



MEDIA ALERT

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Richmond-Area High School Students to Stop Stereotypes in Schools at 9th Annual Diversity Dialogue Day

What: Diversity Dialogue Day

When: November 14, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Where: University of Richmond – Tyler Hanes Commons

Who: Over 175 high school students and educators from schools in Chesterfield, Goochland, Hanover, Henrico, Powhatan, Prince George, and the City of Richmond will come together in a hands-on workshop setting to learn lessons about diversity, discrimination, and respect. Diversity Dialogue Day is sponsored by the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities with support from Dominion Energy.

How: This year's theme is Stopping Stereotypes in Schools, with a curriculum taking participants through a process of awareness-to-action. Students will learn about how stereotypes impact student experiences at school and in their communities, and learn how to leverage individual leadership abilities that will allow them to combat prejudice and intolerance. They will work closely with their peers from a wide range of ethnic, cultural and socio-economic backgrounds as trained community facilitators guide them through small group learning activities that will explore personal experiences with stereotyping. At the end of the day, students will leave with practical skills to help make their schools more inclusive.

For More Information: http://inclusiveva.org/programs/schools/#link_acc-5-7-d

Interview Opportunities: Members of the press are invited to visit the Diversity Dialogue Day at any time during the program. Parents/guardians have granted permission to photograph and interview students. Educators are also available for interview *For interviews, the preferred visiting time is from 11:45am – 12:00pm. For programming, the preferred visiting time is from 8:45am - 10:15am.* Please contact Jessica Hawthorne by telephone at (804) 495-1580 or by e-mail at jhawthorne@inclusiveVA.org.

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