HREI Town Hall Forum

Race and Education: Dynamics and Social Impact

with Keynote Speaker Sondra Samuels

Tuesday, May 24 • 6:30-8 p.m. Eisenhower Community Center Theater

1001 Highway 7, Hopkins • Parking available on-site

Join the Hopkins Race and Equity Initiative for a presentation from Keynote Speaker Sondra Samuels on the role structural racism in education has played in solidifying racial disparities, followed by a question and answer session moderated by Diversity and Inclusion Consultant Bill Wells.

Sondra Samuels



Sondra Samuels is the President & CEO of the Northside Achievement Zone (NAZ), a collaborative of over 30 partner nonprofits and schools. Along with parents, students, partners, and staff, Sondra is leading a revolutionary culture shift in North Minneapolis focused on ending multigenerational poverty through education and family stability. The NAZ Collaborative is working toward a single goal—to

prepare low-income North Minneapolis children to graduate from high school college- and career-ready. NAZ has scaled up in support of over 1,000 parents and 2,300 students as they turn the social service model on its head and lead the creation of a college-bound culture throughout the community.

Bill Wells - Moderator



Bill Wells is president of W. Wells & Associates, LLC, a management consulting

firm. In his work, Bill focuses on organizational cultures and human capital issues with an emphasis on creating a vision focused on advancing diversity, inclusion, equity, culture change and transformation.

