TEACHER EDUCATION AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PRESENTS:

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Dr. Bettina L. Love is an award-winning author and Associate Professor of Educational Theory & Practice at the University of Georgia. Her research focuses on the ways in which urban youth negotiate Hip Hop music and culture to form social, cultural, and political identities to create new and sustaining ways of thinking about urban education and social justice. She also concentrates on transforming urban classrooms through the use of non-traditional educational curricula and classroom structures. Recently, Dr. Love was named the Nasir Jones Fellow at the W. E. B. Du Bois Research Center at Harvard University for Spring of 2016, where she developed a multimedia Hip Hop civics curriculum for middle to high school students.

PUBLIC TALK

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

4:00 – 5:30PM

UMASS CENTER AT SPRINGFIELD

Towers Square
1500 Main Street
Springfield, MA 01115

IMAGINING MATTERING: HIP HOP CIVICS ED, INTERSECTIONALITY, & BLACK JOY

In this presentation, Dr. Love will discuss how Hip Hop Civics Ed, when linked to the framework of intersectionality, creates a space where Black lives matter and analytic sensibilities are nurtured to engage students in the work of fighting for visibility, inclusion, and justice. Her talk will end by calling for educators not only to teach students about racial violence, oppression, and how to make sustainable change in their communities through innovative and radical civic initiatives and movements, but also to expose youth to the possibilities that come with envisioning a world built on Black joy. FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

School-day Hip Hop Cyphers with BLove at Holyoke High School, The Springfield Renaissance School, and Putnam Vocational Technical High School.

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