

ORCSD DEIJ Vision. Work Statement, and Intentions

Adopted by the DEIJ Committee on Dec. 13, 2021

- **OUR VISION** of the Oyster River Cooperative School District's Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Justice (DEIJ) Group is to create and sustain a school community that acknowledges, integrates, and honors a diversity of histories, identities, and lived experiences.
- OUR WORK centers the concepts of anti-racism, equity, and justice within the K-12 educational
 experience and shapes compassionate and humanizing policies, practices, and procedures within our
 school systems and culture.
- OUR INTENTIONS:
 - Recognize and acknowledge the historical centering of dominant histories, lives, and experiences in our school district's culture and curricula;
 - Dismantle discriminatory systems and policies and establish ones that are equitable and inclusive;
 - Disrupt instances of interpersonal discrimination and work to repair relationships among consenting parties;
 - Prioritize the development and support of all faculty, staff, and administration in gaining the skills necessary for engaging in and sustaining this work;
 - Communicate, collaborate, learn, and grow with the wider community around this work;
 - Develop ongoing assessment, evaluation, and reflection tools that support us to maintain our vision, mission, and goals.

Learning Community Group Agreements

- We will be functioning the group around these core agreements listed below. This list can grow and/or be updated as needed.
- If you notice yourself feeling defensive... noting this as discomfort and encouraging self to be curious.
- Accept non-closure
- Foster a culture of learning together
- Interrogate our own authority
- Accept a space where we notice our blind spots
- Bring vulnerability
- Be choosey with reply all

AGENDA – May 2 nd , 6-7:30pm HS Library	Time	Notes
Welcome / Check-In & Food Dinner will include vegan/vegetarian/gluten- free options	6pm-6:30pm	DEIJ Coordinator (*Steering Committee can add as needed)
 CHECK-IN QUESTION What book/podcast/tv show have you gotten lost in lately? 		

SUBGROUP WORK TIME	6:30pm-7:10pm	DEIJ Coordinator
Action #1: Creating more opportunities to engage in difficult dialogue and conversations (training, practicing & building safe spaces)		
Action # 2&3: Hosting more community events; share & collaborate with DEIJ Community groups		
Action #4: Recruit more interest in the DEIJ group and influencing more people to participate in opportunities dedicated to this work **Subgroup #5 members will join other groups of interest		
Subgroup #1 Action Item Notes		
Subgroup #2 Action Item Notes		
Subgroup #3 Action Item Notes		
Subgroup #4 Action Item Notes		
Looking to next year		
- Creating a timeline or outline of ideas		
 Strategies to recruit students Community forums? Community 		
learning opportunities?		
- Who can we collaborate with and pull		
in to help support?		
SUBGROUP REPORT OUT	7:10pm-7:30pm	
CLOSING REMINDERS		
Last Meeting will by Tuesday, June 6 th		
NH Listens Facilitator Training will take place on Tuesday, May 16 th		