

Racial Equity Series Overview



SESSION	TITLE	GUIDING QUESTIONS	OBJECTIVES	AGENDA
1	Defining Racial Equity	What is racial equity? Why is it important to have a shared and common understanding of key terms related to racial equity? What makes this work difficult or uncomfortable? Why is it important to address racial equity in our schools?	 Engage in personal reflection and demonstrate an openness to learn & grow; Develop shared meaning of key terms related to racial equity; Understand the impact of race/racism on our practice as educators; and Increase levels of racial consciousness. 	 Introduction: Session Outcomes, Purpose/Non- Purpose, Norms, Considerations, & Warm-up The R-Word Defining Equity & Other Key Terms Moving Forward Why Address Racial Equity in Schools?
2	Increasing Our Racial Consciousness	Why race? What is our data telling us? How racially conscious are we? What makes this work difficult or uncomfortable? Why is it important to address racial equity in our schools?	 Engage in personal reflection and demonstrate an openness to learn & grow; Understand the impact of race/racism on our practice as educators; and Increase levels of racial consciousness. 	 Introduction: Session Outcomes; Review of: Purpose/Non-Purpose, Norms and Session Warm-up Why Race? How Does Racism Exist in Our Society & in Our Schools? Increasing Racial Consciousness Moving Forward Finding A Balance
3	Engaging in Difficult Conversations	How can difficult conversations lead to growth and improvement? What tools can we use to sustain conversations and understand differing perspectives? How can we better understand defensiveness and denial (ours and others)?	 Engage in personal reflection and demonstrate an openness to learn & grow; Learn & practice tools for engaging in difficult conversations; Understand the impact of race/racism on our practice as educators; and Increase levels of racial consciousness. 	 Introduction: Session Outcomes, Purpose/Non- Purpose, Norms, Considerations, & Warm-up Difficult Conversations: The Challenge, The Zone, & Common Responses Tools to Support Difficult Conversations, Reflection, & Growth Applying the Tools

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4	The Impact of Microaggressions & Unconscious Bias	In what ways do microaggressions and unconscious biases impact our students of color? How can we increase our level of awareness or racial consciousness? How might microaggressions and unconscious biases affect racial identity and stereotype threat?	 Engage in personal reflection and demonstrate an openness to learn & grow; Develop a deeper understanding of the impact microaggressions and unconscious biases have on our students; and Increase levels of racial consciousness and awareness. 	 Introduction & Warm-Up: Session Outcomes, Purpose/Non-Purpose, Norms, & Considerations The Messages We Send: Unconscious Bias & Microaggressions Intention vs Impact Case Study Next Steps
5	Dimensions of Being White	Why is it important for us to understand what it means to be white? What are the privileges or advantages attached to race in the United States? How might a societal racial preference impact privilege & power? What does being white mean?	 Engage in personal reflection and demonstrate an openness to learn & grow; Develop a deeper understanding of the impact of white privilege on our society and institutions; and Increase levels of racial consciousness and awareness. 	 Introduction & Warm-Up: Session Outcomes, Purpose/Non-Purpose, Norms, & Considerations Understanding Whiteness & White Privilege White Privilege in Schools Becoming Anti-Racists Next Steps