

## Call for Proposals:

Dear Colleague,

I hope this message finds you well. The RIDES team would like to invite you or a member of your organization to submit a proposal to present at the **Beyond Desegregation: Engaging Practices for Diverse and Equitable Schools** conference **April 30 through May 2, 2019** at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

This year's national conference is designed to help schools, districts and charter management organizations go beyond desegregation (getting diverse students in their buildings) to become truly integrated (where all children learn at high levels, feel included, appreciate their own and other cultures, understand racism, and work to dismantle it). Last May, 200 practitioners and advocates came to Cambridge to share promising practices. (For reference, please see the 2018 [RIDES Beyond Desegregation Conference](#) briefing book.)

This year's conference promises to be even stronger -- moving beyond promising practices to sharing stories, tools, and templates for successful implementation. Confirmed keynote speakers include John Brittain (University of the District of Columbia), John A. Powell (UC Berkeley), and Karen Mapp (Harvard University). The conference sessions will mix organizations that work closely with schools and districts with practical presentations from educators who support diversity, equity, and integration in their schools. Sessions will focus on current practices and efforts for re-imagining diverse and equitable schools. The goal is for attendees to leave with a refreshed vision for the work based on expert insights, research and current practice, as well as strategies to build capacity for integration efforts at their schools and organizations.

We believe your voice would be a great addition to the Beyond Desegregation Conference. Proposals that are accepted will be notified by April 1, 2019 if not before. Please note, we will waive the \$350 conference registration fee for 2 presenters per organization. If this is of interest to you, please email us at [rides@gse.harvard.edu](mailto:rides@gse.harvard.edu) with the following information **by March 1, 2019**:

1. The name and location of your school/Organization
2. Number of Proposed Presenters
3. 150 word abstract describing your presentation
4. A brief description of how your presentation will fit in with RIDES beliefs about the key outcomes of true integration. For more information visit: <https://rides.gse.harvard.edu/abcs>

Regards,

The RIDES Team