Amplifying the Will & Skill Needed to Address Educational Inequity

The Smart Choice for Education Solutions

November 14, 2019

8:30am-3:30pm (8:00am Check In)



This workshop will offer a unique opportunity to go beyond what we have learned about equity and diversity and focus on strategies for responding and redressing inequities in classrooms, schools and the greater educational community.

Seema Pothini will use *case studies to present every-day examples of the ways in which racism, sexism, homophobia and heterosexism, class inequities, language bias, religious-based oppression, and other equity and diversity concerns affect students, teachers, families, and other members of our school communities. They involve classroom issues that are relevant to all grade levels and all content areas.

Participants will be able to Practice the process of considering a range of contextual factors including:

- Checking their own biases
- Making immediate and longer-term decisions about how to create and sustain equitable learning environments for all students

Who Should Attend?

Teachers, paraprofessionals, coaches, counselors, administrators, and all interested educators



Seema G. Pothini's passion for creating equitable classrooms and schools drives her commitment as an advocate for underserved youth. She has extensive experience improving student success in historically underperforming schools and while teaching in Houston, was elected Teacher of the Year in her region and appointed to the superintendent's committee to address the opportunity gap. In addition to teaching, she has worked as a K-12 cultural integration specialist and consultant. Seema served

as board president for Avenues for Homeless Youth and currently serves as president of the Minnesota chapter of the National Association for Multicultural Education. She is also co-author of Case Studies for Equity and Social Justice Education (with Paul Gorski).

Registration Information

Fee: \$130 <u>Metro ECSU</u> <u>Member; or Resource</u> <u>Training & Solutions</u> <u>member</u> \$260 Non-member (Fee includes lunch)

*This workshop will utilize cases from Seema Pothini & Paul Gorski's book "Case Studies on Diversity and Social Justice Education". Copies can be purchased for an additional \$35.

Register online: https://metroecsu.myquickreg.c om/register/event

Registration Deadline: November 14, 2019

Registration Deadline with Book Order: October 31, 2019

Cancellation Deadline: November 12, 2019

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