I am so proud to be the 50th Anniversary Conference Co-Chair.

I have been focused on the education of Black children for many years and have been a longtime supporter of NBCDI. I am pleased to invite you to join us for this year’s virtual conference which will be full of rich content, informative, and an emotional balm for the Black community.

As we come out on the other side of a global pandemic; we are all healing, recalibrating, and putting the pieces together as we each adjust to our new normal. We know that Black children and families not only dealt with enormous loss with the disproportionate passing of loved ones, lack of access to health care, and diminished financial resources, but we also witnessed racial injustice and unrest resurface in a manner not seen in decades. At a time like this, NBCDI is even more dedicated to moving the needle on improving the lives of Black children and families. This year’s virtual conference will enable us to reflect, restore and reinvigorate.

NBCDI has been committed to providing culturally relevant educational content for Black children and families for more than 50 years, and we have even more work to do. We want to celebrate all that we’ve accomplished and plan for the next 50 years of excellence — through enhancing and improving the lives of Black children and families. Let’s all convene at the NBCDI 50th Anniversary Conference this October 14th and 15th. Please register for the virtual conference by visiting https://www.nbcdi50forward.com/. I look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,

Geoffrey Canada