



# Asheville City Schools

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### [Equity Collaboration Meeting](#)

[March 20, 2019](#)

#### [AGENDA](#)

- I. Welcome and Introductions – Shaunda Sanford, School Board Chair
  
- II. Agenda Overview and Summary Minutes – Debra Campbell, Asheville City Manager
  
- III. Equity Collaboration Discussion – Debra Campbell,
  - Purpose: Collaborative effort to eliminate the achievement gap that exists between black and white students by addressing racial inequities in Asheville City School system
  
  - Goals:
    - i. Educate and inform the community about ACS issues and challenges and update on progress being made to resolve issues.
    - ii. Pursue development of comprehensive youth development plan to address issues and challenges
    - iii. Create community partnerships to help identify and address issues and challenges
  
  - Partners/Members:
    - i. Asheville City Schools
    - ii. United Way
    - iii. City of Asheville
    - iv. Buncombe County
    - v. Faith Based Organizations
    - vi. Asheville Housing Authority

- vii. Dogwood Trust
- viii. ACS Foundation
- ix. Dr. Mullin Foundation

**x. Additional Partners**

- 1. YMI
- 2. FEAST
- 3. YMCA
- 4. Chamber
- 5. AB Tech
- 6. UNC-A
- 7. Goodwill
- 8. LEAF
- 9. Youthful Hands
- 10. MAHEC
- 11. Chosen
- 12. My Daddy Taught Me That

- Process Small Group Discussion:
  - i. Address the “Whole Child” utilizing an Equity and Asset based lens.
  - ii. Four Pronged Approach
    - 1. Emotional Support & Well Being
    - 2. Academics
    - 3. Arts
    - 4. Athletics
  - iii. Identify Issues and Sample Strategies
  
- Potential Funding Partners:
  - i. Ingles
  - ii. Asheville Rotary
  - iii. Biltmore Estates
  - iv. Haynes
  - v. AIR
  - vi. Eblen Charities
  - vii. Harmony Motors
  - viii. Asheville Hotel Groups
  - ix. Asheville City Schools
  - x. City of Asheville
  - xi. Buncombe County

IV. Wrap-up and Next Steps – Shaunda Sanders, School Board Chair