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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ALLIANCE for MINORITY AFFAIRS
1545 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 711
Los Angeles, CA 90017-4508

Pre-Registration:
Students: \$25 Adults: \$35
Due by November 12, 2012

We cannot guarantee late registrants a conference t-shirt

Polytechnic School
1030 East California Blvd.
Pasadena, CA 91106

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Head southeast on CA-134 E toward Exit 11
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ACROSS COLORS CONFERENCE

**Celebrating
Diversity
Exploring
Similarities**

Saturday, November 17, 2012

9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

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STUDENT CONFERENCE

(FOR ALL STUDENTS GRADES 7-12)

Join us for an engaging day interacting with your peers to explore issues of identity, culture, power and privilege. The program will include lively group discussion, and interactive activities that get you moving. Through this program, you will have a chance to;

- Explore different dimensions of identity and what they mean to you
- Reflect on diversity issues and how they affect you and your school community
- Identify ways to help your school be more inclusive and supportive environment for diverse students.

This all day workshop is led by student leaders and is designed to create a space that allows you to share your experiences and connect with other students.

Student facilitators will have participated in a training program facilitated by Liz Fernandez (formerly Co-Chair of SDLC) and Tanynya Hekymara (a faculty member of SDLC and Program Associate with the Independent School Alliance).

Come celebrate uniqueness and similarities. Engage in cross-cultural dialogue and explore common bonds for collaboration!

STUDENT REGISTRATION: \$25
Includes lunch and conference t-shirt
Register by November 12th
and be guaranteed a
conference t-shirt

*The Independent School Alliance for Minority Affairs is excited to announce its 13th Across Colors Conference. **Across Colors** is a conference focusing on issues of diversity for all secondary students (grades 7-12), and for all elementary and secondary parents, faculty, staff, administrators, and trustees in all Alliance member schools.*

This year's conference offers participants an opportunity to learn and share ideas and information to enhance personal growth as well as awareness of others—essential tools for effective leadership in a multiracial society.

**Overview
 Student Workshops**

As adults, (faculty, administrators, trustees, parents) it is important to equip our children with the necessary tools to meet the challenges and rewards they will encounter as leaders in a multiracial society. Student workshops are designed to assist in the preparation of this leadership.



Keynote

Mohammed Bilal is a diversity consultant, musician, poet, and an extraordinary writer who educates audiences about some of today's greatest social problems.

ADULT CONFERENCE

(FOR ALL PARENTS, FACULTY, ADMINISTRATORS AND TRUSTEES)

- 12 Steps to Appreciating Diversity**
 Mohammed Bilal, Diversity Consultant, Actor, Musician & Poet. Participants will share in an innovative workshop that will delve deeper into 12 Steps for Appreciating Diversity,
- Unpacking the Gender Suitcase**
 Monique Marshall, and Sandi Crozier both teachers at Wildwood School
 From birth we are influenced by gender messages . Over time, we may accept some and reject others. Come explore the impact that gender messaging has on each of us.
- Knowing and Living Our Cultures Within a Diverse Society**
 Olga Winbush, Professor at Pacific Oaks College
 We wear our cultures with us everyday. They shape very important parts of our identities and sense of self. This workshop will examine cultures within diverse contexts, and ways of using these differences to build spaces of liberation and democracy.
- Making 'Privilege' Visible**
 Christopher Thinnes, Curtis School and Tami L. Farber President, Together Leading the Future
 The development of truly diverse & inclusive communities depends on the needs of particular groups. Come join us for a discussion intended to help make privilege visible. We will explore assumptions and examine the responsibility privilege carries.
- Navigating the Pathways of an Independent School Environment**
 Ernest Levroney, Director of Student Life, Windward
 Balancing academic success while maintaining a positive personal and cultural identity can be a difficult and complex experience for students of color. Come and explore what we can do to support our students.

Participant 1 Student: Grade _____ Adult _____

Participant 2 Student: Grade _____ Adult _____

Participant 3 Student: Grade _____ Adult _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

School _____

Total #: Student(s) _____ Adult(s) _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

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Adult Registration: \$35
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 On-Site Registration and Registration received after November 12, 2012: \$35 for Students
 \$45 for Adults