, how*diverse* is your feed?

How *diverse* are your friends and followers?

How *diverse*are those that follow you?



## Privilege



### So what is it?

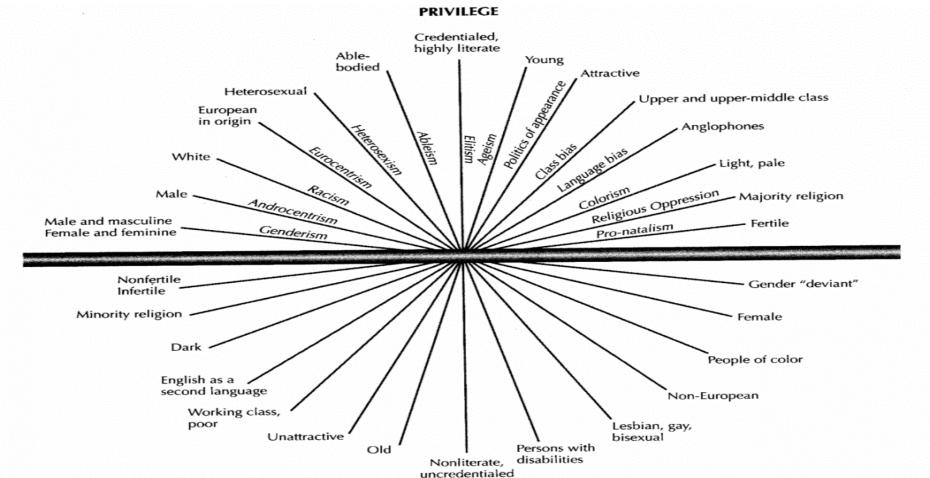
- Valued but restricted to certain groups
- × Advantages someone receives by identifying or being born into a certain group
- × Ex. Being born into a wealthy family provides privileges that others do not have such as accessing education, mental health, & medical services
- × Ex. Being able to walk into a store without suspicion



## The Kyriarchy is Involved

Xyriarchy is a term for describing a system of oppression, domination, and submission based on relative privilege in relation to sexism, racism, homophobia, classism, colonialism, militarism, elitism, nationalism, colorism, etc.





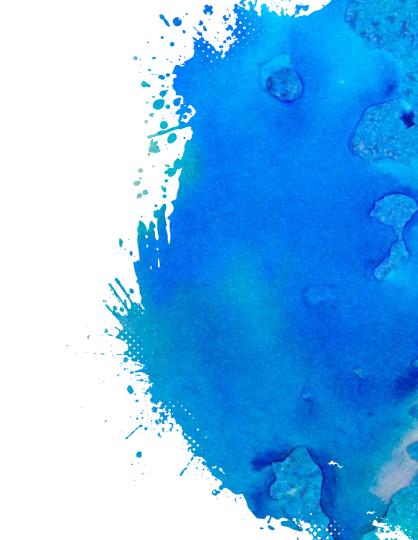
#### OPPRESSION/RESISTANCE

# Societal Power Structures: Coloniality

- The conditions *after* colonization
- Eurocentric economic and knowledge production systems
- Systems of knowledge are transactional, hierarchical, & owned

# TheInfluence Historical & Systemic Racism

## Historical Racism



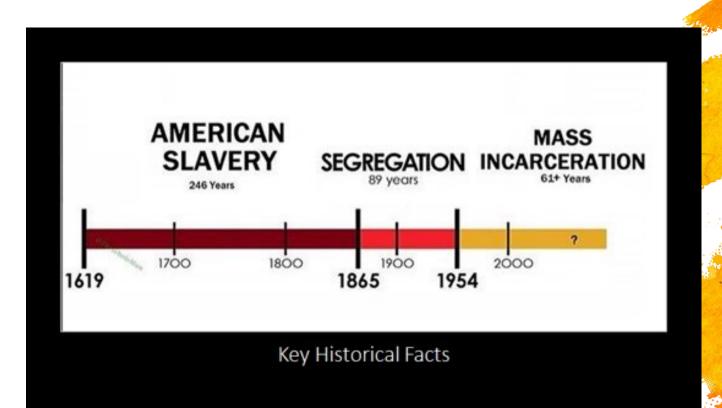
- History of the U.S. is typically told from the perspective of the dominant culture (colonizer's perspective)
- Does not always include racismwithin policies & actions of the U.S. government
- Does not acknowledge the **impact** of these policies and laws today specifically in how communities of color fare in basic areas of education, housing, healthcare, etc.



