BTU AND BEJA PRESENT

STRONGER TOGETHER: PARENTS & EDUCATORS UNITE!

2020 Winter + Parent2Parent Conference

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29
BTU, 180 Mt. Vernon Ave., Dorchester, MA 02125
Snow Date: Saturday, March 7th

• 8 AM: BREAKFAST AND EDUCATOR REGISTRATION
• 9 AM: EDUCATOR WORKSHOPS
• 11:30 AM: PARENT REGISTRATION
• 12 NOON: JOINT LUNCH AND GUEST SPEAKER
• 1 PM: JOINT EDUCATOR AND PARENT WORKSHOPS

Register at btu.org/winter-conference
Childcare and translation by request
**Morning Workshops (Educators only):**

**Contract 101:** Get your questions about our rights under the Contract answered.

**Organizing at your School Site:** Learn about how to collectively address issues at your school.

**Beyond Contract Campaigns:** Hear from leaders of different BTU committees and learn how you can get involved in these fights for social justice.

**How to be an Anti-Racist - where do you stand?**: This session creates space for a deeper dive into what challenges and needs we face and what we can do about them, together.

**Afternoon Workshops (Parents and Educators):**

**Parenting and Education across cultures:** Families and educators will learn to partner with one another across cultures to promote a successful educational experience.

**Demystifying IEPs and Special Education:** This workshop is aimed at helping families understand what special education and the IEP process are all about, and why it is so important that families be involved.

**Parent-teacher partnerships for strengths-based IEPs:** This workshop will provide educators and families with concrete tools to create strengths-based IEPs and partner to best support students.

**Supporting English Language Learners:** Families and Educators will learn strategies to bridge communication between school and home and accelerate language development for English Language Learners/Newcomers.

**Candid Conversations: Families and Educators Together:** Educators and families will engage in honest conversation to unite them in sharing great ideas, learning from one another, and working together to support kids.

**Engaging Latinx Families:** Explore how schools can engage parents in meaningful and authentic ways to build community and empower Latinx voices.

**Understanding the BPS Budget and what you can do about it:** This workshop will break down the BPS budget process, dig into why some schools win and some schools lose, and build collective power to ensure that every school is fully funded.

**Natural Allies: Hope and Possibility in Teacher-Family Partnerships:** Soo Hong will share lessons learned from her Natural Allies book project in an interactive workshop that helps teachers and parents reimagine how they communicate with each other.