#### **Interludes**

28 Days of Black History

<u>Julius Eastman - Unjust Malaise</u>

Nina Simone

The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill

Leroy Campbell







Poudre School District Colorado State University





Define Culturally
Sustaining Pedagogy
and Culturally
Responsive Teaching
in research, theory,
and action.

Dive into foundational pillars through dialogic and inquiry-based learning models Engage in authentic inquiry-based plan to explore, grow, and commit to shifts in personal and professional practice

Contextualize this work in PSD sites + district

Practice PSD Principles of Community

Learning Targets

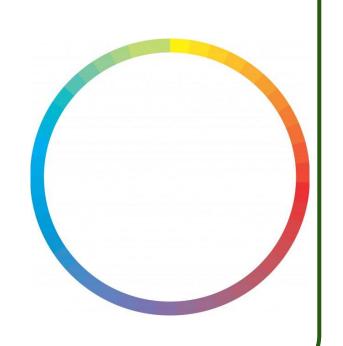






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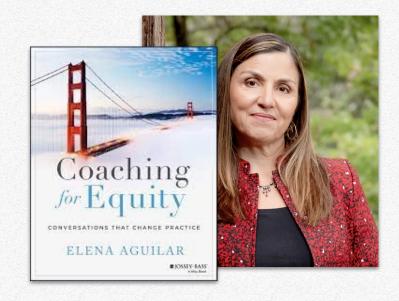
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The U.S. Census Bureau projects that by the middle of 2020, the majority of the nation's children will be nonwhite (U.S. Census Bureau, 2018)

In 2015-16, about 80% of public school teachers were white (National Center for Education).

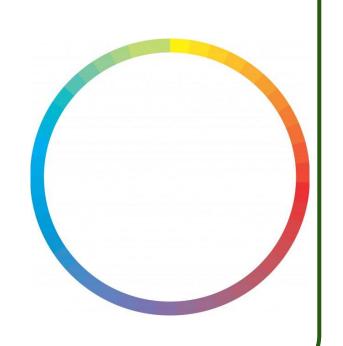
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## Name Pronouns

Site and role What brings you here today?







#### **Land Acknowledgement**

<u>Tribal Nations Map</u>

<u>A Guide to Indigenous Land Acknowledgement</u>

<u>CSU's Land Acknowledgement</u>



Acknowledgment is a simple, powerful way of showing respect and a step toward correcting the stories and practices that erase Indigenous people's history and culture and toward inviting and honoring the truth.

Imagine this practice widely adopted: imagine cultural venues, classrooms, conference settings, places of worship, sports stadiums, and town halls, acknowledging traditional lands. Millions would be exposed—many for the first time—to the names of the traditional Indigenous inhabitants of the lands they are on, inspiring them to ongoing awareness and action.



**NEWS > LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT** 

A GUIDE TO

**INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT** 





## **Mindful Moment**







## **Write Into the Day**



#### Equity in Practice Guidelines

An enritation to be open-minded to others' ideas, feelings, worlders and ways of doing things so that greater exploration and interest anding are possible. The invitation also included feeling first to take those things that "fef" and to leave of the away those indigent when devoted feelings.

Experience Discomfort When talking about something that is not unsally a past or day; convertation, it is natural for some people become uncomfortal able. We see not supposed when we (or others) feel unconfortal but we do not try to rescue one amount of the descendant it is a but we do not try to rescue one amount only they only the product of the second one amount of the descendant it is a to the descendant of the second one amount of the descendant it is a the second of the second one amount of the second of the second of the try to the second of the second one amount of the second of the try to the second of second second of second of second of second of second learning process, and it becomes natural only through experience. Move up, Move up

In order to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to participate in the conversation, plants monitor your own engalgement. If you find yourself speaking loadly and often, move up your insteaming if you are more heaten't to share your voice, move up your verbal instances. participation.

Be aware of Intent & Impact Invites us to consider that in cross cultural interactions, can letter might and match are impact, whose well have a register in register and invited the property of the control of the

#### Practice Both/And thinking

Invites us to see that more than one reality or perspective can be true at the same time, sinher than seeing reality as strictly either/or, either or wrong good or bad, this or that. Using "bubbland" shielding on the very helpful in reconciling differences and conflicts that do any person of the properties of th



the Process

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to our internal thoughts, feelings urselves petting imitated with some ve can blame or shame them or emally what is causing our imicing self focus is using "I", rather ents. When we intend to refer to ose others are-by name or group.

ally in relation to racial underperson, confusing, and lead to more questions Than answers. We are engaging in an adaptive process, not imple-

#### Anything else to create a safe/brave space?

Invites us to recognize that there is a difference between 'safety' and 'comfort.' As adult learners we are each responsible for our own physical and emotional safety. Often, in situations of cross cultural disagreement individuals may assume they are unsafe. ery and lean into that discomfort so that we can each remain engaged and move forward together.