Historical Racism & Policies

- Genocide of Native Americans/Indigenous
   People & the continued breaking ofnumerous treaties
- Internment of Americans of Japanese descent during World War II (not German Americans)
- Constitutional encoding of enslavement of African Americans & others until the passage of 13th Amendment
- Post 13th Amendment imposition of Jim Crow law & Sundown laws & racial profiling of Black/African Americans, Latino/Latinx & other people of color to present day





## Systemic Racism



- Systemic racism refers to the systems in place that perpetuate racial injustice.
- Racism is a system, not the disposition of an





Systemic Racism

It is historically specific, meaning the systems maintaining racial injustice change over time. While racial orders (the beliefs and institutions that arrange relationships between races) often share attributes across countries and cultures, the systems that uphold them adapt to changing conditions.

For example, the practice of slavery took on a different form during the Jim Crow era (laws to enforce segregation), which evolved into inequitable housing and economic policies (Redlining districts), voter suppression efforts, and injustice for Black Americans in the current criminal justice system.

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### Systemic Racism

- It is a distinctly structural phenomenon, meaning the practices and behaviors that perpetuate racism within a system are embeddednto the system itself
- × This also means that regardless of *intention*, most people participate in some way with the systems that are in place.



### Overt White Supremacy (Socially Unacceptable)

Lynching Hate Crimes

Blackface The N-word Swastikas Neo-Nazis Burning Crosses Racist Jokes Racial Slurs KKK

Calling the Police on Black People White Silence Colorblindness
White Parents Self-Segregating Neighborhoods & Schools
Eurocentric Curriculum White Savior Complex Spiritual Bypassing
Education Funding from Property Taxes Discriminatory Lending

Covert White Supremacy (Socially Acceptable)

Mass Incarceration Respectability Politics Tone Policing Racist Mascots Not Believing Experiences of BIPOC Paternalism "Make America Great Again" Blaming the Victim Hiring Discrimination "You don't sound Black" "Don't Blame Me, I Never Owned Slaves" Bootstrap Theory School-to-Prison Pipeline Police Murdering BIPOC Virtuous Victim Narrative Higher Infant & Maternal Mortality Rate for BIPOC "But What About Me?" "All Lives Matter" BIPOC as Halloween Costumes Racial Profiling Denial of White Privilege Prioritizing White Voices as Experts Treating Kids of Color as Adults Inequitable Healthcare Assuming Good Intentions Are Enough Not Challenging Racist Jokes Cultural Appropriation Eurocentric Beauty Standards Anti-Immigration Policies Considering AAVE "Uneducated" Denial of Racism Tokenism English-Only Initiatives Self-Appointed White Ally Exceptionalism Fearing People of Color Police Brutality Fetishizing BIPOC Meritocracy Myth Celebration of Columbus Day Claiming Reverse-Racism Paternalism "You're So Articulate" "But We're All One Big Human Family" / "There's Only One Human Race" Housing Discrimination



#### Pyramid of White Supremacy

#### Genocide/

Mass Murder

Violence Unjust Police Shootings

Lynching Hate Crimes

#### Calls for Violence Police Brutality

Neo-Nazis KKK The N-Word

**Burning Crosses** Confederate Flags

#### Discrimination Mass Incarceration Swastikas

Racial Profiling School-to-prison Pipeline

> Hiring Discrimination Stop and Frisk Redlining

Fearing People of Color Anti-Immigration Policies Racial Slurs

Funding Schools Locally Predatory Lending Veiled Racism

Victim Blaming Racist Jokes Paternalism English-only Initiatives Euro-Centric Curriculum

Racist Mascots Bootstrap Theory

Tokenism Cultural Appropriation Tone Policing Claiming Reverse Racism

Minimization "We all belong to the human race" Denial of White Privilege Colorblindness

White Savior Complex "Post-Racial Society" "Why can't we all just get along?"

"It doesn't matter who you vote for"

White Ally Speaking over POC False Equivocation "It's just a joke!" "Get over slavery" "Not all white people..."

"But my Black friend said..." Not Believing Experiences of POC

Indifference Two Sides to Every Story Not Challenging Racist Jokes "Politics doesn't affect me"

> Avoiding Confrontation with Racist Family Members Remaining Apolitical

Adapted from Ellen Tuzzolo and Safehouse Progressive Alliance for Nonviolence's diagram

Prioritizing Intentions over Impact

In a pyramid, every brick depends on the ones below it for support. If the bricks at the bottom are removed, the whole structure comes tumbling down.



