

How to Reopen Schools Optimally in the Fall: Planning, Preparing and Predicting

Join District of Columbia DKG members **Karen Gross**, **Sakina McGruder**, **Pat Neal** and special guest **Dr. Edward Wang** for a panel discussion on how to reopen schools with trauma responsive strategies in place. These educators will focus on concrete classroom and institutional approaches to enable educators to facilitate a successful start to the new school year in light of the many traumas that exist in our world. **Dr. Elizabeth Rapp Tarnner** will moderate. **Carol Linscott** will serve as registrar.

Saturday, June 19 from Noon – 2:00 p.m. EST

9:00 am PST
4:00 pm Iceland

10:00 am MST
5:00 pm London

11:00 am CST
6:00 pm Netherlands

12:00 pm EST
7:00 pm Finland

Registrants can obtain a copy of Karen Gross' new book, *Trauma Doesn't Stop at the School Door* through Teachers College Press or Amazon. Registrants may also be interested in two downloadable PDFs which will be referenced during the conversation: The Feeling Alphabet (co-authored with Dr. Wang) and Trauma Toolbox How-to-Guide at karengrosseducation.com.

About the discussion leaders

Karen Gross is an educator and author of adult and children's books. A former college president, she serves as an instructor in continuing education at the Rutgers Graduate School Social Work and specializes in the impact of trauma on student learning and psychosocial development. Together with the other three panelists, they created and ran the Virtual Teachers Lounge in Spring 2021, an effort that will continue.

Sakina McGruder is a National Board Certified Teacher (NBCT) with over 18 years of experience with elementary and intermediate school students and their families. She works on programs to improve the lives of teachers serving during the Pandemic.

Pat Neal served as a teacher in the DC Public Schools. Later, she served as a teacher and school counselor for elementary and middle school students and as the Director of Student Services in the Fairfax Virginia Public School System.

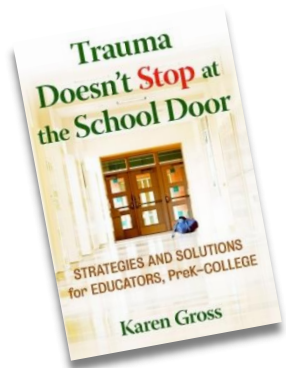
Dr. Edward Wang is Director of Policy and Planning for the Division of Global Psychiatry, Massachusetts General Hospital, a former member of the National Advisory Council, Department of Health and Human Services and a public steward of the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health.

REGISTER EARLY: There is a maximum number of 100 registrants allowed.

Click on this link to register: [Registration Link](#)

You will receive an email with the Zoom link a few days before the program.

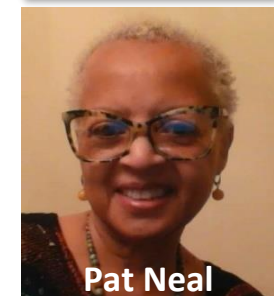
Please contact Carol Linscott at roystontreasurer@gmail.com or Liztarnner@aol.com for additional information.



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