## Our Responsibilities

#### **Cross That Line**

Paul Robeson stood on the northern border of the USA and sang into Canada where a vast audience sat on folding chairs waiting to hear him.

He sang into Canada. His voice left the USA when his body was not allowed to cross that line.

Remind us again, brave friend. What countries may we sing into? What lines should we all be crossing? What songs travel toward us from far away to deepen our days?



Paul Robeson



Naomi Shihab Nye



What "countries" do you sing into? (equitable practices, changes, student needs, staff needs, etc.)

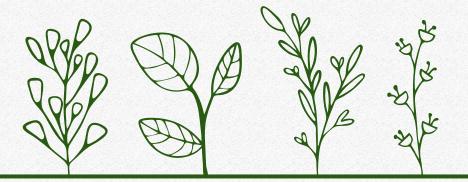
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### Write Into the Day

# 01 Mindsets for this Work





## Purpose: Educational Equity

Clear and shared definition



**Principles of Equity Literacy** 

10 Ways to Recenter Race and Equity in Education

Reflection + ACTION



**Equity Literacy & Abilities Skills** 

20 Things I will do to Be an Equitable Educator

Rather than centering dominant culture comfort...



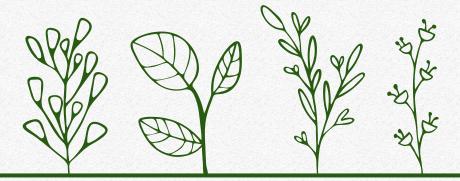
#### **THREE MINDSETS**



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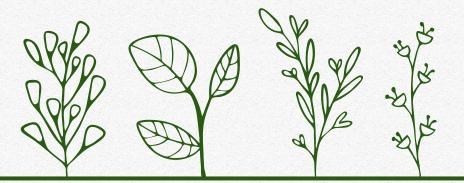
## **Groundwork in Community**

Recognizing and Addressing Harmful Language



## **From Theory to Practice**

Culturally Responsive Teaching Culturally Sustaining Pedagogy



Session 1



with thanks to Tiana Song and Kate Stevens

#### Burning Questions for Session One: Investigating Self

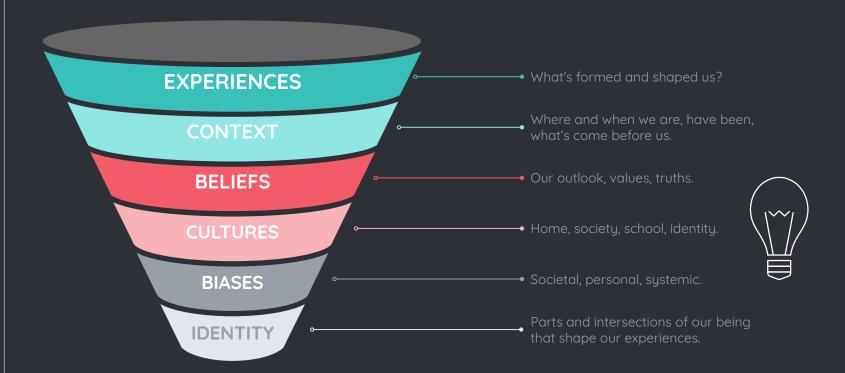
 How does the act of "investigating self" step toward being a more culturally responsive educator?

 How can this investigation help me commit to shifts in my personal and professional practice?



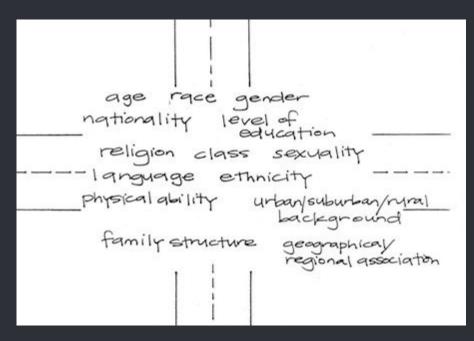


When we start with ourselves, we can consider...



