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The Office News

The Office of Education Solutions (OES)



OFFICE OF EDUCATION SOLUTIONS FUND

Please Consider a Holiday Donation
by OES staff

This holiday season please consider giving to the Office of Education Solutions Program Fund which supports the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion vision of the Metro State of Denver School of Education. The Office of Education Solutions works with schools and educational agencies in addressing and seeking solutions in teaching, curriculum, equity, and other persistent opportunities in PreK-12 educational settings in the community, nation, and world.

<https://engage.msudenver.edu/giving/edu09>

SPENCER GRANT SUPPORTS TRAUMA-INFORMED PRACTICES (TIP) RESEARCH

by Dr Kathryn Young

We want to share a little about the research arm of the TIP program headed by Dr. Schepers and Dr. Young. In one study, pre-service teachers are surveyed three times a year to see how their TIP knowledge correlates with a reduction in secondary traumatic stress and recently wrote [a paper on early findings](#). Additionally, Dr. Schepers, Dr. Young and Dr. Brennan from Resilient Futures received a Spencer Research-Practice Partnership Grant that began in Fall 2021. The focus of the Spencer study is similar to the one above but focuses on novice teachers in years 1-3 of teaching.



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Happy Holidays!

All of us in the Office of Education Solutions wish you and your families a healthy and safe holiday time. During this season, we take time to reflect upon the good things we have...like our partnership with you. We appreciate working with you and hope that the holidays and the coming year will bring you happiness and success.

The Office Highlights

Office of Education
Solutions Fund

Spencer Grant Supports
TIP Research

Tapping into the Power
of our Students

Save the Date
Trauma-Informed
Practices

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OES CONFERENCE - TAPPING INTO THE POWER OF OUR STUDENTS

by Christine Muldoon, EdD

Our first Office of Education Solutions Conference, "Tapping into the Power of our Students," will be on February 25 from 8:00-3:00 in the Tivoli Student Center on Auraria Campus in the Turnhalle room. Our diverse students bring with them assets in the form of language, culture, and experiences. It is our students' rich backgrounds that make them amazing teacher leaders in our schools.

The audience for Conference is Metropolitan State University staff and faculty, community/district partners, and board members.

www.tinyurl.com/Power-conference

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

WADE DAVIS - FORMER NFL PLAYER, THOUGHT LEADER, PUBLIC SPEAKER, AND WRITER ON GENDER, RACE, AND ORIENTATION EQUALITY.



Wade is currently the Vice President of Inclusion Strategy for Product at Netflix and has consulted with Google, MTV/VH1, 21st Century Fox, AppNexus and others to co-create transformative

solutions to build inclusive corporate cultures.

Additionally, Wade has coached senior leaders to adapt and flex their leadership styles to meet the needs and develop their employee population.

MICHAEL JENNINGS - PROGRAM MANAGER FOR INCLUSION STRATEGY AT NETFLIX



Michael has ten years of experience working with underrepresented groups, coaching and counseling in diversity and inclusion and implementing programs within organizations.

REBECCA COVARRUBIAS - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY AT UC DAVIS



Dr. Covarrubias is a social and cultural psychologist. She examines the importance of reflecting the cultural strengths and practices of students from diverse backgrounds in educational settings as a way to foster inclusion and equity.

CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

We invite you to submit a proposal to present at our conference. Sessions will be between 9:30 am -12:30 pm.

We are looking for presentations showing the assets of a diverse teaching and K-12 student body. Some ideas for presentations would be around diversifying the teacher workforce, using language as an asset, and strategies for diverse K-12 students (i.e., TIP, cultural responsiveness, emerging bilingual strategies and bilingualism).

www.tinyurl.com/OES-call-for-presentations

SAVE the DATE - Trauma-Informed Practices (TIP)

2022 Thursday Night Virtual Classes 5:00-7:30

TIP Part 1: How Trauma and Stress Impact Learning
February 10 and March 3

TIP Part 2: Cultural Humility
February 17 and March 17

Tip Part 3: Social Emotional Learning and Resilience
April 7

TIP Part 4: Empowerment and Safety - April 21

2022 Weekend In-person Classes 9:00-2:30

Parts 1 and 2: March 12

Parts 3 and 4: April 23

Please check our Website for registration links:
www.msudenver.edu/TIP