

Educational Equity and Significant Disproportionality Webinar Series

NC State Board of Education, Exceptional Children Division and Integrated Academic Behavior Systems

IDEA requires States and local educational agencies (LEAs) to take steps to determine the existence of and address significant disproportionality in special education.

The purpose of the webinar series on Educational Equity and Significant Disproportionality are designed to inform and guide Public School Units (PSUs) as they seek to eliminate significant disproportionality. The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) regulations were created to promote equity in IDEA and ensure that children with and without disabilities are properly identified and receive necessary services, address over and under identification, placement and discipline with respect to race and ethnicity. The sessions are 90 minutes in length with the first 60 minutes recorded and the last 30 minutes for Q & A.

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Thursday, May 26, 2022 (3:00pm-4:30pm)

Presenter: Dr. Tracey A. Benson

Title: The Pedagogy of Educational Equity: Strategies to Interrupt Unconscious Bias in the Classroom

Dr. Benson received his doctorate in Education Leadership from the Harvard Graduate School of Education and his Masters of School Administration from University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. He has co-authored the book *Unconscious Racial Bias in Schools: A Developmental Approach to Exploring Race and Racism* and has developed a comprehensive training program for district and school leaders that features a high-yield three-pronged approach to addressing issues of racial bias that impede the academic outcomes of students of color. His research focuses on addressing structural and systemic racism in K-12 school systems.

Target Audience: General Educators, Special Educators, Administrators seeking to improve knowledge and skills on understanding.

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