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BranchED Bulletin

June 23, 2021



President Biden signs legislation making Juneteenth a national holiday

On Thursday, June 17th, 2021 at 3:30 PM Eastern Time, President Joe Biden signed a bill establishing Juneteenth (June 19th), the date marking the end of slavery in the United States, as a federal holiday. The **Juneteenth National Independence Day** will become the 12th legal public holiday, and the first new one since **Martin Luther King Jr. Day** was signed into law in 1983 by then-President Ronald Reagan.

Read BranchED President, Dr. Cassandra Herring's latest article published in EdSurge!

Students Benefit When Teachers Show Up With Curiosity, Not Assumptions

In this article, Dr. Herring states that educator programs ought to prepare new teacher candidates to leave their comfort zones to be more effective and successful with diverse students.



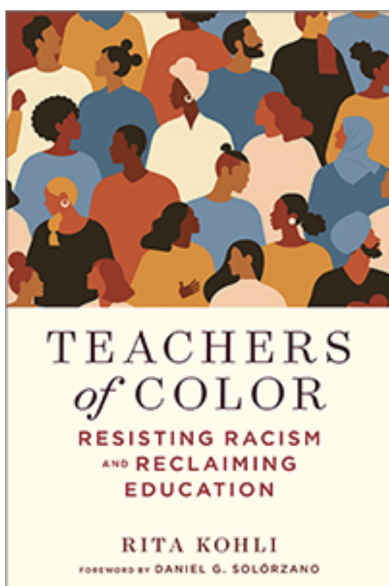
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Dr. Maria del Carmen Salazar; Professor of Curriculum and Instruction and Teacher Education in the Morgridge College of Education at the University of Denver; **Dr. Ereka Williams**, Associate Dean of Education, Quality Assurance and Community Engagement at Winston Salem State University; and **Dr. Sasha Rabkin**, Partnership Director at EOS guide participants through an engaging conversation on the reconceptualization of assessments.

New Book Offers Recommendations on Rebuilding Teachers of Color Pipeline



Harvard Education Press describes the June 2021-released, 200-page book, ***Teachers of Color: Resisting***



Teachers of Color author **Dr. Rita Kohli** is an associate professor in the Education, Society and Culture Program of the Graduate School of Education at the University of California Riverside and serves on BranchED's Advisory Council. She has a Ph.D. in Education with an emphasis

Racism and Reclaiming Education, as, "Explaining how racism serves as a continuous barrier against diversifying the teaching force and offering tools to support educators who identify as Black, Indigenous, or people of Color on both a systemic and interpersonal level."

on Race and Ethnic Studies from the University of California, Los Angeles. As an Oakland Unified School District teacher, teacher educator, and educational researcher, Kohli has spent 20 years in urban public schools across the country.



BranchED Seeks Your Input to Develop Programming that Best Serves You

BranchED is planning for the next academic year (2021-2022). In doing so, our plan is to provide a variety of learning opportunities that address your interests

and curiosities. How do you envision the future of education and teacher preparation? What resources can BranchED provide that would help you make the vision a reality? BranchED needs your input to ensure programming that serves you. We would greatly appreciate your taking a few moments to complete this anonymous **BRIEF SURVEY** before close of business **Wednesday, June 30, 2021**.

Thank you in advance for helping us to serve you better!

Dr. Jerrell Hill: Reopening of Schools: How Does Diversity Equity and Inclusion Show Up?

[READ] Dr. Hill's, Dean, School of Education, Pacific Oaks College, guest opinion in *Pasadena Now*.



Developing Beneficial Partnerships Is Key -- *Registration for the Final Webinar of the Nuts & Bolts Series Ends Soon!*

Partnerships between higher education institutions and school districts are a very important part of the success of educator preparation programs (EPPs) and their teacher candidates. BranchED has pulled together the experts in the field who can discuss how to develop partnerships in a way that creates the best benefits for both the institution and the district. Our expert panelists include (above L to R) [Dr. Cynthia Teniente-Matson](#), President of Texas A&M University-San Antonio; [Dr. Carl Sherperis](#), Dean of the College of Education and Human Development at Texas A&M University-San Antonio; and [Dr. Eduardo Hernandez](#), Edgewood Independent School District Superintendent.

What: [Reconceptualizing the Future of PARTNERSHIPS](#)

When: **Noon – 1 p.m. CT, Wednesday, July 14, 2021**

Format: **Virtual**

[REGISTER NOW!](#) *(Registration deadline is Friday, July 9)*

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