

Institutional Racism and Racial Justice in Education: *Increasing Awareness, Creating Change*

Book study series: connect virtually with teachers and educational support providers across Wisconsin

Racism is the result of a complex interplay of individual attitudes, collective social values, and institutional practices. When we begin to better understand these forces, examine our own implicit bias's and take small or large action there is movement forward to irradiate racism in our schools and in our society. Join your colleagues around the state in a virtual book study facilitated by nationally renowned Restorative Practices expert and strategist Chauna Perry-Finch.

Book Club Structure

Participants are asked to commit to three tasks: 1) select and read a book, 2) connect 4 times online with teachers and ESPs across Wisconsin in a virtual format, and 3) explore ways you can address institutional racism and advocate for racial justice

Cost to WEAC members is \$8.00 which includes the book of your choice, shipping and handling, and technical access to book club discussions. Non members may participate at a cost of \$60 on a space available basis.

Book Titles and Dates

Book Club will be held on Thursdays starting at 6:30 p.m. Central with the expectation of ending between 7:30-8:00 p.m.

[Between the World and Me](#) by Ta-Nehisi Coates

Meeting Dates: January 25, February 8, 22 and March 8. Registration deadline, Monday, January 15.

[Just Mercy](#) by Bryan Stevenson

Meeting Dates: March 22, April 5, 19 and May 3. Registration deadline Monday, March 12.

[The New Jim Crow](#) by Michelle Alexander

June 14, 28, July 12, 26. Registration deadline Monday, June 4.

Registration

The Wisconsin Education Association Council (WEAC) and the WEA Academy are committed to promoting healing and understanding while challenging the systems that perpetuate racism. To register for one of our book study courses please click [here](#) or visit us at www.weaacademy.org

Racism is still with us. But it is up to us to prepare our children for what they have to meet, and, hopefully, we shall overcome. -Rosa Parks

Chauna is a national speaker and restorative schools strategist who has provided training and consultation for a variety school districts and organizations across the country. While the Restorative Practices Coordinator for Milwaukee Public Schools, Chauna led the district in embracing Restorative Practices, creating a K-12 teacher guide and high school elective course, and multiple curriculum. Chauna is a proven expert in the use of Restorative Practices as a tool for creating safe and supportive school communities.



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