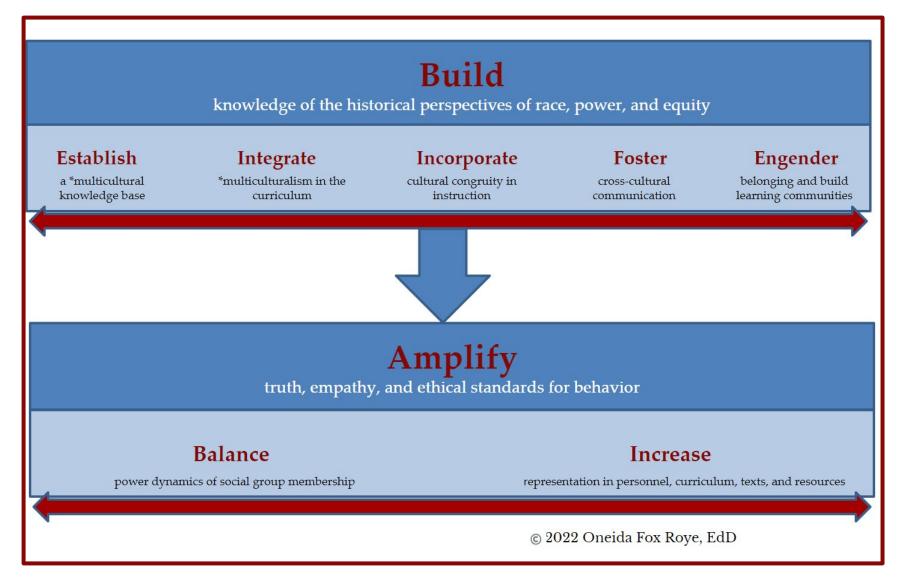


Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Justice (DEI & J) in the Dedham Public Schools

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Guiding Principles of DEI & J



^{*}Critical Multiculturalism

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Build Knowledge of the Historical Perspectives of Race, Power, and Equity

- Understanding of the legacies that establish the location of wealth, power, and status
 - Establish a *multicultural knowledge base
 - Understand the cultural characteristics and contributions of different groups
 - Integrate *multiculturalism in the curriculum
 - Ensure historically responsive perspectives, knowledge building, and critical skills
 - Incorporate cultural congruity in instruction
 - Include funds of knowledge
 - **■** Foster cross-cultural communication
 - Focus on communication as the foundation of community
 - Engender belonging and build learning communities
 - Enter in partnerships of respect

Amplify Truth, Empathy, and Ethical Standards for Behavior

- Reveal truths about the racial hierarchy, belief systems, and focus on fostering actionable change
 - Balance power dynamics of social group membership
 - Work toward eliminating the belief in a racial hierarchy
 - Increase representation in personnel, curriculum, texts, and resources
 - Prioritize diversity, equity, and inclusion

DEI & J Cultural Competency Course Corridor: C-Cubed

Build knowledge of historical perspectives of race, power, and equity **Leadership Series** Book Study/Self Study **Content Series Diversity Talks Equity Action Teams** Implicit bias, power & Seven forms of bias Ijeoma Oluo, Beverly Daniel Historical perspectives Texts as windows. privilege, how to talk Social justice anchor Tatum, Zaretta Hammond, on race, defining terms, mirrors, and sliding about race. & standards & Cancen Callender and whiteness glass doors reconciliation **Enabling texts** Action research Amplify truth, empathy and ethical standards for behavior **Social Emotional Learning Community Sessions Equity Audits Policy** Surveys **PTO Sessions** Restorative/ Culturally DEI&J HS Equity DEI&I Code of Responsive Transformative Justice Student, Roundtable Conversations Conduct Voices, Experiences, Stories Teaching PERM Learning Walk DEI&I Conversation Series Educator Resources Mentors

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- Build Knowledge of the Historical Perspectives of Race, Power, and Equity
 - Establish a *multicultural knowledge base
 - Leadership Series
 - 35 Administrators AY 20-21, 4 sessions
 - 35 Administrators AY 21-22, 6 sessions
 - Diversity Talks
 - 50 Teachers 4 sessions
 - 50 Teachers, Specialist, and Paraprofessionals 3 sessions
 - Integrate *multiculturalism in the curriculum
 - **Equity Action Teams**

Increase representation by auditing classroom libraries to provide culturally diverse and enabling texts to support teaching and learning across Pre-K to Grade 5.

- Avery 7 Educators (Teachers, Librarian, Principal, and a Parent)
- ECEC 12 Educators (Teachers, Librarian, Principal, and a Parent)
- Oakdale 8 Educators (Teachers, Librarian, and Principal)

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- Incorporate cultural congruity in instruction
 - Content Series
 - Resources and Tools
 - Seven Forms of Bias, Social Justice Anchor Standards, and Action Research
- **■** Foster cross-cultural communication
 - Book Study Series
 - So You Want to Talk About Race, Why are all the Black Kids Sitting in the Cafeteria, Culturally Responsive Teaching, and the Brain, and King and the Dragonflies
- Engender belonging and build learning communities
 - PTO Sessions
 - DEIJ Conversations
 - Avery, ECEC, Greenlodge, Oakdale 6 sessions, 25-35 parents
 - Surveys
 - DEI&J HS Students Administered 6/21, taken by 324
 - PERM Educators Administered 10/21, taken by 189

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- Amplify truth, empathy, and ethical standards for behavior
 - Balance power dynamics of social group membership
 - Voices, Experiences, Stories
 - DEI & J Conversation Series
 - Increase representation in personnel, curriculum, texts, and resources
 - Lit with Words: Read Aloud Program

 The goal of the Lit With Words: Read Aloud is to provide our elementary students with representation and read alouds that are culturally diverse and enabling across Grades K-3.
 - Internships for 4 high school students Oakdale
 - DHS Student Leaders for Equity
 The goal of the DHS Student Leaders for Equity is to promote to voice and agency
 - Leadership role for 7 high school students



