The Power of Our People

Saturday, October 13 - Tuesday, October 16, 2018
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Dear Friends,

No matter the generation in which you were born, “The Power of Our People” is a familiar refrain of social justice and the soundtrack of our lives. Amid the political persistence and protest of the Civil Rights Movement, James Brown penned a John Lennon song with a similar chorus. Decades later, the rap group Public Enemy released “Fight the Power” with a powerful message of social consciousness. Today, as we see thousands take to the streets across America to march and fight for justice—be it immigration rights, gender equity, or gun legislation reform—we are reminded that it is the people who truly hold the power.

It was the blood, sweat, and tears of our leaders, our families, and our communities—our people—that launched and sustained the Civil Rights Movement—a movement, which not only created unprecedented prosperity and opportunities for Black children and families, but for every marginalized group in this country. As rollbacks and cutbacks meet us at virtually every turn, now—more than ever—we must do the work to uphold the great legacy of our forerunners and chart a new course.

It is the kind of work and innovation that gave birth to the National Black Child Development Institute, and to leaders and educators who understood that inequities in education defer the dreams of our children. With the historical knowledge to understand our present circumstances and the foresight to see beyond them, we fully commit ourselves to our mission of improving and advancing the quality of life for Black children and families through education and advocacy. We do so with the resolve of those who have come before us and were undaunted by the fight.

Frederick Douglass said more than two centuries ago, “Power concedes nothing without a demand. It never did and it never will.” As we come together for our 48th Annual Conference, we recognize that now is our ’never’ moment. We understand that together we hold the power to change the trajectory of our children, families, communities, and—ultimately—our nation.

During our four days together, we will celebrate our collective work, honor the legacy of our past, and plan with intentionality for the movement ahead. Thank you for continuing to fight with us, for wielding your power, and for joining us for this once-in-a-lifetime event!

Sincerely,

Tobeka G. Green
President and CEO
National Black Child Development Institute

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Dr. Sherri Killins Stewart
Director of Systems Alignment and Integration
The BUILD Initiative

Dr. Peggy Pizzo
Senior Scholar and Director, Early Learning Project
Stanford University, Graduate School of Education

Ms. CeCe Winans
Grammy Award-Winning and Bestselling Gospel Artist

Senator Cory Booker
United States Senator
New Jersey
(Invited)

Dr. Aisha Ray
Renowned Researcher and Professor Emeritus at the Erikson Institute
Senior Advisor to the National Black Child Development Institute’s President and CEO

Dr. Michael Eric Dyson
Professor of Sociology
Georgetown University

Dr. Joshua Sparrow
Director, Brazelton Touchpoints Center
President, Brazelton Touchpoints Foundation
Boston Children’s Hospital

Dr. Walter Gilliam
Professor, The Child Study Center and Psychology Department
Director, The Edward Zigler Center in Child Development and Social Policy
Yale University

Dr. Howard Stevenson
Director, Forward Promise
Constance Clayton Professor of Urban Education, Professor of Africana Studies
University of Pennsylvania

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### ABOUT NBCDI

For 48 years, the National Black Child Development Institute (NBCDI) has been committed to our mission to improve and advance the quality of life for Black children and families through education and advocacy. With our National Affiliate Network, we develop and deliver strengths-based, culturally relevant, evidence-based, and trauma-informed curricula and programs that focus on health and wellness, family engagement, and literacy. We also support increased access to effective education by providing professional development scholarships for early childhood educators. NBCDI, the National Affiliate Network, and our members advocate and inform education policies at the federal, state, and local levels to ensure standards, regulations, and resource allocations to support equitable systems for Black children and families.

### CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS (CEUs)

George Mason University will provide Continuing Education Units (CEUs) to NBCDI conference participants who apply. The fee is $30.00. Interested conference attendees will need to pick up a CEU form from the Conference Registration Desk and submit it to George Mason University, with payment, following the conference.
**Evelyn K. Moore Early Childhood Leadership Institute**
Saturday, October 13
12:30 PM – 3:00 PM

This year’s Evelyn K. Moore Early Childhood Leadership Institute will feature a keynote address by Dr. Jacqueline Jones, President of the Foundation for Child Development. The Institute will also showcase a distinguished panel of experts, including Founder and President Emeritus of the National Black Child Development Institute, Ms. Evelyn K. Moore.

