DURHAM CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
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C.A.B.S. Presents:

Empowering Our Community Through Mathematics

DCDSB families are invited to attend Empowering Our Community Through Mathematics, an interactive networking event, panel discussion, and featuring keynote speakers Alexander Coleman and Carl E. James. Families will learn how to empower their children and youth to embrace quantitative skills that are essential for career paths that will be both relevant and lucrative in the future. Panelists and keynote speakers will focus on the importance of empowering Black students to DO math and SEE math in their everyday lives, a shift in mindset that will help to lead our youth toward STEM related fields in the future.

Date: September 25, 2024

Time: Meet and Greet/Networking - 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Note: Refreshments Will Be Provided
Keynote Speaker and Panel - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Opening Presentation: Randell Adjei, Transformational Speaker, Spoken Word Practitioner

Location: Notre Dame Catholic Secondary School
(1375 Harwood Ave. N., Ajax)

Moderator

Morlan Washington

Coach/Advocate for Black Students (CABS) Durham Catholic District School Board

Keynote Speakers

Alexander Coleman
CIO/Assistant Deputy Minister, Children, Youth and Social Services I+IT Cluster, from the Ministry of Children, Community & Social Services
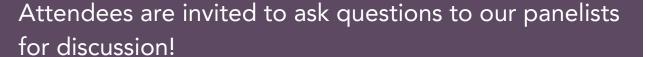**Keynote topic: Math is LIT**

Carl E. James
Jean Augustine Chair in Education, Community & Diaspora in the Faculty of Education at York University where he is also the Equity Advisor to the Dean
Keynote topic: Helping Your Child Thrive in Math: Strategies for Engagement and Success

Panelists

Lucy Campbell
Associate Professor, Applied Mathematician, School of Mathematics and Statistics, Carleton University

Jude Kong
Professor and Executive Director, Artificial Intelligence and Mathematical Modelling Lab, Dalla Lana School of Public Health, University of Toronto

Brenda Obaseki
Fourth year student at Archbishop Denis O'Connor C.H.S., President of Aspiring Black Students Led by Excellence (ABLE)

Beatrice Ombuki-Berman
Professor of Artificial Intelligence, and Department Chair, Department of Computer Science, Brock University

Nathaniel Osgood
Professor, Department of Computer Science and Associate Faculty in the Department of Community Health & Epidemiology, University of Saskatchewan

Attendees are invited to ask questions to our panelists for discussion!

To allow parents to engage in this event, activities and supervision of children (Grade K-6) will be available, provided by staff and secondary students.

[Register at this link](#) or scan the QR code by September 23, 2024, to attend this free event.