

NEWSLETTER

Fairfield Equity Coalition's Weekly Newsletter



Fairfield Equity Coalition is a youth-led organization taking local action to reimagine Fairfield's definition of what constitutes a comprehensive education. Our goal is to push for equitable policy and curriculum changes within Fairfield Public Schools while raising awareness on injustices against marginalized populations within our community.

Welcome to our **twenty-third** newsletter! This newsletter seeks to highlight elements of the local Fairfield community, so please reach out with suggested items. Thank you for keeping up with our coalition!

COALITION UPDATE

This week, we are excited to announce that our presentation has been moved from Tuesday, December 8th, which would have been one item on the Board of Education's regular meeting agenda, to a special session on Wednesday, December 16th. This special session will exclusively focus on the results of our second Teacher and Staff Survey and our larger report on Promoting Anti-Racism and Racial Equity in Fairfield Public Schools. We appreciate the Board of Education's willingness to call a special session so the contents of our report can be given appropriate time and consideration.

After our presentation, the report in its entirety, its summary document, and the data collected by our coalition will be made public on our website and through our networks. Because this presentation is the beginning of a long, community-based effort towards advancing anti-racism in the school district, we encourage everyone to engage with our work. Our presentation will either be shown live on [FairTV](#) or broadcasted the next day (details to come in next week's newsletter). We thank you all in advance for tuning into this conversation and look forward to working with the Fairfield community!

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

- Tuesday, December 8th at 6:30 PM via Zoom: "Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools " free film screening and discussion hosted by the [Stamford Restorative Justice Project](#) and [Ferguson Library](#). Separate registration required for both film showing and discussion. Details [here](#),
- Thursday, December 10th, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM at 63 Huntington St. New London: "Lawyers in Libraries Program" free legal advice event hosted by the [Public Library of New London](#). Visit for a twenty-minute free session with attorneys to ask questions concerning immigration and family law, consumer rights, personal injury, tenant rights, and other legal matters. By appointment only. Details [here](#).

ACTION ITEM *a way to make a difference today*

As an organization that strives to promote and embody anti-racism in our daily lives, we try to highlight the many different ways any one person can engage with anti-racist principles, articles, and other learning materials. [Anti-Racism Daily](#) is a daily newsletter, edited by Nicole Cardoza, that "offers an overview on current events that app[lies] an anti-racism lens. Learn how practices embedded in our politics, criminal justice system, and workplaces enforce systemic oppression, and what you can do about it." This newsletter is a great complement to our own and can help its readers engage in this important work on a regular basis. Sign up today and donate if you can!

THIS WEEK WE'RE...

Reading "[COVID-19 & Remote Learning: How to Make It Work](#)" by [Mark Lieberman](#) for [Education Week](#). This multi-part article includes various brief professional development modules, videos, and articles on the many ways in which to make the most out of a distance or hybrid learning model. As the first half of FPS's hybrid school year comes to a close, it is important to remember that these changes to school instruction, while necessary, are not without cost. We hope these suggestions can provide faculty, staff, parents, and students different ways to reinvigorate the hybrid model.

GET INVOLVED

We are always seeking new members and leaders! If you are a current student or alumni of FPS and are interested in further involvement, please [fill out this survey](#). If you are a teacher, administrator, parent, or Fairfield resident, please email us at fairfeldequitycoalition@gmail.com to get involved.

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