

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

4th Annual Identity & Education Conference: 21st Century Equity

Friday, March 13, 2020, 8am- 1pm, at Fairfield University

Sponsored by the *Fairfield Warde Voices for Equity (FWVE)* and the Fairfield University Graduate School of Education & Allied Professionals

Your Voice Can Do More Than You Think It Can! There comes a time to empower the voices of equity. Now is a time to listen to our students and teachers; a time to act together for educational justice. We are looking to amplify the voices of groups of students (and their allies) who often are not heard in their schools due to race, gender, ethnicity, culture or family wealth.

We invite students and teachers to present at a *student-driven* conference. Presenters will share stories/experiences through a variety of media/art, teaching practices, club activities, and research designed to amplify student voices, break down barriers, and create a common understanding. ***The purpose of this conference is to empower each other to lead the way to equity in education.***

Students: Students, you are invited to create a presentation that explains how you make your voice heard in your school and in your community. How are you advocating for change? How are you empowering yourself and others? How do you make change in your school for voices that are under-represented? How are you using the arts and/or media as a means of action?

Educators: Teachers/professors, administrators, and other educational practitioners are also invited to submit presentation proposals. How do you or your colleagues encourage students to talk about and work with issues of equity within your curriculum? What innovative classroom strategies are you using to promote equity and engage students? How do you empower students to self-advocate for their identity? How are you getting people involved in the larger discussion of equity in your school?

Community Leaders/Organizers: What motivates you to make a change in your community? How do you gather resources? With whom do you partner? What makes a program successful?

It's easy to submit a proposal!!! Simply click on the link below and complete a proposal form **by February 4, 2020.**

Possible formats include:

- Panel Presentations
- Facilitated Group discussions
- Poster presentations
- Performances (poetry, dance, art exhibit, music, hands-on activity)
- Model Lessons

LIVE LINK:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1bWB6Zuc6m1lpSWGrHFi81Pm4YvGtKtPLI_VzxjR_61c/edit

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