



# **2024-2025 Calendar of Events**

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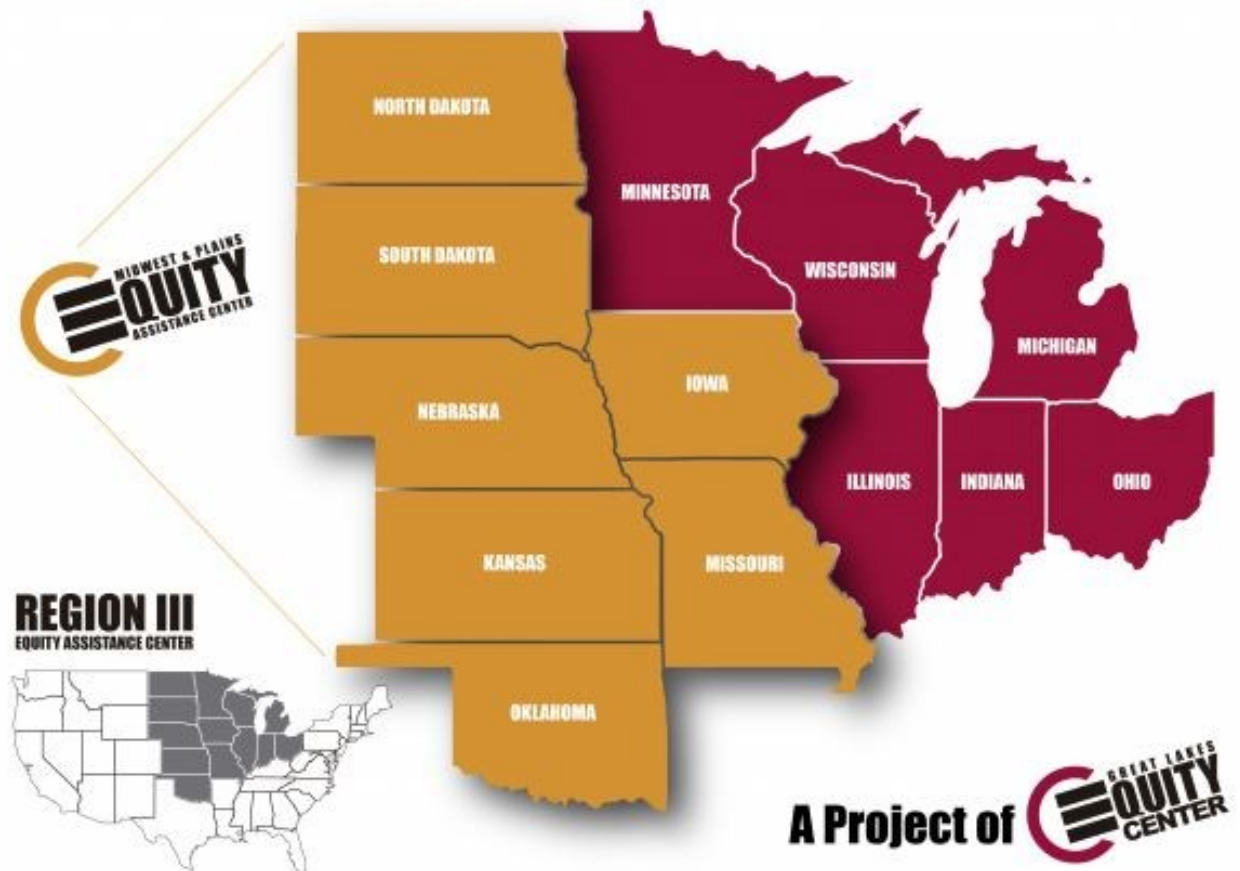
## Introduction to the Midwest & Plains (MAP) Equity Assistance Center

At the [Midwest & Plains \(MAP\) Equity Assistance Center](#), a project of the Great Lakes Equity Center at Indiana University Indianapolis, we are committed to school and system transformation toward racial, disability, and other forms of educational justice. The MAP Center provides three tiers of technical assistance related to race, sex, national origin, and religion desegregation, at the intersection of disability and socioeconomic status, to K-12 public education agencies in a 13-state region free of charge.