“Delivering on the Promise to End Suspensions and Expulsions in Early Childhood Education”
**Town Hall**
Monday, October 15
10:00 AM – 12:30 PM

NBCDI brings our national “Delivering on the Promise” campaign to the main stage at our 48th Annual Conference. Please join your fellow conferees for a timely discussion with a diverse panel of nationally renowned researchers, practitioners, and experts. This town hall will leave you better equipped with innovative research and strategies to transform the preschool to prison pipeline into the preschool to college movement. This is an event you will not want to miss!

**Mobile Workshop**
The Responsible Transformation of the Early Childhood Education (ECE) Workforce: An Experiential Experience at the University of North Texas – Dallas Child Development and Family Studies Department

***Free Event (Registration Required)***
Monday, October 15
1:30 PM – 4:00 PM
University of North Texas – Dallas
*(Roundtrip transportation will be provided.)*

Recognizing the importance of equitable education in strengthening our families and communities, NBCDI is committed to supporting the preparation and development of Black teachers. In the spirit of uplifting educators, NBCDI invites you to join us for a special event focused on our national “Responsible Transformation of the Early Childhood Education (ECE) Workforce” campaign.

Join colleagues from across the country for an exclusive tour of the University of North Texas - Dallas state-of-the-art classroom simulation for early childhood educators. While onsite, conferees will experience firsthand early learning training and coaching at one of Dallas’ leading universities. During the tour, we will also engage in a timely discussion on the transition many cities and states are making to increase education requirements for early childhood educators.

**WHAT’S HAPPENING IN DALLAS?**

**LOCAL EVENTS: October 13-16, 2018**

**October 13: Lights Festival**
Enjoy a magical evening on Houston Street under the lights in the sky. Each ticket includes a packet containing a lantern, marker, and keychain flashlight to be picked the night of the event.

**October 13: Vintage Market Days**
Discover fabulous finds at this upscale vintage-inspired indoor/outdoor market featuring original art, antiques, clothing, jewelry, handmade items, home décor, and more.

**October 13-16: “Slavery at Jefferson’s Monticello: Paradox of Liberty”**
Revisit history with this widely acclaimed exhibit at the African-American Museum, which brings to life the story of slavery at Monticello through more than 300 objects, works of art, documents, and artifacts.

**October 13-16: 2018 Texas State Fair**
They say everything is bigger in Texas! Let the state take you by storm at this 24-day, four-weekend extravaganza at Fair Park featuring everything from butter sculptures and delicious fried food to free concerts.
“Delivering on the Promise” Special Convening
Sponsored by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation
Monday, October 15
12:45 PM – 5:45 PM
***Invitation Only

NBCDI’s 48th Annual Conference will feature an in-person convening of the “Delivering on the Promise” Community of Practice—a virtual learning community of researchers, program administrators, practitioners, and advocates who are working together to develop innovative solutions to address the suspension and expulsion crisis in early childhood education. Funded by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, NBCDI’s “Delivering on the Promise” initiative is a national campaign to ensure young Black children have access to supportive and affirming early childhood education programs. As we continue our commitment to high-quality early learning for Black children, members of the Community of Practice will engage with their peers and some of the most prominent experts in the field to advance their advocacy initiatives focused on eliminating suspensions and expulsions in early childhood education.

Cowboy Boots and Cocktails:
A Party with a Purpose
Monday, October 15
7:00 PM – 10:00 PM
***Ticketed Event: $85

They say everything is BIGGER in Texas! Put on your favorite cowboy boots and hat, and get into the Texas flow. This event will include a dinner buffet with savory Southern fare, multiple bars, great music, and a special 2020 Census dinner presentation featuring United States Census Bureau and the 2020 Census Black Roundtable. Please join us for our first ever party with a purpose.

Family Empowerment Program Facilitator Training
Friday, October 12 – Time TBD
***Registration Fee: $2,500

NBCDI’s Family Empowerment Program Facilitator Training will equip participants to implement our culturally relevant, culturally responsive, and trauma-informed strategies with parents and caregivers through a strengths-based lens that responds to the unique strengths and needs of Black children and their families.

Developed by the National Black Child Development Institute, the Family Empowerment Program builds the capacity of parents and caregivers as leaders and advocates of their families. Throughout this program, families are equipped with the knowledge, tools, and skills needed to foster their children’s learning and development while effectively advocating for them from birth. The program was designed to guide and coach parents and caregivers through a strengths-based lens that honors the rich cultural and linguistic strengths of families of color.

NBCDI’s first parenting program, the Parent Empowerment Program (PEP), was launched over two decades ago. NBCDI collaborated with experts in the field of family and community engagement to inform and enhance the newly revised Family Empowerment Program (FEP) to reflect feedback from families and current research on trauma-informed care and child development.

