# **Anti-Racism/ Equity Strategic Planning Framework**

Goal #1: Develop and adopt an SAU-wide equity policy to serve as a basis for decision making and priorities for all boards.

# **Action Steps Taken:**

- <u>Draft Policy</u> being presented to the joint school board
- Policy adoption and communication

#### **Timeline and Essential Tasks:**

• SAU Senior Staff to bring equity policy draft to Joint School Board for approval November 2020

#### **Involvement of External Partners:**

• Guidance from Great Schools Partnership

#### Resources

- North Clackamas District Equity Policy
- <u>Lawrence District Equity Policy</u>
- 10 Ways School Boards Can Champion Racial Equity

Goal #2: Work with local police departments and school resource officers to ensure proper training around race/ equity.

### Action Steps Taken:

- Dr. Lupini has contacted police chiefs: Seabrook, WHS, North Hampton
- Chief Mone is on the Statewide Task Force.
  - Report has been published, endorsed by Governor

# **Timeline and Essential Tasks:**

• Winter/ Spring 2021. Schedule Task Force meeting to review statewide work.

# **Involvement of External Partners:**

- NH Commission on Law Enforcement Accountability
- North Hampton Police Department

### Resources

- Equity in Schools Resources
- Teaching Race Resources

# Goal #3: Ensure a diverse and inclusive representation of people of color in K-12 curriculum.

## Action Steps Taken:

- Curriculum and Text Adoption Process (<u>Equity Lens</u>)
- Auditing current texts, particularly in 6-12 grades to ensure diverse representation
- Working at WHS to actively track curricular topics.

#### Timeline and Essential Tasks:

# **Involvement of External Partners:**

• Moving beyond standards into facilitated discussion around curricular choices.

## Resources

- Equity in Schools Resources
- Teaching Race Resources
- GSP Grading and Reporting for Educational Equity
- GSP Indicators of Educational Equity

# Goal #4: Ensure robust and connected professional development opportunities for staff around race & equity.

# Action Steps Taken:

- New Teachers & Mentors
  - Not Light But Fire (Kay)
- Teacher in-service days
  - August: UNH Department of Community, Equity, & Diversity: Allyson Ryder, Director of Programs & Dottie Morris, Associate Vice President for Institutional Diversity and Equity, Keene State College
  - March 9th: SEL & Equity Professional Development
- Other in-service opportunities
  - Building based book groups
  - o Committees established as a result of work done by UNH.
- NHS is doing PLCs around this, 6th Grade *Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry* ELA novel and SS Human Rights Unit, 8th grade *The Watsons Go to Birmingham 1963* ELA novel and SS Civil Rights Unit

• LAS Novel- 7th/8th grade "Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry", 7/8 humanities curriculum now includes Rights and Responsibilities unit and the impact of slavery on America today

#### <u>Timeline and Essential Tasks:</u>

• SAU 21 SEL Leadership Team organize SEL PD Day (3/9/21)

#### **Involvement of External Partners:**

- UNH Dept. of Community, Equity, & Diversity
- Keene State College Office of Diversity & Multiculturalism
- NH Listens

#### Resources

- Equity in Schools Resources
- <u>Teaching Race Resources</u>
- <u>Diversifying the Educator Workforce</u>
- GSP Indicators of Educational Equity

Goal #5: Promote and solicit community involvement in the representation of minorities and people of color with regard to school symbolism and communication.

### Action Steps Taken:

- Warriors Mascot discussion with the WHS board
- Forming a task force to review issue and develop a strategic plan
  - Students from the Human Rights Club Social Studies Teacher
  - Alumni students
  - o Social Studies teacher, Stacy Brown
  - o WHS Librarian, Linda Osborne
  - o Hampton Library, Stacy Mazur
  - o Denise and Paul Pouliot, Cowasuck Band of the Pennacook-Abenaki People

# <u>Timeline and Essential Tasks:</u>

- Form task force to develop a strategic plan
- Report out to Winnacunnet School Board

#### **Involvement of External Partners:**

- National Congress of American Indians
- Cowasuck Band of the Pennacook-Abenaki People
- UNH Indigenous NH Collaborative Collective
- Lane Memorial Library

- Laurel R. Davis-Delano, Professor of Sociology, Springfield College
- WHS Alumni Students
  - Mary Casey
  - Corina Chao

#### Resources

- Indigenous Peoples in Maine are Not Mascots
- The (High School) Mascot Wars
- Sounds Like Hate Podcast
- The psychosocial effects of Native American mascots: a comprehensive review of empirical research findings
- National Education Association Resolution: Supporting Removal of Native Themed Mascots
- National Indian Education Association Resolution: Elimination of Race-Based Indian Logos, Mascots, and Names
- American Psychological Association Resolution Retiring American Indian Mascots
- Leading National Civil Rights and Racial Justice Organizations Announce Joint Opposition to Washington NFL Team Locating New Stadium in District of Columbia
- <u>CNN</u>: Maine to become first state to ban Native American mascots in public schoolsots/index.html
- NCAI: Ending the Era of Harmful "Indian" Mascots
- NCAI 2005 Resolution: Support for NCAA Ban on "Indian" Mascots
- NCAI's "Ending the Legacy of Racism" Report
- Op-ed: The destructive dynamic of dehumanizing Native Americans
- Why Educators Can't Ignore Indian Mascots
- GSP Equitable Community Engagement