## Defining White Supremacy

- × Refers to attitudes, ideologies, and policies associated with the rise of blatant forms of white or European *dominance* ver "nonwhite" populations
- White supremacy means racial segregation and the restriction of meaningful citizenship rights to a privileged group characterized by its light pigmentation

White Privilege

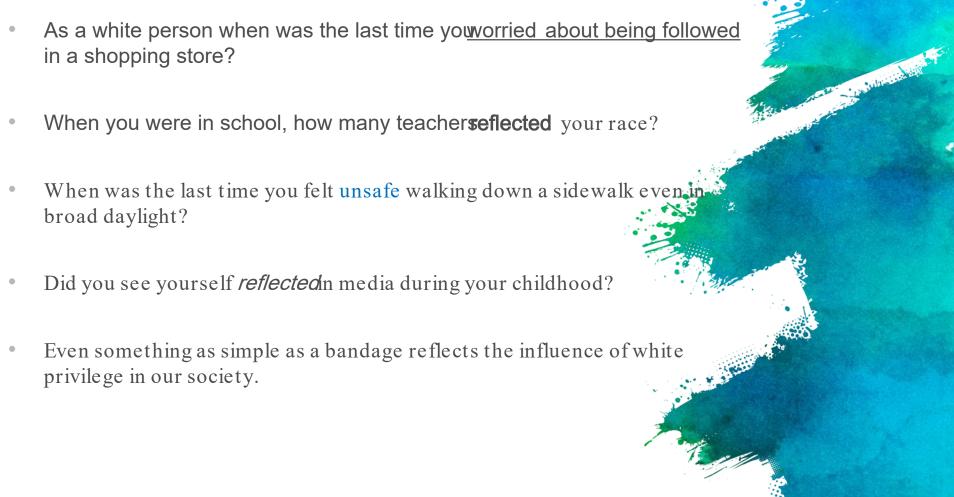
 White privilege is both unconsciously and consciously experienced and perpetuated

The term white privilege describes the reality that white people havegreater access to opportunities and resources than people of color in the same situation due to historical marginalization.

 White privilege should be viewed as a built-in advantage, separate from one's level of income or effort. White privilege does not discount the hardships that white people experience, it merely defines the undeniable systemic advantages that they have in our society

## White Privilege Considerations





### Mindset Shifts



- Not prioritizing the comfort and interests of people with privilege over progress toward equity
- × Be careful about which behaviors are reinforced and supported
- × "Toxic Positivity"
  - × Focusing on the reality you would like **over** what reality is



## Privillege Oppresses Certain Groups

Benefits the holder of the privilege, who may receive deference, special knowledge, or higher comfort level to guide societal interaction. Privilege is not visible to its holder

It is a part of the world, a way of life; simply the way they experience life.



For those who routinely benefit from privilege, the... challenge is to not quickly deny its existence



## Privilege in Schools

- When making quick decisions, the data suggests an increase in the likelihood of disproportionate disciplinary practices
- Perpetuates the stigma of <u>perceive</u> driminal behavior for Black/African American & Latino/Latinx students





How diverse is your school culture?



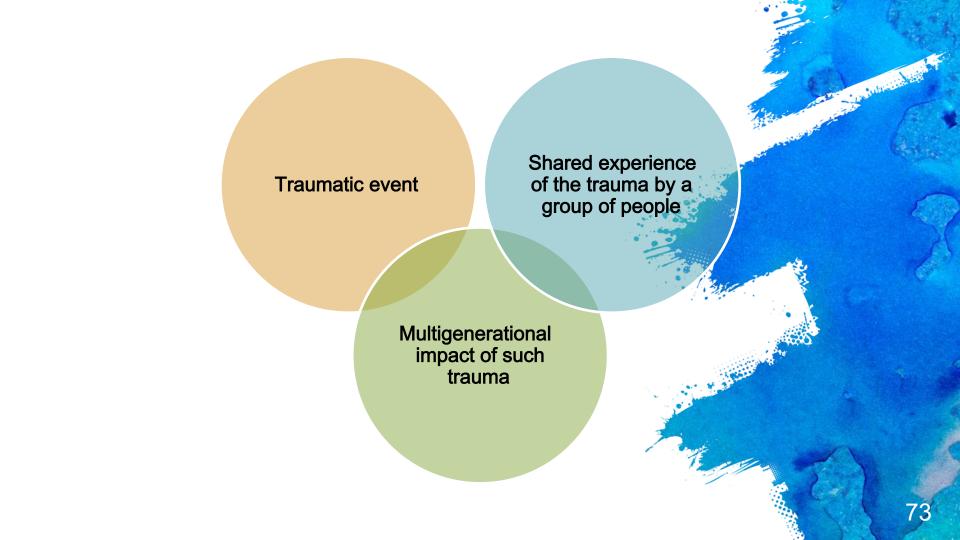
How do youfeel when you are in a community that is different than your neighborhood?



