SESSION 1: DISABILITY JUSTICE: A FRAMEWORK FOR PRACTICE AND ORGANIZING

During this session, teachers will engage with principles of Disability Justice, an organizing framework that draws from activists, as well as insights from the field of Disability Studies. These principles and stances trouble taken-for-granted ideas about disability and education. The goal is to learn and reframe the history and practice of disability in schooling and more broadly in the United States.

SESSION 2: DISABILITY JUSTICE AND PEDAGOGY

Continuing work from the previous session, teachers will be introduced to different pedagogical frameworks that align with ideas and principles emerging from disability justice frameworks. We will explore the principle of collective access in particular, as well as how collective access and disability justice can help us understand and practice Universal Design for Learning. The goal is to guide teachers in developing ideological clarity around disability and pedagogy, with implications for our own classrooms.

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