



Inquiry & Discussion on Bias & Inclusivity in Petaluma Schools

You Are Invited to a PCRC Sponsored Community Event

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Petaluma – After listening to local leaders and students talk about their campus experiences, the Petaluma Community Relation’s Council believes the time is right to have a community-wide conversation about bias and inclusivity in Petaluma’s schools, and in our community as a whole.

DATE: Wednesday January 30, 2019

TIME: 6:30 PM – 8:15 PM

PLACE: Petaluma Regional Library, 100 Fairgrounds Dr, Petaluma, CA 94952

The event is in response to two student surveys concerning discrimination and bullying in Sonoma County High Schools.

During the January 30th program, current and former High School students will talk about racism, sexism and other forms of bias they experienced on campus in Petaluma.

Representatives from North Bay Organizing Project (NBOP), Petaluma School District, Teachers and Petaluma Police Department will share their perspectives on bias and inclusivity, and share information, which will include findings from the two student surveys.

“The mood in our world has been divisive, and particularly felt among our young people,” said members of the Coordinating Committee. “Sharing stories can be a powerful tool for talking about discrimination linked to race, religion, gender, culture and other identity differences, especially in trying times.”

The Petaluma Community Relations Council invites the public to participate in a program of inquiry and conversation about bias and inclusivity in Petaluma schools and in our community.

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“The mission of the Petaluma Community Relations Council is to serve as a coalition of individuals and groups, promoting the values of respect, appreciation and understanding of diversity among all people in our community. By fostering positive human relations, we identify and confront discrimination, respond to the needs of our community, and serve as a source of information and advocacy.”