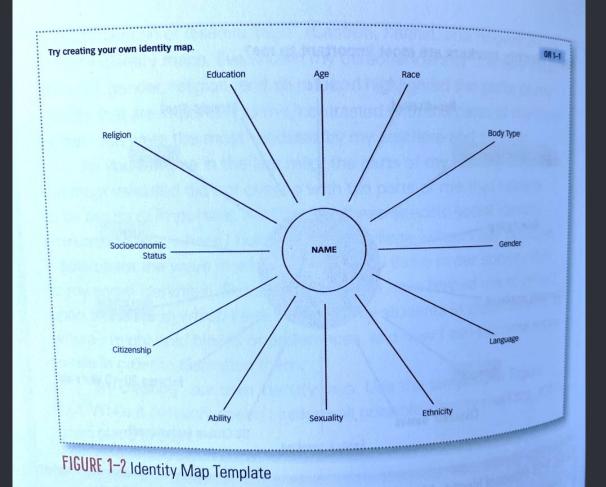
#### Invitation for Self Investigation

- How has your identity influenced how you teach and lead?
- What identity markers are most important to you?
- Take some time now to put it on paper, considering aspects of the self that show up for you visibly and invisibly.

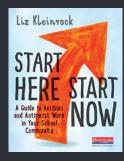




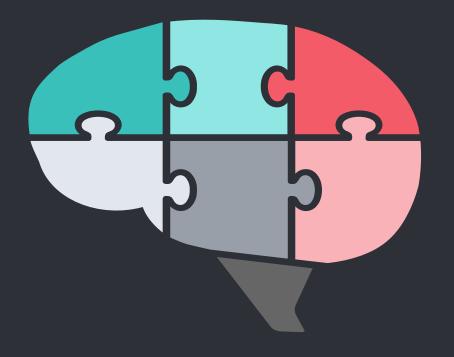
#### START HERE, START NOW







What parts of your identity were most validated by your teachers and your schools?







How does identity and experience influence what and how I teach (or how I lead)?

What may be my bare spots?

What may be my biases?

## Hold your thinking.

## **Burning Questions on Investigating Self**

 Ted Talk Liz Kleinrock Start Here, Start Now: a guide to anti bias and antiracist work in your school community. STARTING WITH OUR OWN IDENTITIES

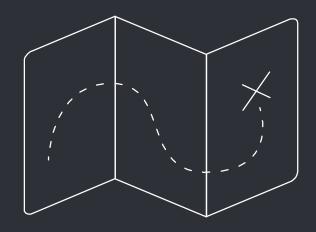
 MINI LESSON: What are dominant cultural narratives and non-dominant cultural narratives? See the matrix from Kate and Tiana for more resources

 Where are our lights shining right now? (In classroom, schools, leadership, communities?)(Poster Walk and Talk)

Elena Aguilar Matrix

# What stories do our classrooms hold?

Dominant Narratives & Counternarratives



Define Dominant Narratives/Counternarratives

#### **Dominant Narratives**

- → A **dominant narrative** is an explanation or story that is told in service of the dominant social group's interests and ideologies.
- → It usually <u>achieves dominance through repetition</u> (often accorded to speakers who represent the dominant social groups), and the <u>silencing</u> of alternative accounts.
- → Because **dominant narratives** are so **normalized** through their **repetition** and **authority**, they have the **illusion of being objective and apolitical**, when in fact they are neither.

#### Define Narratives/Counternarratives

#### **Counternarratives**

- → A **counternarrative** is a message that offers a positive alternative to extremist propaganda, or alternatively aims to **deconstruct or delegitimize extremist messages**.
- → Counternarratives play a role in the **construction of identity**, with identity understood as relational, taking form through interaction in social contexts.
- → They <u>fill a need for stories that match one's own experiences of self</u>, particularly those that are at odds with socially constrained master narratives.

In your life, in your teaching/leadership, in your school, where are the lights shining? What dominant narratives are being perpetuated? What counternarratives need light?



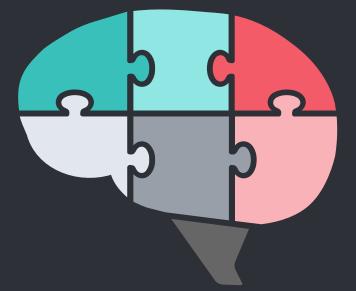


#### BIG POST-IT PAPER (from your previous reflection)

- What are your observations? (schools, classrooms, teams)
- Big ideas from your reflection
- Big questions that may not have an answer yet
- Add your thoughts to your group's sticky



- Post stickies around the room
- Take a lap, read through them
- What do you notice?
- What do you wonder?



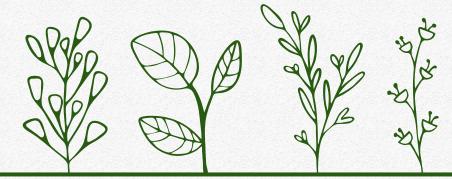






## Sessions 2 and 3

Dr. Ricki Ginsberg







## Circling Back... THREE MINDSETS



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**Pursue:** 

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## Start Anywhere, Go Everywhere

Next Steps: Inquiry between now and March 30

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## Feedback Form

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