

"What is life? It is the flash of a firefly in the night. It is the breath of a buffalo in the wintertime. It is the little shadow which runs across the grass and loses itself in the sunset." – Crowfoot, Blackfoot warrior and orator

Participant Spotlight



Diandra Jugmohan

Mrs. Diandra Jugmohan is the Co-Director of the Proyecto Access STEP & CSTEP programs at Hostos Community. She has extensive experience in higher education, serving more than 5,000 underrepresented and economically disadvantaged secondary school students and over 1,000 undergraduates pursuing STEM degrees.

In addition to being co-chair of the STEP statewide student research poster conference, the Regional Bronx/Manhattan Student Expo as well as the Hostos Student STEM Research Presentation, she serves as P-CoC Grants Director.

Diandra's passion for students' education equity and social justice led her to be a member of P-CoC. Being a parent of children of color, her values are aligned with the mission and goals of PCoC.

Upcoming Events

Love of Hate - Nov. 16

Support & Advocacy and Education Program committees

Starting with a dual presentation to give context to the role or color in our respective race(s), there will be presentations by students representatives.

Following the keynotes, participants will join in dialogue moderated by an attorney whose practice focuses on domestic abuse and discriminatory issues.

Time and place: 6:45pm – 8:00pm, Tuesday Nov 16. Please Register to attend this event inperson or online.



SAT and ACT support prep

Support & Advocacy and Education Program committees

Collaboration between P-CoC and Hastings-on-Hudson school district to prepare English language learners and self-paced extended learners.

Registration closed. Preparation underway on what community and parents can do to support this program and ELL students in general.



Happy Halloween!



P-CoC at the Trunk or Treat Event hosted by the Hastings-on-Hudson Parks & Recreation Department at the Metro-North commuter lot.



Announcements

College Prep Workshop

Due to the great interest and enthusiastic response, the College Prep Workshop will be scheduled as an annual event each September!

P-CoC Officers meet Hastings **Schools Superintendent**

On Thursday Oct. 21, representatives of P-CoC held a virtual 'meet-and-greet' with Interim Superintendent William McKersie.

P-CoC was able to convey our mission and values, and we learned about Superintendent McKersie's depth of experience in civil rights matters, both in real life in pedagogy.

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P-CoC is a group laser-focused on racial equity for persons of color, supporting ethnicity, cultural expression, fair treatment, and education for all.

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Native American Heritage Month (November)



The indigenous population of the Americas (North, South, Central) likely stems from multiple migrations during and after the last Ice Age. By 1492 the total population is estimated to have been 50 to 100 million. As of 2021 the 'American Indian and Alaska Native' population in the U.S. is estimated at 6.9 million.

First Nations peoples practiced many different lifestyles in agricultural as well as hunter/gatherer societies. The color map above outlines major territorial ranges.

Notable Native Americans include:

- Geronimo (1829-1909) Leader of the Chiricahua Apache tribe who led the resistance against invaders from Mexico and the U.S. He spent the last decades of his life as a prisoner of war, unable to return to his homeland.
- Pocahontas (c.1595-1617) Of the Pamunkey and born to the chief of the Powhatan, 'Pocahontas' was her nickname. She was spunky and playful, clever and resourceful, necessary traits to survive kidnapping and expatriation.
- Dr. Charles Eastman (1858–1939) Of Santee Dakota, English, and French ancestry, he graduated from Dartmouth and received his MD from Boston University. He was an activist who helped found the Boy Scouts of America.
- Maria Tallchief (1925–2013) A Prima Ballerina with the NY City Ballet, her father was Osage. After retiring from dancing, she and her sister opened the Chicago City Ballet.
- Sequoya (1767-1843) A Cherokee whose creation of a written syllabary improved literacy among his people, helping preserve the language.
- Deb Haaland (1960-) A member of the Pueblo of Laguna, she is one of the first Native American women elected to the U.S. Congress, and currently serves as Secretary of the Interior.

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