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PLACE Launches New Program for Leaders of Anti-Racist Schools

The UW–Madison School of Education office of Professional Learning and Community Education (PLACE) seeks educators from around the world to join the coalition.

Madison, WI: The office of Professional Learning and Community Education (PLACE) is proud to announce a new program for K-16 educators beginning summer 2021. *The Coalition for Leading Anti-Racist Schools* is an invitation to instructional leaders around the world who are committed to learning, asking questions when they don't know, and engaging in tough, meaningful conversations focused on equity and anti-racism.

Anjalé Welton, a professor in the Department of Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis at UW–Madison, leads the Coalition alongside other UW–Madison experts. Welton and co-author Sarah Diem wrote the book “Anti-Racist Educational Leadership and Policy: Addressing Racism in Public Education,” which articulates a need for “anti-racist educational leaders who are trained and prepared to face the political complexity and uncertainty that will undoubtedly occur when they advance racial equity in their district and school communities” (page 2).

Although teachers and school leaders are often engaged in the work of leading anti-racist school communities, they do not always have intra- or inter-organizational thought partners nor the platform to amplify their efforts. School leaders need help building anti-racist schools. Join UW–Madison experts for this inter-district coalition where participants will examine what it means to be anti-racist in the domains of education policy, instructional practice, and curricula.



This program responds to the need for:

- More equitable and anti-racist educational settings
- A common language and lens for what anti-racist teaching and leading look like and how we cultivate climates conducive to this ongoing work
- K-16 leaders and teachers to have intra-organizational momentum in developing new (or deepening existing) equity action plans and for activating these plans
- Inter-organizational networking, accountability, and coalition
- Communication with the public about what schools are doing to become more anti-racist

When: July 26–29, 2021, 9:00–noon Central Time, plus 2021–22 school year meetings from 4:30–7:30 p.m. on September 23, November 18, January 20, February 24, April 14, and a culminating, public celebration on May 19, 2022

Where: Online

Program Fee: Early Bird and Group Rate of \$1,300/person available until May 1, 2021
Standard Rate of \$1,500/person afterward

About PLACE: The office of [Professional Learning and Community Education \(PLACE\)](#) draws on the best ideas and people in the UW–Madison School of Education to provide transformational learning experiences for artists, educators, leaders, and lifelong learners around the world.