

Dismantling Systemic Racism

2019 Conference on Race, Education & Success

Friday, April 26, 2019

Connecticut Convention Center, Hartford, CT

Call for Breakout Presenters

The 4th annual conference on Dismantling Systemic Racism, sponsored by the State Education Resource Center (SERC) in collaboration with the SERC Foundation, focuses on ways to support, promote, and develop racial equity in education. The full-day conference supports educators, families, and community leaders who seek to confront racist structures and practices to better serve Connecticut's students and their families, through advocacy and the development, implementation, and sustainability of innovative, culturally relevant programming.

Systemic racism impedes our students' outcomes and limits opportunities for success in academics, social development, health, and family engagement. This **Call for Presenters** is intended to solicit dynamic, thought-provoking presentations that will address possible ways to dismantle systemic racism and create positive change for our students. Proposals are welcome from individuals and groups from any location.

The conference goal is for participation of up to 500 people, with about 50 participants per breakout. Participants may include general and special educators, administrators, students, family members, community members, business leaders, and all who play a role in a child's life.

Proposals should relate to the conference theme of Race, Education and Success. Special consideration will be given to proposals that highlight student voices or have students as co-presenters. Sessions may be directed at a general audience or a specific population (e.g., elementary educators, high school educators, students, families). Each breakout session will be 90 minutes long.

For proposal consideration, please include the following:

Cover Sheet:

- Title of Presentation
- Name(s) of presenter(s), organization, complete mailing address, phone number and email address

Session Description:

- Maximum 500-word description of presentation content, including format and how the topic relates to the conference theme
- Intended audience (families, administrators, teachers, others).

Audiovisual Equipment Needed: Please specify.

Please mail proposal to SERC, ATTN: Heather Dawes, 100 Roscommon Drive, Suite 110, Middletown, CT 06457 or email to dawes@ctserc.org. Proposal applications must be received by January 18, 2019. All proposals submitted by the due date will be reviewed. The identified contact person will be notified about the acceptance of the proposal by February 4, 2019. If a proposal is accepted, **all** members of a presenting team will be required to complete an individual conference registration form. Registration fees will be waived for one (1) presenter per session (additional presenters will be charged \$95).

For additional information regarding the conference or the proposal process, contact Heather Dawes, Project Specialist, at SERC, (860) 632-1485, ext. 263, or dawes@ctserc.org.

Please share this Call for Proposals with other potential workshop presenters.