## Historical Trauma







#### **Historical Trauma**

- Experienced by specific, cultural, racial, or ethnic group
- Related to <u>major</u>
   <u>events</u> that are forced upon oppressed groups of people

Ex: slavery, war, extreme poverty, genocide, dislocation, forced migration, violent colonization

## Historical Trauma's Significance

Provides a context for understanding some of the stress responses at children from historically oppressed communities is to cope with difficult situations

Research has shown that many of the poor mental and physical health outcomes experienced by past generations carries forward in descendent generations



#### Historical Trauma

Black/African Americans



- \* Black/African Americans have experienced numerous *race-related traumatic events* cluding the trans-Atlantic slave trade, family separation, forced assimilation, denial of rights and resource access, and mass incarceration.
- × Being told their experience is **not real**, is **not different**, is **not unique**.



- \* Researchers have described this as the "collective spiritual, psychological, emotional, and cognitive distress perpetuated intergenerationally deriving from multiple denigrating experiences originating with slavery and continuing with pattern forms of racism and discrimination to the present day".
- × Hampton, Gullota, & Crowel, 2010

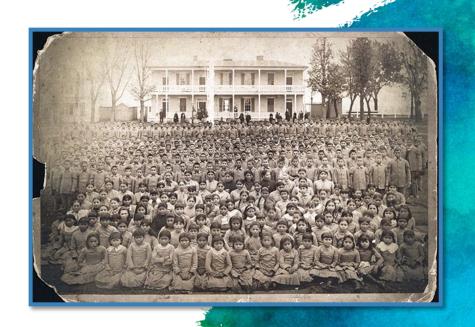


#### Historical Trauma

Native Americans/Indigenous People



- Native American/Indigenous people were sent to boarding schools, taught English, and forbidden to speak their native languages or practice their cultural traditions
- The goal of these boarding schools was to <u>suppress</u> their identities so they would become "civilized" and assimilate them into white, "American" culture in a closely controlled Christian, English-only environment



- Languages, traditions, culture, land and communities were lost
- Suicide rate for youth ages 15 to 25 is the highest of any racial/ethnic group in US
  - 4 times higher
     than national
     average & have
     increased since
     2003

Disproportionate health issues such as alcoholism, diabetes. tuberculosis, & intimate partner violence

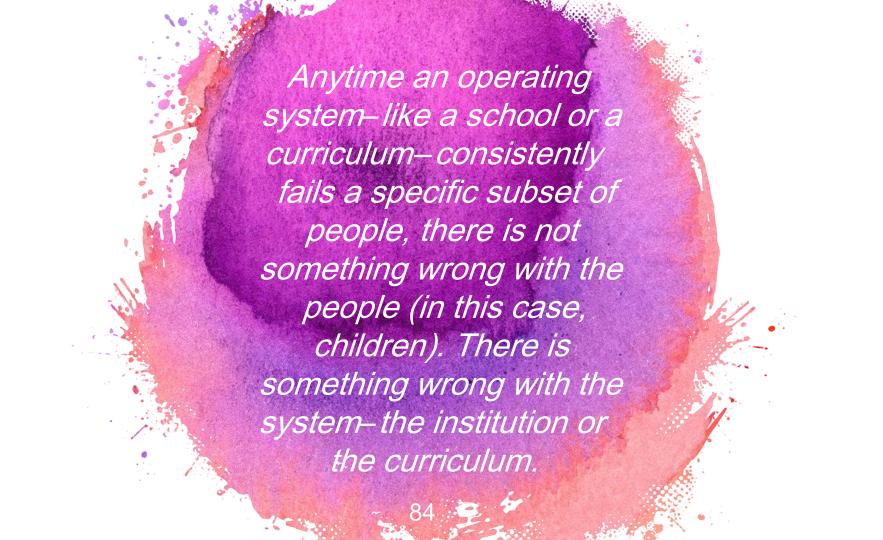
What to consider in relation to trauma



Recognize that some may be **triggered** when learning about or studying historical events related to racism. **Honor** those emotional responses.

