



**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**



TO: Superintendents of Schools, Directors of Curriculum and Instruction, and High School Principals

FROM: Irene E. Parisi, Chief Academic Officer *IEP*

DATE: May 26, 2022

SUBJECT: African American/Black and Puerto Rican/Latino Course of Studies – CSDE/SERC 2022-2023 Training Series

The Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) is pleased to continue its partnership with the State Education Resource Center (SERC) to support the effective implementation of the African American/Black and Puerto Rican/Latino Course of Studies. High school educators, including department and curriculum coordinators, are invited to participate. All sessions are planned to be virtual and at no cost to districts with the exception of release time/substitute coverage. Each cadre will be capped at 50 schools/150 participants to serve the anticipated number of new schools participating. Additional staff from schools currently participating in the 2021-2022 training series will be added, as space permits. As this training is organized as a professional learning community, it is highly recommended that staff from the same school/district register for and attend the same cadre.

Cohort 2	Registration Link	Summer Institute	September Quarterly	December Quarterly	February Quarterly	March Quarterly	June Showcase
Cadre 1	https://serc.info/tngcadre1	June 20-24, 2022 9-3	Sept. 20-21, 2022 9-3	Dec. 1-2, 2022 9-3	Feb. 2-3, 2023 9-3	Mar. 23-24, 2023 9-3	June 2, 2023 Time TBD
Cadre 2	https://serc.info/tngcadre2	July 18-22, 2022 9-3	Sept. 22-23, 2022 9-3	Dec. 6-7, 2022 9-3	Feb. 7-8, 2023 9-3	Mar. 28-29, 2023 9-3	June 2, 2023 Time TBD
Cadre 3	https://serc.info/tngcadre3	Aug. 1-5, 2022 9-3	Sept. 28-29, 2022 9-3	Dec. 8-9, 2022 9-3	Feb. 9-10, 2023 9-3	Mar. 30-31, 2023 9-3	June 2, 2023 Time TBD

Please visit the website at <https://ctserc.org/pa1912> for information regarding the curriculum development process, stakeholder involvement, initial implementation, and most up-to-date materials and learning opportunities.

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