

Diversity and Inclusion Mission Statement

"The Shawnee Mission East Diversity and Inclusion Committee values and respects the diversity found in the East family. We understand that diversity includes people of all races, ethnicities, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, socio-economic classes, religious and spiritual traditions, ages, and abilities. We are committed to promoting cross-cultural understanding, harmony, and positive relationships, and equally committed to raising the awareness of the powerful and beautiful diversity that exists within our community."

Dr. Khan's Visit to SME

On December 11th Bridges KC, SME Feminist Club, and Coalition brought Dr. Sofia Khan to the school to talk about what it is like and what it means to be Muslim in this day and age. She spoke on the basis of Islamic faith and the hardships her family and four daughters have had to overcome. Dr. Khan's informational presentation was is apart of the SME student lecture series goal is to begin cultivating important conversations in the SMSD communities by bridging cultures and communities together to listen and for further understanding.

Resources

The RaceProjectKC website: <u>http://www.raceprojectkc.com/</u>

Teens on Diversity Video: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LFNuRJm4LMs</u>

Shatter the Divide Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2nva5N1ggZU

The Princeton Prize in Race Relations: <u>http://www.princeton.edu/main/news/archive/S43/08/32I23/index.xml?section=topstories</u>

#ITooAmEast:

http://smeharbinger.net/arts-and-entertainment/i-too-am-east

Students Embrace Diversity: <u>http://www.kansascity.com/news/local/community/joco-913/olathe-southwest-joco/article317766/Students-embrace-diversity.html</u>

Latinos of Tomorrow: http://smeast.smsd.org/Documents/Latinos%20of%20Tomorrow%20Flyer.pdf

Best Selling Author, Tanner Colby, Assembly at SM East http://www.smsd.org/news.aspx?id=4422

SME's involvement with Race Project KC <u>http://raceprojectkc.weebly.com/</u>

Harbinger News Links

Check out the Harbinger News below.

Troost Tour: <u>http://smeharbinger.net/news/troost-tour</u>

http://smeharbinger.net/news/directing-diversity-2

http://smeharbinger.net/news/hines-sight

http://smeharbinger.net/opinion/editorial/disbanding-discrimination