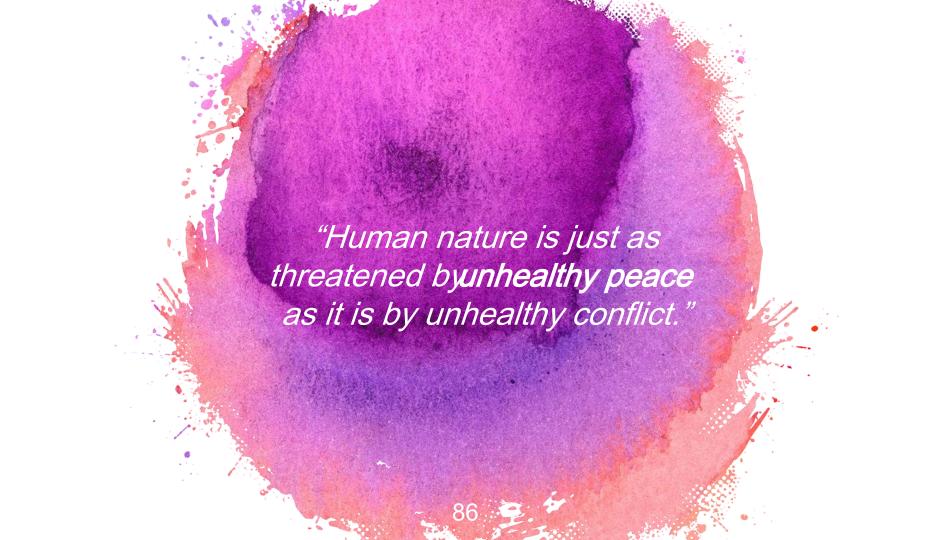
Offer empathy, understanding, and validation to those who express distrust and distress. Avoid telling them that past experiences should not affect their current beliefs.

**Speak out** if you recognize inequitable policies or practices and help facilitate change by offering solutions



# Be Mindful of Unhealthy Peace





What does unhealthy peace involve?

- × Maintaining Peace to avoid conflict
- × Doesn't seek agreement just to keep the peace
- Remember: Discussions can be helpfuif it means a problem is being solved



How do you respond when others make **negative statements** towards individuals of a *different*ethnicity, race, gender, ability level, religion, sexual orientation, and/or gender identity than yourself?



How often do you go to social settingswhere most individuals are of a different ethnicity, race, gender, ability level, religion, sexual orientation, and/or gender identity than yourself?



#### Considerations



#### New Perspectives

- × Expect friction
- × New ideas
- × Different perspectives
- Navigating feelings of discomfort & changes in community
- Continuous unlearning & reeducation



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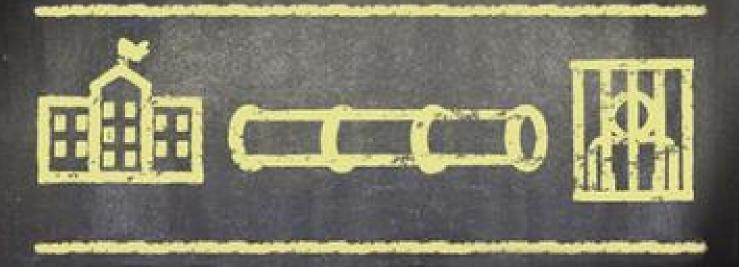
How can you make your school **more inclusive** and sensitive?



### How can you make your school more inclusive and sensitive?

## Disproportionality in Discipline

### SCHOOL-TO-PRISON PIPELINE



## School to Prison Pipeline

× School policies & practices that lead students out of regular school environment into more restrictive settings (juvenile justice system & alternative education programs)



#### What Does Research Indicate?

Significant
 disproportionality
 in the use of out-of school suspension
 specifically in
 children of color &
 children with
 disabilities.

