

# Cultural Proficiency: Professional Resources

## **Courageous Conversations About Race: A Field Guide to Achieving Equity in Schools**

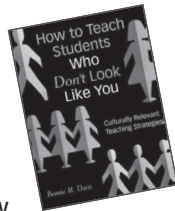


*Glenn Singleton*

Examining the achievement gap through the prism of race, this comprehensive text explains the need for candid, courageous conversations about race so that educators may understand why performance inequity persists, and learn how they can develop a curriculum that promotes true academic parity. To help guide policy analysis and instructional reform, the authors present a systemwide plan for transforming schools and districts. Reference # LC 213.2 .S58 2006

## **How to Teach Students Who Don't Look Like You: Culturally Relevant Teaching Strategies**

*Bonnie Davis*



Using this practical handbook, you will learn: How to first recognize one's own culture to understand needs of diverse learners; How to examine racism and its impact; Strategies for establishing a school climate for teaching diverse learners

Research-based instructional strategies to implement across the disciplines. Using her expertise and success in training hundreds of teachers, Bonnie Davis created this interactive workbook to help new and experienced teachers find better ways of teaching their students.

Reference # LC 1099.3 .D395 2006

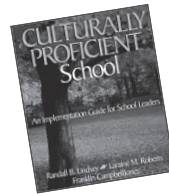
## **Culturally Responsive Teaching: Theory, Research and Practice**

*Geneva Gay*

In this book, Geneva combines insights from multicultural education theory, research and classroom practice to demonstrate that African, Asian, Latino and Native American students will perform better, on multiple measures of achievement, when teaching is filtered through their own cultural experiences and frames of reference.

## **The Culturally Proficient School: An implementation Guide for School Leaders**

*Randall Lindsey, Loraine  
Roberts, Franklin Campbell  
Jones*



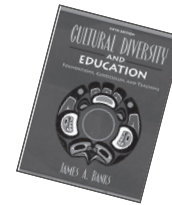
Leaders need to be responsive to different ethnic, linguistic, and religious subcultures or they will place many students at risk of being excluded from the benefits of a high-quality education. By valuing diversity and preserving the cultural dignity of students, cultural proficiency enables educators to create an inclusive and instructionally powerful learning environment. Reference # LC 1099.3 .L557 2005

## **Culturally Proficient Coaching: Supporting Educators to Create Equitable Schools**

*Delores Lindsey*

This interactive resource features: Action-planning worksheets, reflective questions, coaching maps and conversation vignettes, and

real-life examples through a composite case story. Reference # LC 1099.3 .L55 2007



## **Cultural Diversity and Education: Foundations, Curriculum, and Teaching**

*James Banks*

This textbook gives students a strong background in the conceptual, theoretical, and philosophical issues in multicultural education. It is designed to help pre-service and in-service educators clarify the philosophical and definitional issues related to pluralistic education, derive a philosophical position, design and implement effective teaching strategies that reflect ethnic and cultural diversity. LC 3731 .B365 2005

## Audio Visuals

### **Closing the Achievement Gap**

You CAN close the achievement gap! In this 15-minute videotape, you'll explore ideas and strategies on way to integrate theory, research and evidence with current reform proposals. These ideas are presented in the book "Closing the Achievement Gap: A vision for changing beliefs and practices, 2nd edition



This program is part of a video series designed for teachers and administrators who want to see firsthand the effective practices. Reference #- R 6.478- video.

### **Our Kids: English Language Learners in your Classroom**

Welcoming students from diverse backgrounds

to your district, school and classroom can be a wonderful and enriching experience. By providing a welcoming educational environment you can help new students achieve learning goals, become better speakers and for many, adapt to a new culture. Whether your a classroom teach or a school administrator, this program takes you through the requirements, expectations and strategies with English language learner. Reference # R 7.26- dvd.

### **Race: The Power of an Illusion**

This video challenges one of our most fundamental beliefs: that human beings come divided into a few distinct groups. This definitive three-part series is an eye-opening tale of how what we assume to be normal, commonsense, even scientific, is actually shaped by our history, social institutions and cultural beliefs. Reference # R 6.480a- video.

### **Freedom Writers**

*Randy Snook*

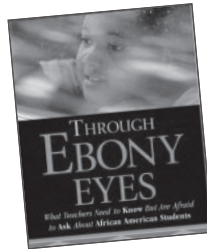
Freedom Writers is inspired by a true story and the diaries of real Long Beach teenagers after the LA riots, during the worst outbreak of interracial gang warfare. Two-time Academy Award® winner Hilary Swank stars as Erin Gruwell, whose passion to become a teacher is soon challenged by a group of Black, Latino, and Asian gangbangers who hate her even more than each other. For the first time, these teens experience a hope that maybe, they might show the world that their lives matter and they have something to say. Reference # R 7.30 video.



## Children's Books

### Through Ebony Eyes *Gail Thompson*

In this book, the author takes on the volatile topic of the role of race in education and explores the black-white achievement gap and the cultural divide that exists between some teachers and African American students. Solidly based on research conducted with 175 educators, the book provides information and strategies that will help teacher increase their effectiveness with African American students. Written in conversational language, it offers a wealth of examples and personal stories that clearly demonstrate the cultural differences that exist in the schools and offers a three-part, long-term professional development plan that will help teachers become more effective.  
Reference # LC 2771 .T56



### Too Many Tamales

*Gary Soto, Ed Martinez*

Maria tries on her mother's wedding ring while helping make tamales for a Christmas get-together. Panic ensues when hours later, she realizes the ring is missing.  
Reference # PZ 7 .S7242



### Zinnia: How the Corn was Saved *Patricia Powell, Kendrick Benally, Peter Thomas*

When the Navajo's crops fail yet again, the boy

Red Bird is sent to ask Spider Woman for her help. Red Bird's quest to save his people will serve as an inspiration to all readers with responsibilities that sometimes seem impossible to fulfill.



### Salt in His Shoes

*Deloris Jordan, Roslyn Jordan, Kadir Nelson*

Deloris Jordan, mother of the basketball phenomenon, teams up with his sister Roslyn to tell this heart-warming and inspirational story that only the members of the Jordan family could tell. It's a tale about faith and hope and how any family working together can help a child make his or her dreams come true.  
Reference #PZ7.J76825



## Midwest Center Library

**These are just a few of the resources available in the Midwest Equity Assistance Center Library.**

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