Supporting Students Through the End of the Semester

Inclusive Community of Practice (ICoP)

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Guest Speaker: Kate Ellsworth, Director of Education Initiatives for the Center for Resilience & Well-being in Schools (Institute of Behavioral Science)
Invitation to Brave Space
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Together we will create brave space
Because there is no such thing as a “safe space”
We exist in the real world
We all carry scars and we have all caused wounds.
In this space
We seek to turn down the volume of the outside world,
We amplify voices that fight to be heard elsewhere,
We call each other to more truth and love
We have the right to start somewhere and continue to grow.
We have the responsibility to examine what we think we know,
We will not be perfect.
This space will not be perfect.
It will not always be what we wish it to be
but
It will be our brave space together,
and
We will work on it side by side
Agenda

1. Opening exercise with Kate

2. Fast chats (partner share for five minutes)

3. Overview of trauma-informed support

4. Breakout rooms (small groups for 10-12 minutes)

5. Closing visioning reflection exercise

6. Q & A (1-1:15pm)
Moving forward

Transformation doesn’t happen in a linear way... it happens in cycles, convergences and explosions.

Humans, especially humans who persist in trying to transform the conditions of life, are remarkably resilient. One core practice of resilience is transformative justice, transforming the conditions that make injustice possible.

One place to turn to with transformative justice lens is our shared vision. Transformative justice, in the context of emergent strategy, asks us to consider how to transform toxic energy, hurt, legitimate pain and conflict into solutions.

~Adrienne Marie Brown, “Emergent Strategy”
Moving forward

Were there things in this year that I learned about myself, about movements for justice, about remote learning, about how I want to be?

What am I letting go of and what lessons do I want to carry forward?

Where do I feel like I want to grow my power or dignity in this moment?

~Adrienne Marie Brown, “Irresistable (fka Healing Justice Podcast), New Year’s Practice