Join this exciting training opportunity to become a certified Facilitator of NBCDI’s Family Empowerment Program!
**Early Childhood Education**

**Becoming Culturally Relevant: One Teacher's Journey**  
Presenter(s): Toni Sturdivant, Doctoral Fellow, University of Texas at San Antonio

**Brain-Based and Color Blind? - The Parallels of Culturally Responsive Pedagogy and Brain-Based Learning**  
Presenter(s): Toni Sturdivant, Doctoral Fellow, University of Texas at San Antonio

**Waterford UPSTART: An Innovative Approach to Kindergarten Readiness and Social-Emotional Learning**  
Presenter(s): Dr. LaTasha Hadley, Director of National UPSTART Program Implementations, Waterford Institute, Inc.; Dr. Courtenay Burns, Legislative Assistant, Waterford Institute, Inc.

**Leadership Lessons: Who's Next? Succession Planning for Early Childhood Education (ECE) Programs**  
Presenter(s): Sharen Woodley, M.Ed., Project Manager, Programs for Parents, Inc.

**Afrocentric Early Childhood Education**  
Presenter(s): Rasheki Kuykendall-Walker, Vice Principal, Roots Public Charter School; Gail Gray, Lead Pre-Primary Teacher, Roots Public Charter School

**The Brilliance of Black Boys: Cultivating School Success in the Early Grades**  
Presenter(s): Dr. Brian Wright, Assistant Professor of Early Childhood Education, The University of Memphis

**Building a Vibrant Early Childhood Education Business**  
Presenter(s): Dr. Robert Gundling, Early Childhood Education (ECE) Leader and Administrator, Senior Consultant, Sunshine Early Learning Center, Inc.; Jahi Davis, MBA, Senior Consultant, Better Futures, LLC

**Looking, Listening, and Learning: Lessons from Early Childhood Preservice Teachers of Color at a Predominantly White Institution (PWI)**  
Presenter(s): Dr. Crystal Glover, Assistant Professor of Early Childhood Education, Winthrop University

**Embracing Authentic Assessment through Learning Stories**  
Presenter(s): Dr. Lygia Stebbing, Director, EDvance San Francisco State University; Brijhe Pointer, Lead Teacher and Graduate, San Francisco State University

**Chronic Absenteeism: What Is It and How Can We Combat It Through Authentic Family Engagement?**  
Presenter(s): Rarzail Jones, MA, Illinois Action for Children; Kristina Rogers, Illinois Action for Children; Saret Beraki, MSW, Illinois Action for Children

**Nurturing Future World Changers: Fundamentals to Brain Development**  
Presenter(s): Wanikka Vance-Clark, Head of School and Reading Specialist, adVANCEment Learning Publications

**Culturally Responsive Practices in Head Start Classrooms**  
Presenter(s): Tonya Thomas, Instructional Coach, University of Oklahoma – Tulsa

**Learning Spaces: Approaches to Equity, Family Partnership, and Early School Success**  
Presenter(s): Tanya Wallace, M.Ed., Project Manager, Quality Improvements, United Way Greater - Atlanta

**Fostering Teacher Leadership in Black Early Care Providers: Framework and Strategies**  
Presenter(s): Dr. Raynice Jean-Sigir, Associate Professor of Early Childhood Education, Kennesaw State University

**Starting Small to Yield BIG Results: Brain Power**  
Presenter(s): Dr. Helena Mosely, Executive Director of Elementary Leadership, Crowley Independent School District

**Ideal Learning in Action: A Community-Wide Effort in New Haven**  
Presenter(s): Davia Brown-Franklyn, Senior Director of Partnerships, New Haven Children’s Ideal Learning District; Emily Sharrock, Deputy Executive Director, Bank Street Education Center; Karen DuBois-Walton, New Haven Children’s Ideal Learning District

**Affirmation, Confirmation, Transformation: Supporting Social and Emotional Competence in Young Scholars**  
Presenter(s): Dr. Stephanie Davidson, Associate Professor of Early Childhood Education, Jackson State University

**Let’s Start at the Beginning: Helping Children Manage Emotions, Impulses, and Behavior**  
Presenter(s): Kenneth Sherman, Education Specialist, HighScope Foundation

**Disrupting the System to Advance the Early Childhood Education (ECE) Profession: Are We There Yet?**  
Presenter(s): Marica Cox Mitchell, Deputy Executive Officer, NAEYC; Jerletha McDonald, President, Arlington DFW Childcare Providers Association

