



April 16, 2015

Lebanon City School Board,

In light of the recent articles in the Cincinnati Enquirer and Dayton Daily News about incidents of racism in our community and schools, we, the members of The MLK Community Coalition of Lebanon, would like to serve as a resource to Lebanon City Schools. In honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s vision of justice, our mission is to build an inclusive network of individuals and organizations that work toward empowerment for ALL people.

We want to help facilitate improved relationships between diverse people in our schools and community.

We would like to:

- meet with the superintendent and school board;
- schedule Anti-Racism Training "Seeing The Face of God in Each Other" for students, faculty and staff, provided by St. Patrick's Episcopal Church;
- meet with the City of Lebanon, local law enforcement and first responders regarding community relations with our community of color; and
- recommend the Great Lakes Equity Center which is the assistance agency funded by the U.S. Department of Education to provide technical assistance, resources, and professional learning opportunities related to equity, social justice and civil rights for K-12 school districts in the 6 Great Lakes states including Ohio.

For more information, please visit our website at www.MLKLebanon.org.

Sincerely,

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