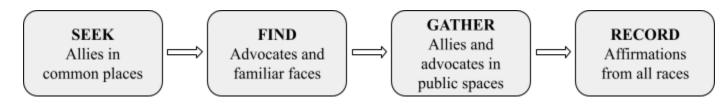
# **NABSE** Coalition of Allies

"Advocating FOR Public Education" Our Game Plan (Now - November 2024)



#### **SEEK:** Allies in common places

- Talking phase/informal outreach to prospective local allies willing to partner/ co-sponsor affirmation event(s) in 2025 (NAACP, Urban League, NAN, Divine 9, etc.).
- Local allies are organizations and individuals willing to advocate FOR public education.
- Affiliate Presidents: *Spearhead* this effort as Organization Leaders team members, and *appoint* one (1) or two (2) affiliate representatives to the Design Team. *Complete and submit this form no later than August 1, 2024.*
- NABSE Members: If there is no NABSE affiliate in your area, *volunteer* to serve "at large." (Email: <u>kjretired.2023@gmail.com</u>)
- Superintendents with no local NABSE affiliate available: *Establish* a district level/community level COA committee and *identify* one (1) or two (2) members to join the Design Team. <u>Complete</u> <u>and submit this form no later than August 1, 2024</u>.
- NABSE Superintendents currently serving on the Organization Leaders team should continue to solicit other superintendents and national education organizations as allies.
- Each affiliate will send a "Commitment-to-partner" letter to each ally by November 2024.
  - A uniform letter will be provided by the Design Team.
  - Allies identified after the 52nd NABSE conference should be sent the same "Commitment" letters.

#### FIND: Advocates and familiar faces

- Affiliates and COA Committees established by Superintendents: Create and maintain a database of commitments as soon as possible for activation in 2025.
- Begin talking informally and compiling individual and collective lists of prospective advocates.
  - Guidelines for use of model advocacy affirmation questions during "talking phase" to be developed by the Design Team.
- Identify familiar/famous/celebrity advocate "faces".
- Starting in September 2024, send formal/uniform "Commitment-to-participate" follow-up forms seeking advocates' contact information.
  - $\circ~$  A standard form will be crafted by the Design Team.

### GATHER: Allies and advocates in public spaces

- Affiliates should begin brainstorming the type of affirmation event(s) they envision hosting beginning January 2025.
  - Hopefully, "no cost" or "low cost" venues can be identified.



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- $\circ$   $\,$  The goal is for NABSE to have COA events throughout 2025.
- Consider weather when planning and scheduling events.
- Affiliates and COA Committees established by Superintendents: Share dates and events once confirmed so that a master calendar of events can be maintained by the Coalition of Allies. (Email: <u>kjretired.2023@gmail.com</u>)
  - Templates for "affirmation events" will be created by the Design Team.
- Affiliates preferring to host affirmation events in the 2025-26 academic year should do so before the 53rd Annual NABSE Conference in November 2025.

### **RECORD:** Affirmations from all races

- Affiliate Presidents or their Designee: Attend the COA Pre-Conference Session on November 20, 2024.
- Guidelines for documentation of affirmation events will be provided at the COA Pre-conference on November 20, 2024 and COA presentations during the 52nd Annual NABSE Conference.
- Details for all aspects of COA implementation beginning in January 2025 will be part of the Pre-Conference Agenda.
- Affiliates that complete the Seek, Find, and Gather segments of our "game plan" by November 1, 2024 will comprise the NABSE COA Honor Roll that will be recognized at the 52nd Annual Conference.

COA Organization Leaders Team and Design Team Slides - Shared July 1, 2024