

# KU CET PRESENTATION SERIES - Fall 2021

Name it, Claim It, Change it:

Real Talk of Systemic Racism in Education Pedagogy

Thursday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 11:00am-11:50am

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**Dr. Deborah Johnson**

**Abstract:** The research will give historic and contemporary authentic narratives of the harms of racist practices in America with focus on Pennsylvania districts. Examples of discriminatory practices, biases in classroom teachings, curriculum, texts, and dispositional pitfalls will illustrate the great impact that racism has had on generations of minority learners [Name It]. The research will ignite a deeper understanding of known and unknown racist frameworks [Claim It], discuss accountability to practices and suggest opportunities for program shifts and inclusionary practices [Change it].

**About the speaker:** Deborah Johnson has been a crusader for social justice, Black equality movements, and advocates for equity for all groups since her undergraduate years. There has not been a decade since the sixties whereby her energies were devoted to protests, campaigns for under privileged or disenfranchised groups, and demonstrated for quality life shifts for persons with refracted voices. Johnson's 20 years at KU complements her professional education experiences from teaching AP English, gifted classes, to being a secondary principal for years have given her the narratives and empirical data to augment this presentation. It is time for less talk and time to commence moving in a direction promoting change.