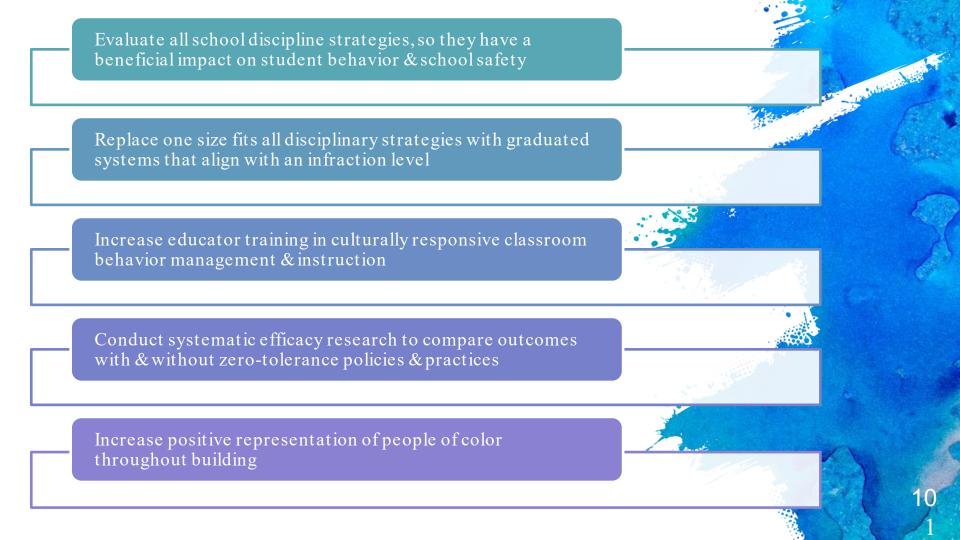
Weir (2016), Black students are 3.8 times more likely to be suspended than white students & three times more likely to be referred to gifted & talented programs with black teachers.

### What Does Research

#### Indicate?

- Students with at least one out-of-school suspension are up to 10 times more likely to drop out.
- (Gonzales, Richards & Seeley, 2002, Wraight, 2002)
- Discipline is utilized more for students of color despite engaging in <u>same behavior</u>
   white peers.
- The "Black Escalation Effect" (Okonofua & Eberhardt, 2015)







### Equality VSEquity

#### × Equality

 Associated with treating people the same or people having equal access to resources & opportunities

#### Equity

Ensuring that
 everyone
 receives what
 they need to be
 successfuleven if
 that varies across
 racial &
 socioeconomic
 lines



### Equality VSEquity

 Equality is not enough to combat hundreds of years of oppression, poverty & disproportionality "While the world in which we live distributes talent equally, it does not equally distribute opportunity"
Equity Education



# **EQUALITY** December of the second of the second of the second of

The assumption is that
everyone benefits
from the same supports.
This is equal treatment.



Everyone gets the supports they need, thus producing equity.



All 3 can see the game without supports or accommodations because the cause(s) of the inequity was addressed. The systemic barrier has been removed.

#### **Equity Path**

Identify inequity

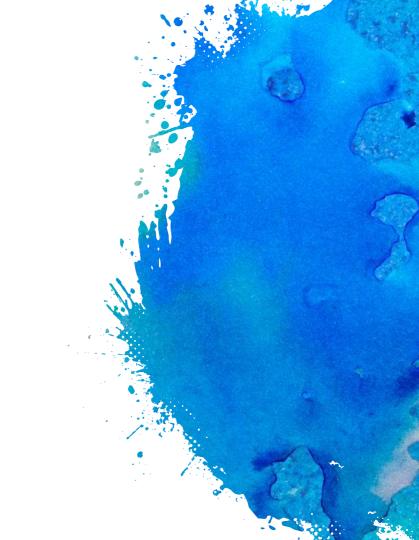


Eliminate inequity



Cultivate Equity

## Shifting Our Practice



#### Colorblindness

#### Color-Evasion

- Denial of racial differences by emphasizing sameness
- Denial of different treatment due to skin color

#### Power –Evasion

- Denial of racism by emphasizing equal opportunities
- Denial of distribution of power due to skin color



