



Furthering Diversity in K-12 Schools Through Student Assignment

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8:30-9:00am Check in Chapel Area, First Floor

9:00-10:15am **Overview and Framing Panel** (Location: McDonough 207)

- What's the state of segregation?
- Why does school segregation matter?
- What is the current legal and political context around diversity efforts?
What's the role for various stakeholders to support K-12 diversity?
- Welcome: Sheryll Cashin, *Georgetown Law/PRRAC*; Greg Kelly, *Penn State University*
- Moderator: Erica Frankenberg, *Penn State University*; Panelists: Monique Lin-Luse, *NAACP Legal Defense Fund*; Tanya Clay House, *ClayHouse Consulting Inc.*; Iman Abdul, *IntegrateNYC4me*

10:15am Break

10:30-11:45am **Technical Aspects of Designing Integrated Schools and Districts**
(Location: McDonough 207)

- How do you create diverse schools and school systems?
- What do we know about what school districts are doing?
- How do you define diversity?
- What tools/resources are available to help schools & districts?
- How can choice be used to further integration?
- Moderator: Maree Sneed, *Hogan Lovells*; Panelists: Kendra Taylor & Jeremy Anderson, *Penn State University*; Len Stevens; Barbara Dempsey, *Jefferson County Public Schools*; Shaheena Simons, *U.S. Department of Justice*

11:45-12:45pm Lunch & Discussion about Cross-Sector Efforts to Further Diversity

Pick up lunches from Chapel Area, First Floor and return to McDonough 207

- How do education policies focused on integration intersect with housing? Transportation?
- Panelists: Phil Tegeler, *PRRAC*; Ariel Bierbaum, *University of Maryland*

1:00-2:15pm Breakout sessions

Magnet Schools (Location: McDonough 109)

- Facilitators: Jennifer Ayscue, *Civil Rights Project* & John Laughner, *Magnet Schools of America*

Charter Schools (Location: McDonough 140)

- Facilitator: Amy Hawn Nelson, *UNC-Charlotte*

Between-District (Location: McDonough 110)

- Facilitator: Jeff Crane, *West Irondequoit Central School District (New York)*

2:15pm Break

2:30-3:45pm Political Aspects of Integration (Location: McDonough 207)

- How do you educate the community about the benefits of integration and the need for a student assignment policy that considers diversity?
- How does student assignment policy fit as part of a comprehensive district effort towards integration?
- How do you sustain commitment to diversity?
- How do you measure and define the effectiveness of diversity policies?
- Panelists: Kimberly Bridges, *Harvard Graduate School of Education*; Arlen Benjamin-Gomez, *Columbia University*; John Brittain, *University of DC Law School*; Dennis Parker, *ACLU*

3:45-4:30pm Moving Forward with Integration Efforts (Location: McDonough 207)

- What's next for attendees in continuing diversity efforts?
- What resources and/or support are needed for continuing this work?
- How can the Center for Education and Civil Rights, National Coalition for School Diversity, and other partners support this work?
- Facilitators: Liliana Garces, *Penn State University* & Tanya Clay House, *ClayHouse Consulting Inc.*