**Reaching and Serving Every Child: Engaging Families and Communities, and Incorporating Mental Wellness**  
Presenter(s): Aminah Wyatt-Jones, M.Ed., Assistant Director of Community Systems, Illinois Action for Children; Bryan Stokes, M.A., Vice President of Early Learning Programs, Illinois Action for Children; Deborah Chalmers, M.A., Director of Consultation Programs, Illinois Action for Children

**Family Engagement**

**Engaging Fathers as Stakeholders in their Children’s Academic Achievement**  
Presenter(s): Dwayne Meeks, Executive Director, Urban Colors Arts and Mentoring; Terry Meeks, Director, Urban Colors Arts and Mentoring and the Colorado National African-American Drug Policy Coalition
Workshop Sessions by Category

**Partnering with Parents for Success**
Presenter(s): Janice Celeste, MBA, Founder and Editor-in-Chief, Successful Black Parenting

**DRIVE TO FIVE: Equipping Dads for Maximum Performance in the 0-5 Years**
Presenter(s): Kenneth Braswell, Executive Director, Fathers Incorporated

**With Black Children in Mind: Developing Racial Equity in Family-Serving Organizations**
Presenter(s): Dr. Tonya Bibbs, Faculty, Erikson Institute

**Baby Scholars: Framework for Cultural Relativism in Home Visiting and Its Impact on Kindergarten Readiness**
Presenter(s): Kimberly Spencer, Program Director of Baby Scholars, Early Learning Neighborhood Collaborative; Earlina Libbett, Early Learning Neighborhood Collaborative; Tequia Adams, M.Ed., Program Supervisor, Spectrum Health

**Improving Math Opportunities for African-American School Age Girls: A Family Systems Approach**
Presenter(s): Dr. Yvette Harris, Professor of Psychology, Miami University; Seyma Inan, B.A., Graduate Student, Miami University; Seham Almutairi, M.A., Graduate Student, Miami University; Karmiella Ferster, Undergraduate Student, Miami University

**Engaging Fathers and Getting Dads Excited About Reading to Their Children**
Presenter(s): Eugene Schneeberg, Senior Fatherhood and Families Specialist, National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse

**The Quest for Family Engagement through the Lens of Cultural Self-Awareness**
Presenter(s): Dr. Harriette Bailey, MHA, Assistant Professor and BK Program Coordinator, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro; Tarsha Banister, M.Ed., Coordinator of Peer Coaching and Quality Maintenance, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro; Rhodos Riggins, Jr., M.Ed., Coordinator of Quality Enhancement, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro

**Transforming Our Communities by Mapping the Strengths of Families of Color**
Presenter(s): Dr. Marta Sánchez, Managing Editor, Successful Black Parenting; Janice Celeste, MBA, Founder and Editor-in-Chief, Successful Black Parenting

**Empowering Families Using Natural Learning Environment Practices to Improve Child Development**
Presenter(s): Chelsia Latney, M.S. CCC-SLP, Clinical Director of Strong Start DC Early Intervention, Office of the State Superintendent of Education; Barbara Grant, M.A. ECSE, Supervisory Early Intervention Specialist, Office of the State Superintendent of Education

**Health and Wellness**

**Practicing Self-Care in a World of Secondary Traumatic Stress for the Early Education Provider**
Presenter(s): Andrea Rodgers, Clinical Manager, The Children’s Center of Wayne County

**Putting I.D.E.A.s into Action: Overcoming Implicit Bias in Classrooms and Therapeutic Spaces**
Presenter(s): Dr. Dina Walker-DeVose, Assistant Professor, Georgia Southern University; Dr. Delton DeVose, Licensed Professional Counselor and Addiction Specialist, Department of Defense

**Using Trauma-Informed Practices to Support Students in Temporary Housing and Other Vulnerable**
Presenter(s): Dr. Dina Walker-DeVose, Assistant Professor, Georgia Southern University; Dr. Delton DeVose, Licensed Professional Counselor and Addiction Specialist, Department of Defense

**Population**
Presenter(s): Katherine Marshall-Polite, LCSWR, Executive Director of the Office of Students in Temporary Housing, New York City Department of Education; Caroline Rostant, LCSWR, Social Worker, New York City Department of Education; Rebekah Askew-Morris, Licensed Certified School Counselor and Borough Manager, New York City Department of Education