### *A Note about Accessibility*

All Center publications on our website are screen reader-friendly and alt text is used whenever possible in all our materials. At our live events, we can provide ASL or CART, foreign language interpretation and audio amplification upon request. All virtual event recordings are accompanied by downloadable transcriptions. For on-site events, we ensure that event locations are wheelchair accessible. For additional accommodation requests or accessibility questions for events, please contact the Center at (317) 278-3493 or email at [glec@iu.edu](mailto:glec@iu.edu)

**Click the image below to learn more about who we are!**





## Universally-Accessible Professional Learning Events

Tier I events are universally-accessible and available for stakeholders across district and state boundaries, supporting peer-to-peer mentoring. These events offer opportunities to share information quickly across individuals focused on similar problems of practice, providing a space for discussions around education policies, and their impact upon the students we serve.

### Community Alliances for Equity

**Audience:** Community Members, Parents/Caregivers, Students, Building Level Educators, Board Members

**Description:** Community Alliances for Equity are various equity engagement network formats all aimed at collectively centering the expertise and assets of community members, classroom teachers, and parents/caregivers as central collaboratively supporting school district's equity-driven COVID-19 recovery efforts.

**Title:** Virtual Coffeehouse: Preparing Preservice Teachers to be Equity-Focused Educators

**Date:** October 23, 2024

**Time:** 3:15pm EST | 2:15pm CT | 1:15pm MT

**Title:** How Can I Best Support My High School Child in Accessing Supports for Post-Secondary Education?

**Date:** January 22, 2025

**Time:** 7pm EST | 6pm CT | 5pm MT

[Register Here](#)

**Title:** World Cafe: Students as Leaders for Belonging

**Date:** February 13, 2025

**Time:** 9am EST

[Register Here](#)

**Title:** Virtual Coffeehouse: What Can Equitable Restorative Practices Look Like?

**Date:** May 7, 2025

**Time:** 1pm EST | 12pm CT | 11am MT

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### EquiLearn Meeting the Moment Topic Series

**Audience:** Teachers, Administrators, Support Staff, State Education Agencies, District and Building-level coaches

**Description:** This shared learning and technical assistance professional development series is a collection of 3 hr. live virtual learning opportunities focused on critical topics of the moment in relation to the four desegregation areas addressed by the Equity Center. Participants will be engaged in interactive shared learning experiences with a collaborative action planning component.

**Title:** Supporting High-Achieving Students of Color in Predominantly White Spaces

**Date:** December 5, 2024

**Time:** 1pmEST | 12pmCT | 11amMT

**Title:** Social Media, Girls' Mental Health, Teaching, and Learning

**Date:** March 12, 2025

**Time:** 1pm EST | 12pm CT | 11am MT

[Register Here](#)

**Title:** How Model Minority Myths Hurt Asian Students and Mask Anti-Asian Discrimination

**Date:** June 12, 2025

**Time:** 1pm EST | 12pm CT | 11am MT

[Register Here](#)

**Title:** Religion in Public Schools: Distinguishing "teaching religion" from "teaching about religion"

**Date:** August 28, 2025

**Time:** 1pm EST | 12pm CT | 11am MT

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### Partners in Practice Technical Assistance Collaboratives

**Audience:** Classroom and Building Level Educators, Parents/Caregivers, SEA, Education Service Centers

**Description:** Partners in Practice TA Collaboratives are virtual equity network learning convenings that bring together past and present K-12 partners to plan and deliver practical strategies responsive to urgent equity practice issues.

**Title:** Centering Equity in Career and Technology Education Programs

**Date:** December 11, 2024

**Time:** 1pm EST | 12pm CT | 11am MT



### Learning Academy

**Audience:** Teacher Leaders, Administrators, Support Staff, State Education Agencies, District and Building-level coaches, State Agency and District Leadership, Building Level Leadership, Teacher Leaders

**Description:** Learning Academies are one to three full day professional learning and networking experiences to increase participants' awareness around issues of (in)equity, and build their capacity to center equity in their policies and practices.

**Title:** Centering Equity in Curriculum and Instruction Planning

**Session I:** November 6, 2024

⇒ **Time:** 10am EST | 9am CT | 8am MT

**Session II:** January 23, 2025

⇒ **Time:** 1pm EST | 12pm CST | 11am MT

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### Equity Leaders Institute

**Audience:** This event is open to individuals from school boards, state municipalities, school districts, or other governmental units legally responsible for operating a public school or schools, or from a federally funded technical assistance and dissemination center.

