

Book Study: We Got This.

Equity, Access, and the Quest to Be
Who Our Students Need Us to Be
Cornelius Minor

January 11, 18, 25
February 1, 2022
4:00 pm – 5:15 pm
Virtual via Zoom

In We Got This: Equity, Access, and the Quest to Be Who Our Students Need Us to Be, Cornelius Minor challenges the trope of the lone teacher saving the world one child at a time, and instead shows readers that what makes teachers “heroic” is their willingness and ability to authentically listen to kids. It is through authentic listening that teachers can, both individually and collectively, make powerful moves toward equity and work to disrupt oppressive systems.

Each chapter lays out not only the why but also provides tools and strategies to help teachers get to the how.

- Learn how to plan and revise lessons to ensure access and equity
- Investigate ways to look anew at explicit and tacit rules that consistently affect groups of students unequally
- Review suggestions for leaning into classroom community when it feels like the kids are against you
- Study ideas for using universal design that make curriculum relevant and accessible
- Select advocacy strategies for making classroom and schoolwide changes that expand access to opportunity to your students

Discussion sessions (4-75-minute sessions) to be hosted in a virtual format.

Session 1:

- Introduction: We all Want to be Better
- Chapter 1: Begin by Listening

Session 2:

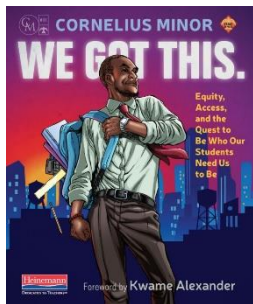
- Chapter 2: You Can Disrupt the Status Quo
- Chapter 3: Do Your Homework and then Go For it

Session 3:

- Chapter 4: Show Your Kids That You Hear Them
- Chapter 5: Make Curriculum Work for Your Kids

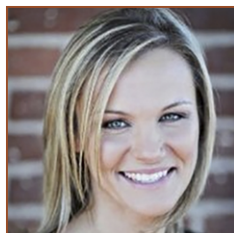
Session 4:

- Chapter 6: Being a Good Teacher Versus Being a Good Employee
- Epilogue



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Registration Information

Cost: \$60 [Metro ECSU Member](#)

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Registration Deadline: January 11, 2022

Cancellation Deadline: January 7, 2022

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