

Welcome - We will begin shortly!

Please type in chat: Something you can see out of your window (if you are near one).

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The Lodestar

In order to develop climate consciousness, students, parents, educators, and the community must feel safe, supported, and able to learn and grow together over time in CHUFSD. In order for this to happen, for this assessment of, and response to, the pulse of the lived experiences of district community members, individuals must feel heard and represented, and confident that their story matters.

- Croton-Harmon Equity StakeholderTeam



Focusing on an Equity Lens





Today's Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Review
- 2. Building a Counter Story
- 3. Case Study
- 4. Closing

Community Agreements

- 1. Be Present Cameras on if possible
- 2. Share what you know/Honor privacy
- 3. Speak your truth Use "I" statements
- 4. Call a "Literacy Moment" if you need one
- 5. Opinions may differ Respect is key
- 6. Take space/Make space "1 minute rule"
- 7. Brave Space/Safe Space/Safe Enough Space
- 8. Some of the conversation may bring up discomfort but we are going to get through it together.
- 9. Expect and accept non-closure and productive discomfort

Program Objectives

• To begin to apply the principles and practices of Equity to our classrooms and school culture

Homework Review

Equitable Classroom Practices Observation Checklist

Your Ideal School





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What are the elements of your vision of an ideal school?

- <u>Physical school building/Culture + Climate:</u> Think about EVERY aspect of this school.
 - O What does the physical building look like as a whole?
 - What do individual classrooms contain? What is the technology present? What is the curriculum like?
 - What does the school look, sound, smell, taste, feel like?
 - What is the culture and climate and what structures do you have in place to support them?



- Break into small groups
- You can describe however you like:
 - Jamboard
 - Make lists
 - Add pictures
 - Create the story of this ideal place





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- Jamie is bi-racial and identifies as multicultural.
- Jamie receives subsidized lunch.
- The holiest day on Jamie's religious calendar is not recognized by the school district.
- Jamie has been assessed as having a "high iq".
- Jamie needs glasses and often has difficulty seeing classroom projections.
- One of Jamie's guardians is undocumented and does not speak English.



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- Leslie identifies as White.
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- Leslie's religious celebrations are recognized by the school district.
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