**Description:** Equity Leaders Institutes provide opportunities for education practitioners to engage in two full days of intensive collegial study, discussion, and custom planning related to leadership practices for the advancement of educational equity in local settings. Further details will be provided as registration for the event nears.

**Date:** September 29-October 1, 2025

**Times:**

- **Monday** - 1pm - 5pm EST
- **Tuesday** - 9am - 5pm EST
- **Wednesday** - 9am -12pm EST

*Application Coming Soon!*





## Professional Learning Networks

Professional learning networks bring together role-alike stakeholders across district and state boundaries, support peer-to-peer mentoring, and offer opportunities to share information quickly across individuals focused on similar problems of practice.

### Practitioner Learning Network

**Audience:** State Agency Stakeholders, District Leaders, Building and Classroom Educators, Community Members, Parents/ Caregivers

**Description:** The Practitioner Learning Network (PLN) is an intentional learning community that provides shared learning and networking opportunities for members related to a common topic of interest or shared goals. The Center offers opportunities for cohort members to participate in two virtual, live shared professional learning and networking experiences, as well as e-resources, and access to individualized technical assistance by request.

#### **Title: Equity-Centered Policy Construction and Analysis Workshop - Cohort 1**

- **Session 1:** Overview and Equity-Centered Policy Construction and Analysis Workshop Orientation (all times are in EST):  
11/12/24 1:30 PM – 2:45 PM EST
- **Session 2:** Critical Consciousness and Policy Development  
12/03/24 1:30 PM – 2:45 PM EST
- **Session 3:** The Policy Process and Analysis  
12/17/24 1:30 PM – 2:45 PM EST
- **Session 4:** Student Voice in Policy Development  
01/14/25 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM EST

#### **Title: Defining Safe and Inclusive Schools: Bullying, Harassment, and Discrimination - Cohort 2**

- **Session 1:** Overview and *Defining Safe and Inclusive Schools: Bullying, Harassment, and Discrimination* Workshop Orientation

Intro professional learning experience led by MAP Center Team to introduce framework for future sessions.

2/12/25 3:30 PM – 4:45 PM EST

- **Session 2:** MAP Center Modeling Session  
03/20/25 3:30 PM – 4:45 PM EST
- **Session 3:** Network Team Lead Session  
04/17/25 3:30 PM – 4:45 PM EST
- **Session 4:** Network Team Lead Session  
04/29/25 3:30 PM – 4:45 PM EST

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### TA Centers Advisory Networks Regional Convening

**Audience:** State Agency and District Leadership, Building Level Leadership, Teacher Leaders, Community Members, Parents/Caregivers, School Board Members, Technical Assistance Providers

**Description:** During this convening, MAP Center staff will collaborate with representatives of TA&D Centers from the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Office of Special Education Programs to discuss strategic approaches to systems intervention to support students with disabilities at the intersections of race, sex, national origin, and religion.

**Date:** May 23, 2025

**Time:** 1pm EST | 12pm CT | 11am MT

[Register Here](#)



## Professional Learning Events for Systemic Partners

Partners at Tier II & III levels can engage with MAP Center leadership for their organization's systemic transformation toward educational equity. This includes ***elective learning opportunities for all partners*** and ***requisite learning opportunities for partners with signed MOUs with the Center***. Service provision can take many forms in its approach and learning modalities; the MAP Center consistently provides a customized technical assistance team that provides timely, robust, and high-quality assistance as partners lead to realize their equity-oriented goals.

### Systemic Partnership Academies

**Audience:** Teacher Leaders, Administrators, Support Staff, State Education Agencies, District and Building-level coaches, State Agency and District Leadership, Building Level Leadership, Teacher Leaders

**Description:** Systemic Partnership Academies\* are comprised of three full-day professional learning and networking experiences that support partners in examining their organization's equity efforts, discuss practices for analyzing the extent to which equitable practices are currently in place in their system to inform their strategic actions, and finally, support exploring strategies for leveraging internal (personal and organizational) assets to facilitate and sustain equity efforts.

