https://www.meridenk12.org/district/advancing-equity-in-meriden-public-schools/

[Commissioner of Education’s African American History Task Force](https://afroamfl.org/)

C Palm Courses

[Exploring Hip Hop as Literature](https://www.cpalms.org/Public/PreviewCourse/Preview/15437)

[African-American History Honors](https://www.cpalms.org/Public/PreviewCourse/Preview/14358)

[African History Honors](https://www.cpalms.org/Public/PreviewCourse/Preview/14375)

[Examining the African American Experience in the 20th Century](https://www.cpalms.org/Public/PreviewCourse/Preview/15436)

[Great Men and Women of Color Who Shaped World History](https://www.cpalms.org/Public/PreviewCourse/Preview/15435)

[History and Contributions of Haiti in a Global Context](https://www.cpalms.org/Public/PreviewCourse/Preview/17568)

<http://www.leadingourlearners.org/overcoming-barriers-to-achievement/>

<https://www.publicservicedegrees.org/resources/students-with-family-challenges/>

The Center for Parent Information and Resources ([CPIR](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJlbWFpbCI6Im1lc3NpbmFAZnNiYS5vcmciLCJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoiMTI4Iiwic3Vic2NyaWJlcl9pZCI6IjU0NjUyMTk2MSIsImxpbmtfaWQiOiIxMTg1Njc2NTQxIiwidXJpIjoiYnAyOmRpZ2VzdCIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3LnBhcmVudGNlbnRlcmh1Yi5vcmcvdGFsay1hYm91dC1yYWNlLz91dG1fY29udGVudD0mdXRtX21lZGl1bT1lbWFpbCZ1dG1fbmFtZT0mdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSZ1dG1fdGVybT0iLCJidWxsZXRpbl9pZCI6IjIwMjEwMTIwLjMzNTkyNzMxIn0.zYcBpdUl8lb8COueXaQ7hkFHSs4jCfyc3kQcYiwbHvs)) has created a series of webpages on talking about race. CPIR offers these materials to help individuals and communities feel comfortable discussing racial matters. The resources are organized by theme or topic to help with identifying the resource most relevant or of interest to the individual, community, or program. Titles such as [Looking Within Ourselves](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJlbWFpbCI6Im1lc3NpbmFAZnNiYS5vcmciLCJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoiMTI5Iiwic3Vic2NyaWJlcl9pZCI6IjU0NjUyMTk2MSIsImxpbmtfaWQiOiIxMTg1Njc2NTQ1IiwidXJpIjoiYnAyOmRpZ2VzdCIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3LnBhcmVudGNlbnRlcmh1Yi5vcmcvcmFjZS1tYXR0ZXJzLXdpdGhpbi8_dXRtX2NvbnRlbnQ9JnV0bV9tZWRpdW09ZW1haWwmdXRtX25hbWU9JnV0bV9zb3VyY2U9Z292ZGVsaXZlcnkmdXRtX3Rlcm09IiwiYnVsbGV0aW5faWQiOiIyMDIxMDEyMC4zMzU5MjczMSJ9.UE8krU-2tRv2be3fflMoaU84gHrVrfM_qCnDrCgfwCo) and [Talking With Our Children About Race and Racial Violence](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJlbWFpbCI6Im1lc3NpbmFAZnNiYS5vcmciLCJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoiMTMwIiwic3Vic2NyaWJlcl9pZCI6IjU0NjUyMTk2MSIsImxpbmtfaWQiOiIxMTg1Njc2NTUzIiwidXJpIjoiYnAyOmRpZ2VzdCIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3LnBhcmVudGNlbnRlcmh1Yi5vcmcvcmFjZS1tYXR0ZXJzLWNoaWxkcmVuLz91dG1fY29udGVudD0mdXRtX21lZGl1bT1lbWFpbCZ1dG1fbmFtZT0mdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSZ1dG1fdGVybT0iLCJidWxsZXRpbl9pZCI6IjIwMjEwMTIwLjMzNTkyNzMxIn0.LTnPkvjtOwXThcELqnhNtl-LGU1TDMWQQD6ZY7ENwn8) are available.