**Rethinking What Matters to African-American Parents and Community: Flourishing Births, Education, and Health Systems**
Presenter(s): Alida Abdullah, Senior Program Associate, Cultural Wellness Center; Sameerah Bilal-Roby, Director, African-American Babies Coalition

**“No, Not in My Family!” - Autism: Parents in Denial**
Presenter(s): Dr. Nedra Y. Washington, Program Coordinator, University of North Texas - Dallas, President, Black Child Development Institute (BCDI) - Dallas/Fort Worth Metro

**Strategies for Framing Conversations About Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) in Education and Healthcare Settings**
Presenter(s): Akhmiri Sekhr-Ra, Chief Program Officer, Cultural Wellness Center; Dawn Williams, M.A., Cultural Intensity Specialist, Cultural Wellness Center

**Developing a Neurodevelopmental Ecological Tool: Bridging the Gaps in Community-Based Practice**
Presenter(s): Katie Volk, NEST Project Director and Principal Investigator, Center for Social Innovation; Dr. Carmella DeCandia, NEST Principal Investigator, Owner and President, Artemis Associates, LLC

**Early Childhood Attachment Resulting in Adult Attachment and the Effects on Caregiving**
Presenter(s): Haddie Mashburn, B.S., Artemis Associates, LLC
University of North Texas - Dallas
The Createconomy: Preparing Black Children for the Workplace of Tomorrow through Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) and Trauma-Informed Care
Presenter(s): Byron Sanders, President and Chief Executive Officer, Big Thought; Kristi Flanders, SEL Project Manager, Big Thought; Armando Banchs, Director of The Fellowship Initiative, Big Thought

Promoting Young Children's Social-Emotional Development through Language-Rich Interaction
Presenter(s): Jane Park Woo, Deputy Director of Too Small to Fail, Clinton Foundation

Literacy
Coding While Black
Presenter(s): Dr. Kai Dupe, Technical Trainer, Dupe Research

Linguistically Responsive Pedagogies for Non-Mainstream English Speakers: History and Research
Presenter(s): Robert Meyer, Publisher, Ventris Learning, LLC

Hip-Hop Literacy: Getting LIT for LITERACY in P4-2nd Grade
Presenter(s): Dr. Anthony Broughton, Professor of Education, Claflin University

Increasing Literacy through Representation
Presenter(s): Tamara McNeil, Entrepreneur, Just Like Me! Box

Strategies for Including Stories of Black Children and Families in Early Childhood Classrooms
Presenter(s): Dr. Raynice Jean-Sigur, Associate Professor of Early Childhood Education, Kennesaw State University; Dr. Natasha Thornton, Assistant Professor of Reading and Literacy Education, Kennesaw State University; Monique Johnson, Professor, Kennesaw State University

Using Sign Language to Enhance Hearing Children's Literacy
Presenter(s): Karen Kay Rush, M.Ed., Early Childhood Specialist, HighScope Foundation

Policy and Advocacy
Early Childhood Advocacy 101: What You Can Do and Where to Start!
Presenter(s): Andrea Rodgers, Clinical Manager, The Children’s Center of Wayne County

Community Engagement and Global Citizenship
Presenter(s): Jahi Mackey, Founder and Program Director, The 821 Project

Can You Hear Me Now? Influencing Policymakers to Hear Your Call for Increased Support
Presenter(s): Suzanne Smith, Chief Executive Officer and Founder, Social Impact Architects

Set Up for Success: How Improving Workplaces for Parents Can Improve Outcomes for Black Children
Presenter(s): Julie Vogtman, Director of Job Quality and Senior Counsel, National Women’s Law Center

Teamwork Makes the Dream Work... Are You Awake?
Presenter(s): Debbie Hillman, President, Developing Human Resources Consultants

Reconstructing Leadership in Early Childhood Education (ECE): Inequities in the Current System and Strategies for Change
Presenter(s): Bethany Edwards, Research and Policy Associate of the Center for the Study of Child Care Employment, University of California - Berkeley; Dr. Lea Austin, Director of the Center for the Study of Child Care Employment, University of California - Berkeley; Ashley Williams, Senior Quality and Workforce Analyst, San Francisco Mayor’s Office of Early Care and Education

Presenter(s): Deborah Green, MSW, MAC, CDVC-III, CCJS, President, Black Child Development Institute (BCDI) - Houston and ACTION: Advocacy, Consultation, Training, Innovations, and Opportunities Network

Elementary and Secondary Education
Leading STEM Education for Minority Populations
Presenter(s): Freda Hicks, Principal, Chatham County Schools

If Instruction Isn't Engaging, I Quit!
Presenter(s): Vincent Taylor, Academic Coach and Educational Consultant, TriEclipse, Inc.

