We Invite You to Attend
Our 8th Annual IABSE Education Forum and Reception
In Collaboration with
Indiana Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (IACTE)

DISCUSSION THEME
Increasing and Retaining African American University Students in the Education/Teaching Pipeline

3:45 pm
- Registration and Refreshments
- Welcome, Greetings and Overview
- Past Recipients
- Student Panel
- Faculty Reflections
- Scholarship Recipients Announced

6:00 pm
- Networking

Marian University
3200 Cold Spring Road
Ruth Lilly Student Center Community Room
(Next to Marian Hall)
Indianapolis, IN 46222
Friday, September 25, 2015
3:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Please RSVP by Monday, September 21, 2015 to: Gwen Kelley at indy_iabse@yahoo.com

HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS YEAR’S FORUM
- Minority students majoring in Education are invited to network and socialize with students from other campuses.
- Selected students of color from various schools will serve on our panel and discuss some of the successes and challenges they encounter.
- Students will be selected and awarded tickets to the Indiana Black Expo Circle City Classic Football Game scheduled for Saturday, September 26, 2015.
- University faculty members, high school counselors, and other interested supporters are invited to participate and bring students to share in the discussion. Some faculty members will also be invited to share information.
- Learn what we all can do to help retain African American education majors and recruit educators from our Indiana Schools of Education.

Refreshments will be served!

FIVE SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE AWARDED TO STUDENTS WHO ARE CHOSEN BASED ON APPLICATION CRITERIA

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MIDNIGHT, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2015.
August 18, 2015

Dear Schools of Education Deans and Community Partners:

A forum on Increasing and Retaining African American University Students in the Education/Teaching Pipeline will be held Friday, September 25, 2015, from 3:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m. in Indianapolis at Marian University, 3200 Cold Spring Road in the Ruth Lilly Student Center Community Room (located next to Marian Hall.) This is the weekend of the Indiana Black Expo Circle City Classic events in Indianapolis. The forum agenda will provide an opportunity for a panel of selected university students and faculty members of participating colleges to voice their successes, concerns and experiences. In addition, five scholarship winners will be awarded as 2015 recipients. Scholarship information is attached to forward to African American students already enrolled in Indiana Schools of Education.

This annual event invites community partners to renew our continual commitment to improving the quality, the recruitment, and the retention of students in schools of Education and teachers of color in the Indiana teacher education pipeline. In recognizing the crucial shortage of African American teachers in Indiana, we provide a venue to connect students from around the state and promote dialogue about their perceptions and experiences, and listen to their recommendations. Thus, this forum serves as a platform to discuss some of the challenges and success stories experienced by the students of color enrolled in the Indiana Schools of Education. The Indianapolis Alliance of Black School Educators is pleased to continue our collaboration on this initiative with the Indiana Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (IACTE).

Please contact Gwen Kelley at indy_iabse@yahoo.com to RSVP. If you have additional questions, you may call (317) 313-4128. Feel free to invite other university representatives and education majors, superintendents, principals, counselors, students and stakeholders. While we welcome all future teacher perspectives, we especially, encourage teachers and parents to bring high school, middle school and elementary students of color from your area who are considering a career in education. Thank you for your interest in this vital topic of creating and maintaining a diversified pool of quality educators. We look forward to hearing from you with your RSVP by Monday, September 21, 2015.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Gwendolyn J. Kelley, Co-Chairperson
Mrs. Ellen Lane, Co-Chairperson
Dr. Cathi Cornelius, President
Indianapolis Alliance of Black School Educators
The Indianapolis Alliance of Black School Educators (IABSE) recognizes the critical shortage of African American students who enter and complete Teacher Education Programs across the state. In order to inspire and encourage students to remain in the education pipeline, our organization will select students who best meet our criteria and present them with scholarship awards.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AND MAIL IT AS A COVER SHEET TO THE IABSE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE POSTMARKED BY MIDNIGHT MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2015.

FIVE AWARDS OF $500 EACH ARE AVAILABLE TO BE PRESENTED TO QUALIFIED APPLICANTS.

Name ___________________________ University/School of Education_________________
Address __________________________ City ____________________, IN Zip Code ______
Email ___________________________ Phone Contact Information _______________________

Area(s) of Licensure/Certification you are working toward ___________________________

GPA (3.0 minimum)____ Classification Year ___________ Ethnicity/Race________

Please indicate and check, that you have completed the following steps and have included documentation in the packet sent to the address below:

☐ I can attend the awards event on Friday September 25, 2015.
☐ I am currently enrolled and have listed the accredited school of education program in Indiana that I attend.
☐ I have attached my most recent sealed OFFICIAL university/college transcript(s). Unofficial records will be disqualified.
☐ I have included a list/spreadsheet of my experiences working with students/children during the last 5 years.
☐ I have included 2 letters of recommendation from non-relatives who are familiar with my experiences in education. (At least one university connection is preferred).
☐ I have attached a 400-500-word (1-2 pages) typed essay explaining my educational career goals upon graduation.
☐ I have listed contact information from my 2 recommendation letters.

Contact Information for recommendations:
Name ___________________________ Address ___________________________
City __________________ State ________ Zip _____ Phone ____________

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PLEASE NOTE:
Applications must be Postmarked by midnight Monday, September 14, 2015. Mail all completed information together to:
IABSE Scholarship Fund
C/O Mrs. Ellen Lane
8335 Codesa Way
Indianapolis, IN 46278

For additional information, you may call: (317) 280-9418.

Winners will be notified by Monday, September 21, 2015. Winners are expected to attend the IABSE Fall Forum held in Indianapolis, Friday, September 25, 2015; 3:45 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

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