

What's EDTalks?

Achieve Twin Cities' EDTalks features compelling short talks and conversations with cutting-edge educators, youth advocates, journalists, artists, researchers, policymakers and others on a wide range of equity-focused issues that impact our young people and public education. Traditionally hosted in front of a live audience, our goal is that our audience emerges more informed, curious, energized and ready to find new ways to support our young people. Learn more about EDTalks and check out our videos and podcasts!

SPEAKERS

Our speakers come from a wide variety of professions, are passionate about their subject matter and represent the communities we serve. Find out more about our speaker selection process.

AUDIENCES

are interested and invested in public education and our young people. They include young professionals, educators, youth advocates, policymakers, parents and community leaders.

EDTalks is a program of Achieve Twin Cities in partnership with other outstanding community organizations. During our first ten seasons, these have included:

- The Graves Foundation
- The Citizens League
- Indigo Education
- Minneapolis Regional Chamber Emerging Leaders
- Pollen Midwest
- Twin Cities PBS: tpt
- Twin Cities Young Education Professionals

SEASONS



VIDEOS AND PODCASTS

All EDTalks events are recorded and later shared as YouTube videos and Soundcloud podcasts, which allows people to engage with the topics and speakers without attending an event. Engagement is particularly high on You Tube where our top ten EDTalks videos have been viewed a combined total of almost 200,000 times!

We are proud that **EDTalks has a strong reputation as a reliable and creative resource** for our broader community and is seen as a platform for sharing ideas, highlighting expertise and increasing engagement.



140,126+

Critical Race Theory:
Fact vs. Feeling
Dr. Keith Stanley Brooks



39,780+

Trauma-Informed Classrooms Mark Sander



You

13,876+

Who Are We Talking
About? The Importance
of Disaggregating Data
KaYing Yang

Become an EDTalks Partner!



We are always looking for new EDTalks partners for collaboration on programming, funding and promotion, depending on their particular mission, priorities and resources. **These partnerships provide a tremendous opportunity to affiliate with a well-established program** that is increasing visibility on critical public education and equity issues, supporting emerging leaders and strengthening community engagement on behalf of our young people.

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We'd love to tell you more!

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