American Racism and Nazism Racial Policy
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This presentation explores implicit and explicit bias that leads to racism. We will explore how racism functions in the U.S. and American reactions to Nazi Germany then and now. Racism will be a central theme of the presentation. Exploring slavery as the root cause of the Civil War, we will examine how leaders manipulate racism for personal gain and shape memory before, during, and after the war. We will explore the failure of post-war Reconstruction, the rise of the KKK, and the war against emancipation that created Jim Crow and created a new form of slavery with the for-profit convict labor system. We will look at how Hollywood embraced both implicit and explicit racism and the southern myth of the “Lost cause.”

By highlighting examples of leadership and the influence of targeted minorities in enhancing democratic values, we explore how to utilize this history to promote competencies for democratic citizenship. Participants will also learn how our history impacts education, how students of color perceive and are perceived, how the education system responds to students of color, and will provide tips on how to apply the knowledge of this history best in your careers.

INTENDED AUDIENCE:
NEA affiliate leaders, staff, members and partners. All interested parties are welcome. You are encouraged to forward this invite to your partners, leaders and other team members.

SPECIAL GUEST:
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