#### Color-Evasion

**Denial of Race** 

Strategy to Reduce Prejudice

Alternative: Multiculturalism

Power-Evasion

**Denial of Racism** 

Ideology to Justify Status Quo

Alternative: Color-Conscious

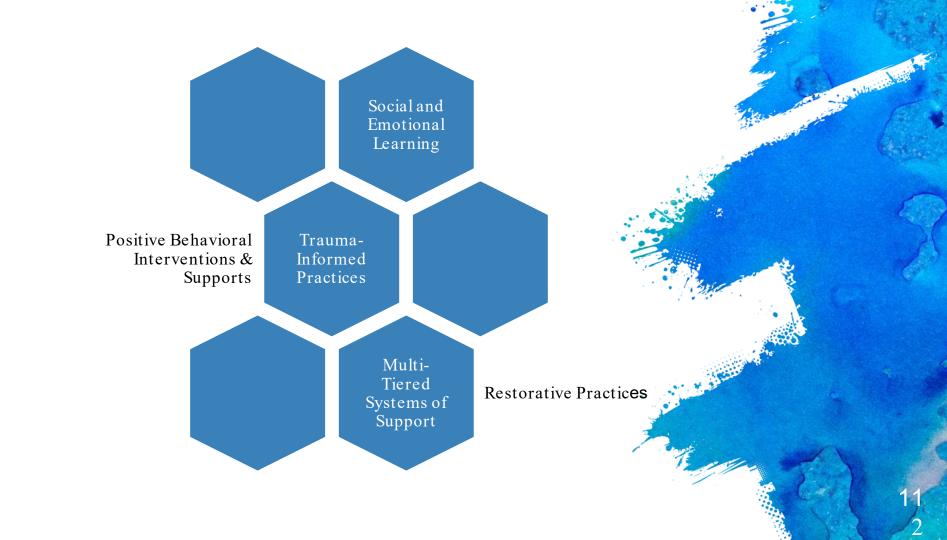
# Common Misconceptions

- Racial-colorblindness is a good thing
- Racism isn't as relevant as it was before the Civil Rights Movement
- Talking about race & racism makes things worse
- × Talking about race & racism is racist

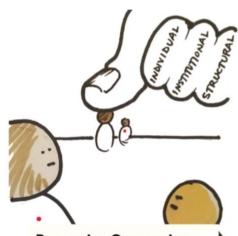


"What's wrong with you?"

"What happened to you and how can we help?"



### Applying An Equity Lens



#### **Recognize Oppression**

Our designs depend on how we frame a challenge. So we need a clear "window" to see how oppression may be at play in our context.

#### **EQUITY LENS**

We are all impacted by the pandemic, but we are situated differently and have differential access to protection, care, and resources.

Structural inequities in our country mean that African American, Latino, and Native people are experiencing the greatest economic and physical harm.

@equityproject #CASELCARES #RebelLeader





In which ways can you apply an equity lens within your role?

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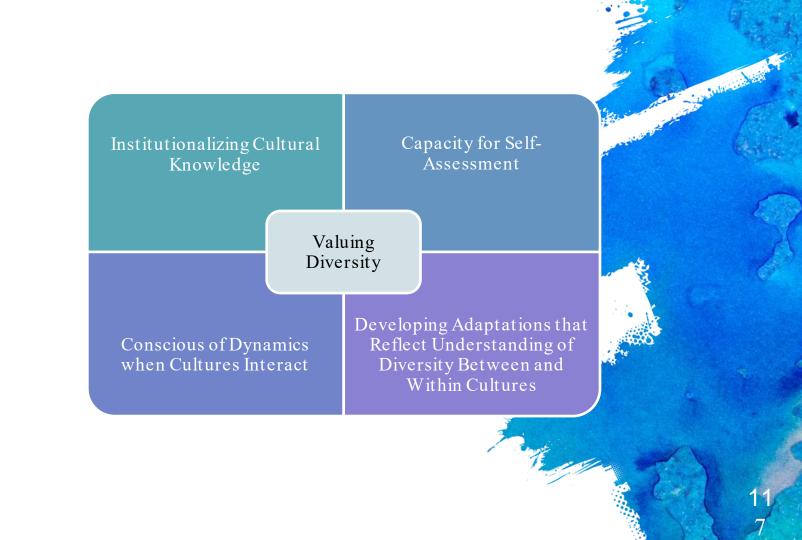
# In which ways can you apply an equity lens within your role?

"So if we are having this much trouble - the kids I bet are even worse off. haha."

"Seeing students as individuals instead of a group "

" Hi Casey! "

# How Does Cultural : Responsiveness Help?



# Cultural Responsiveness Impact on Student Outcomes

Student disengagement, alienation & truancy can occur when diversity issues are not addressed.





Acknowledges **legitimacy** of cultural heritages of different ethnic groups as legacies that affect students' dispositions, attitudes, & approaches to learning

Builds bridges of meaningfulness between home & school experiences

Uses a wide **variety** of instructional strategies that are connected to different learning styles

Teaches students to know & praise their own & each other's cultural heritage

**Incorporates** multicultural information, resources, & materials in all subjects & skills

# Changing the Way I do School





#### EXPERIENCES THAT SUPPORT EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT AND LEARNING



#### Affirming Cultural Identity

"I've learned new things about my culture and/or community."



#### Meaningful Work

"I learned skills that will help me succeed later in life."



#### **Classroom Belonging**

"I had the opportunity to get to know my classmates better."



#### **Student Voice**

"I felt like an idea I shared was taken seriously by my teacher."



#### Feedback for Growth

"I got specific suggestions about how to improve my skills."