\*Systemic Partnership Academies are for Tier III partners. Please submit a [request for assistance](#) if you are interested in a partnership with the MAP Center.

**Title:** Centering Equity in Professional Development and Capacity Building Planning Partnership Academy Sessions I & II Cohort 2 - Virtual

**Date:** November 13-14, 2024

**Time:** 10am EST | 9am CT | 8am MT

**Title:** Equity-Oriented Strategic Planning Partnership Academy Sessions II & III: Cohort 3 - In Person

**Date:** March 5-6, 2025

**Time:** 9am EST | 8am CT | 7am MT

[Tier III Partner Registration Here](#)

**Title:** Equity-Oriented Strategic Planning Partnership Academy Session I: Cohort 3 - In Person

**Date:** January 9, 2025

**Time:** 9am EST | 8am CT | 7am MT

[Tier III Partner Registration Here](#)

**Title:** Monitoring and Evaluating Equity-Focused Initiatives Partnership Academy Sessions I & II: Cohort 2 - In Person

**Date:** April 10-11, 2025

**Time:** 9am-4:30pm EST

[Tier III Partner Registration Here](#)

**Title:** Centering Equity in Professional Development and Capacity Building Planning Partnership Academy Sessions I & II: Cohort 3 - Virtual

**Date:** August 11-12, 2025 | **Time:** 10am EST | 9am CT | 8am MT

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<b>W</b>	11/6/24	10am EST   9am CT   8am MT	<b>Centering Equity in Curriculum and Instruction Planning: Session1</b>
<b>TU</b>	11/12/24	1:30pm EST   12:30pm CST  11:30am MT	<b>Equity-Centered Policy Construction and Analysis Workshop - Cohort 1</b>
<b>W-TH</b>	11/13/24- 11/14/24	10am EST   9am CT   8am MT	<b>Centering Equity in Professional Development and Capacity Building Planning Partnership Academy Sessions I &amp; II Cohort 2 - Virtual</b>
<b>TH</b>	12/5/24	1pm EST   12pm CST   11am MT	<b>Supporting High Achieving Students of Color in Predominantly White Spaces</b>
<b>W</b>	12/11/24	1pm EST   12pm CST   11am MT	<b>Centering Equity in Career and Technology Education Programs</b>
<b>TH</b>	1/9/25	9am-4:30pm EST	<b>Equity-Oriented Strategic Planning Partnership Academy: Cohort 3 - Session I</b>
<b>W</b>	1/22/25	7pm EST   6pm CST   5pm MT	<b>How Can I Best Support My High School Child in Accessing Supports for Post-Secondary Education?</b>
<b>TH</b>	1/23/25	1pm EST   12pm CST   11am MT	<b>Centering Equity in Curriculum and Instruction Planning: Session 2</b>
<b>W</b>	2/12/25	3:30pm EST   2:30pm CST	<b>Defining Safe and Inclusive Schools: Bullying, Harassment, and Discrimination -</b>



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W-TH	3/5/25-3/6/25	9am-4:30pm EST	<b>Equity-Oriented Strategic Planning Partnership Academy: Cohort 3 - Sessions 2 &amp; 3</b>
W	3/12/25	1pm EST   12pm CST   11am MT	<b>Social Media, Girls' Mental Health, Teaching, and Learning</b>
TH-F	4/10/25-4/11/25	9am-4:30pm EST	<b>Monitoring and Evaluating Equity-Focused Initiatives Partnership Academy: Cohort 2 - Sessions 1 &amp; 2</b>
W	5/7/25	1pm EST   12pm CST   11am MT	<b>Virtual Coffeehouse: What Can Equitable Restorative Practices Look Like?</b>
F	5/23/25	1pm EST   12pm CST   11am MT	<b>TA Centers Advisory Networks Regional Convening</b>
TH	6/12/25	1pm EST   12pm CST   11am MT	<b>How Model Minority Myths Hurt Asian Students and Mask Anti-Asian Discrimination</b>
M-TU	8/11/25-8/12/25	10am EST   9am CST   8am MT	<b>Centering Equity in Professional Development and Capacity Building Planning Partnership Academy: Cohort 3 - Sessions 1 &amp; 2</b>
M-W	9/29/25-10/1/25	12:30pm-12pm EST	<b>Equity Leaders Institute</b>

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