### ****How to Help LGBTQ Youth Thrive****

[National PTA](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJlbWFpbCI6Im1lc3NpbmFAZnNiYS5vcmciLCJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoiMTM1Iiwic3Vic2NyaWJlcl9pZCI6IjU0NjUyMTk2MSIsImxpbmtfaWQiOiIzNjkwOTYwNDMiLCJ1cmkiOiJicDI6ZGlnZXN0IiwidXJsIjoiaHR0cHM6Ly93d3cucHRhLm9yZy8_dXRtX2NvbnRlbnQ9JnV0bV9tZWRpdW09ZW1haWwmdXRtX25hbWU9JnV0bV9zb3VyY2U9Z292ZGVsaXZlcnkmdXRtX3Rlcm09IiwiYnVsbGV0aW5faWQiOiIyMDIxMDEyMC4zMzU5MjczMSJ9.OCvOAr3t4anHELYkZkKzWB4YUlqxFwZQTK18PpKHLsQ)’s [Center for Family Engagement](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJlbWFpbCI6Im1lc3NpbmFAZnNiYS5vcmciLCJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoiMTM2Iiwic3Vic2NyaWJlcl9pZCI6IjU0NjUyMTk2MSIsImxpbmtfaWQiOiIxMTQzOTkzMjA5IiwidXJpIjoiYnAyOmRpZ2VzdCIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3LnB0YS5vcmcvY2VudGVyLWZvci1mYW1pbHktZW5nYWdlbWVudD91dG1fY29udGVudD0mdXRtX21lZGl1bT1lbWFpbCZ1dG1fbmFtZT0mdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSZ1dG1fdGVybT0iLCJidWxsZXRpbl9pZCI6IjIwMjEwMTIwLjMzNTkyNzMxIn0.i0ETng7A43MU9_bBpsN3BN8A9M2SuEouUwF8zowuvQc) hosts a podcast for parents by parents entitled Notes from the BackPack. The podcast has launched a new season featuring parents and experts who offer advice and strategies to help children succeed in and beyond school. [Listen](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJlbWFpbCI6Im1lc3NpbmFAZnNiYS5vcmciLCJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoiMTM3Iiwic3Vic2NyaWJlcl9pZCI6IjU0NjUyMTk2MSIsImxpbmtfaWQiOiI2NTU2MzEzOTMiLCJ1cmkiOiJicDI6ZGlnZXN0IiwidXJsIjoiaHR0cHM6Ly93d3cucHRhLm9yZy9jZW50ZXItZm9yLWZhbWlseS1lbmdhZ2VtZW50L25vdGVzLWZyb20tdGhlLWJhY2twYWNrP3V0bV9jb250ZW50PSZ1dG1fbWVkaXVtPWVtYWlsJnV0bV9uYW1lPSZ1dG1fc291cmNlPWdvdmRlbGl2ZXJ5JnV0bV90ZXJtPSIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTAxMjAuMzM1OTI3MzEifQ.skSYtDUgekqKkJu6vYP_8MteFusKf3nL8ZV4nNcDK7I) to the current topic Apoyando a los niños pequeños durante COVID-19, How to Help LGBTQ Youth Thrive and other episodes on their website.

The goal of the guidebook is to 1). help raise awareness about at-home challenges that can have a major impact on a student's classroom performance and 2). provide actionable solutions and a list of support resources that parents, teachers, and students can use to make the situation better.

Here's a link to the guide if you'd like to check it out:

**Resources and Support for Students with Challenges at Home:** <https://www.publicservicedegrees.org/resources/students-with-family-challenges/>

Here at STEPS (Student Training & Education in Public Service), we know many students face personal and family challenges that don't always get the attention they deserve. We want every student to have access to the support resources they need to succeed, and creating guides like this is just a small way we're trying to do our part. If it's not too much to ask, can you include a link to our guide on your website as a free support resource for students who are experiencing troubles at home? It would mean the world to us if you could!