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The Notepad includes events, resources, and news to help you become the best education equity leader you can be. Ready to jot down some valuable tips and resources?

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UPCOMING EVENTS



2023 National Family Engagement Summit

NAFSCE, October 9-10 & October 11-13

The National Association for Family, School, and Community Engagement (NAFSCE) is hosting the [2023 National Family Engagement Summit](#) virtually (Oct 9-10) AND in-person in Kansas City, MO (Oct 11-13). Join educators, administrators, community leaders, and parents from across the country to explore innovative strategies, share insights, and collaborate on ways to foster meaningful family involvement in schools.

Register before July 15 to take advantage of a special discount available exclusively for those who utilize their Title 1 funding!



CEE Office Hours

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Are you seeking guidance on overcoming challenges related to educational equity?

Join CEE's Office Hours this Thursday, July 13, 12-1 pm, to connect with our team of experts to address your problems of practice. Whether you're grappling with issues like teacher retention, starting a GSA at your school, or engaging families of multilingual learners, we're here to provide tailored support and actionable solutions.

[Submit your questions](#), and let's tackle these challenges together.

Register for the July 13 Office Hours

RESOURCES



How to Teach Culturally Responsive Social Studies When Everything Is Controversial

School may be out for summer, but learning and teaching about the experiences and histories of diverse populations is important in every season. [MAEC's webinar](#) focuses on how social studies teachers can embed culturally responsive teaching practices into their curriculum.



Managing Mental Wellness: Tools for Yourself, Your Students, and Your Classroom

Searching for strategies to take care of yourself over the summer? Take a peek into MAEC's [mental wellness guide for educators](#). And remember - self-care is not a race. Keep adding tools to your toolbox at a comfortable pace, and do what works for you.



Creating Inclusive and Nondiscriminatory School Environments for LGBTQI+ Students

The U.S. Department of Education recently published a [resource for educators to support LGBTQI+ students and families at school](#). This guide highlights examples of policies and practices to create safe environments, as well as federal resources that schools, students, and parents may find helpful in working to ensure that all students are free to learn in an educational environment without harassment or other discrimination.

IN THE NEWS



Scores decline again for 13-year-old students in reading and mathematics (NAEP)

The National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) administered the NAEP long-term trend reading and mathematics assessments to 13-year-old students from October to December of the 2022–23 school year. The [average scores for 13-year-olds declined](#) 4 points in reading and 9 points in mathematics compared to the previous assessment administered during the 2019–20 school year.

Alabama doesn't want early childhood teachers talking about bias. Researchers say they need to (The Hechinger Report)

[Excerpt from the article](#): "In 2005, Yale researchers released a study that changed perceptions of school discipline in early grades. Not only were preschoolers in public programs being expelled at more than three times the rate of older K-12 students, but discipline was starkly divided by race: Black preschoolers were twice as likely to be kicked out as white children. In child care programs, the numbers were even higher."

Gifted Summer Programs Skew White & Wealthy. Not Baltimore's — And It's Free (The 74)

With national focus on using summer learning to recoup pandemic losses, [Baltimore Emerging Scholars](#), a six-week gifted and talented program, is among the no-cost offerings in the Charm City. The camp provides high-level content in science, math and literacy to rising 1st through 6th graders.



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