#### **Teacher Caring**

"I feel like my teacher is glad that I am in their class."

#### TOWARD EQUITABLE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS

Designing equitable learning environments require conscious SHIFTS in our values and our

#### approach. Shift FROM Shift TO

Generic vision statements and goals that do not reflect unique and diverse school communities and do not name and explicit commitment to addressing inequitable experiences and outcomes that exist.



Center Equity and Justice: A shared and articulated vision for and commitment to equity, diversity, and belonging.

Identification of universal goals and targeted strategies based on how communities are situated relative to opportunity.

Engaging, designing, and decisionmaking that does not acknowledge the historical and social-political context of school. Understanding and talking about racialized experiences and inequitable outcomes as isolated and decontextualized events.



Collective Well-Being: Lead from an awareness of the history and harms of racism and structural inequity and from a belief that our fates are linked.

Advantaging and accepting as the norm white dominant culture, behaviors, and values. Fear or distrust in the capacity of teachers, families, and communities of color to



Decenter Whiteness: Respect, value, and see as assets individuals' and communities' multiple ways of knowing, doing, and being.

generate critique, analysis, and solutions to current inequities.

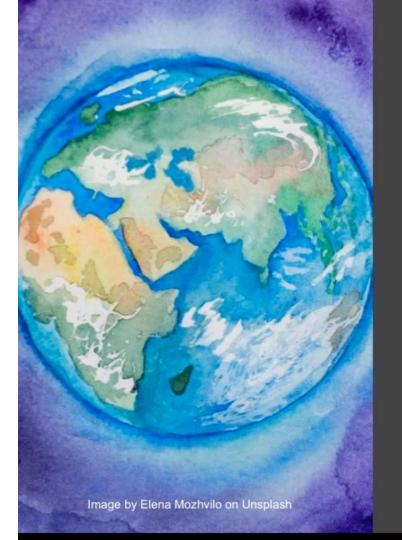


Transform Power: Distribute leadership, center the voices and experiences of students, families, and others closest to the work, and consciously redistribute power across role groups and institutions.

Creating and implementing plans, policies, and strategies FOR school communities.



Co-Design: Invite, engage, and design solutions and co-produce knowledge in partnership with students, teachers, families, and communities.



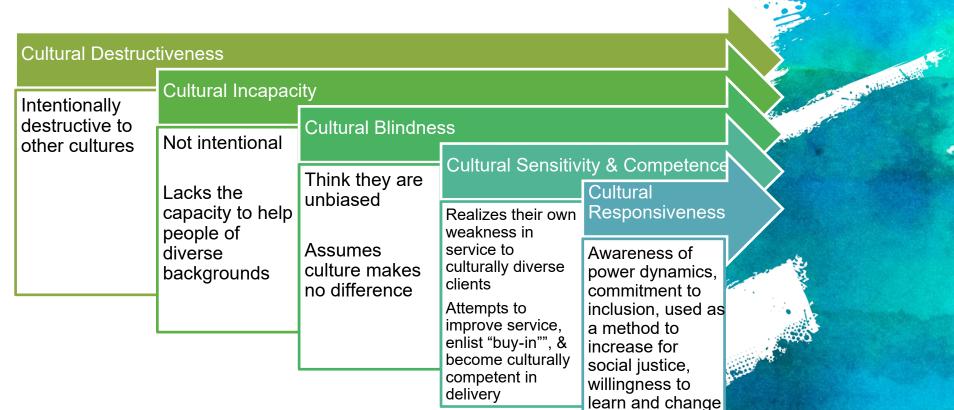
#### **Equity Leadership**

We are living in challenging times and are part of complex systems that our past experiences and training may not have sufficiently prepared us to understand and respond to in our role as equity leaders.

## Remember

Cross, Bazron, Dennis & Isaacs (1989) that cultural responsiveness has a developmental progression





Practice disciplines (social work, health care, and education) are trying to understand how to respond to culture.

Adapted and merged from Cross et al, 1989, 12 Bassey, 2016 and Danso 2017

## Considerations

For Your Journey





- × Admit to where you are on your journey
- × Requires constant study
- Apologize and do better when you cause harm
- Join learning communities that are committed to this work
- Seek out training that centers antiracist, antioppression, & social justice work

Advocate in your roleown your part of the collective

- Ask for help when you need it
- × Find a mentor learn from equitable practitioners
- × Have those hard conversations



"There comes a time when silence is betrayal. Our lives begin to end the day we become **silent** about things that matter. In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends."