Disrupting Deficit Thinking: The ABCs (Academic Identity, Bias, and Culturally Sustaining) Pedagogy
Presenter(s): Traci Dennis, Professor, American University; Dr. Terica Butler, Project Manager, Scholastic Inc.

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Black Male Education on Trauma and Health (BMETH)
Presenter(s): Barry Walston, President, Black Child Development Institute (BCDI) - Albany; Ihkeem Ma’at, Brave Heart Entrepreneurial Youth Camp

Activating Sankofa: Leveraging African History and the Heritage Knowledge of Black Youth
Presenter(s): Dr. Lasana Kazembe, Assistant Professor, Indiana University-Indianapolis

Empowering African-American Girls to Soar Towards their Destiny
Presenter(s): Dr. Gail L. Thompson, Executive Director of Equity, Illuminate Education

Equity in Action: Building Resiliency in African-American Students Through Transformational Teaching
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WORKSHOP SESSIONS BY CATEGORY

**Hip-Hop Play: Turning Up for Early Learning with Intentionality**
Presenter(s): Dr. Anthony Broughton, Professor of Education, Claflin University

**Ways to Recruit Male Students in Engaging Child Development**
Presenter(s): Cameron Curtis, Student, University of North Texas; Ashley Cunningham, Student, University of North Texas; Shabaz Brown, M.S., Multicultural Center Student Services Coordinator, University of North Texas

**S.T.E.A.M. Education is Cultural Education!**
Presenter(s): Renee K. Smith, Educational and Organizational Development Consultant; Tracy Gray, Tech Ed Consultant

**School Climate, Culture, and Discipline Policies**

**Literacy Practices of African-American Families**
Presenter(s): Dr. Delilah Gonzales, Assistant Professor, Texas Southern University; Dr. Ingrid Haynes, Director of Accreditation, Texas Southern University

**The Harsh Reality of Discipline Disparities and the School-to-Prison Pipeline**
Presenter(s): Adjoa B. Asamoah, National Consultant, The George Washington University

**Stitching the Black Achievement Gap**
Presenter(s): Janice Celeste, MBA, Founder and Editor-in-Chief, Successful Black Parenting

**The Effects of Non-Residential Fathers on Family Environmental Risks Among African-American Males**
Presenter(s): Dr. Jeffrey Herron, Assistant Professor, Campbellsville University

**The Black Light Project: Challenging the Narratives, Shifting the Focus**
Presenter(s): Tonya Lynch, MA, TPC, Executive Producer and Founder, The Black Light Project

**Classroom Culture: Intersections of Race, Class, and Ability**
Presenter(s): Dr. Katrina Cummings, Assistant Professor, Simpson College

**Yoga in You: A Product of Peace**
Presenter(s): Kinyata Fulton, Founder, Remembrance Wellness and Yoga, LLC; Nathan Roston, IV, Yoga Instructor, Remembrance Wellness and Yoga, LLC

**Building a Movement to Get Police Out of Schools**
Presenter(s): Liz King, Director of Education Policy, The Leadership Conference Education Fund

Presenter(s): Dr. Tywanda Jiles, Assistant Professor of Early Childhood Education, Governors State University; Dr. Emily Sartini, BCBA-D, Assistant Professor of Special Education, Western Illinois University; Dr. Megan Lyons, Western Illinois University

**Shining Stars Girls Stepping Out on Faith and Young Male Leaders Leading**
Presenter(s): Dr. Gloria Kirkland Holmes, Associate Professor of Early Childhood Education, Education Coordinator of Shining Stars Girls, University of Northern Iowa

**Avoiding Pathologization: School Discipline in Historically Targeted Communities**
Presenter(s): Dr. Darrick Smith, Assistant Professor of Leadership Studies, Co-Director of the TSL Program, University of San Francisco

**Inspiring Success through Social-Emotional Learning: An Innovative Approach to Training and Coaching**
Presenter(s): Benjamin Occelin, M.Ed., Instructional Designer, Institute of Excellence in Early Care and Education; Janell Wildgoose-Carroll, MBA, Instructional Designer, Institute of Excellence in Early Care and Education

**What Cultural Competency Is Not**
Presenter(s): Tamiko Jordan, M.S.Ed., Executive Director, Beyond the Gap, Black Child Development Institute (BCDI) - Indianapolis Interest Group

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