

**Maryland State Board of Education  
Task Force on Achieving Academic Equity and Excellence for Black Boys**

**Thursday, September 10, 2020 -- 9:00 AM – 12 Noon**

**AGENDA**

**9:00 -- 9:15 AM** – General “Meeting Room” (Livestreamed)

1. Welcome
2. Virtual Meeting and Public Meeting Norms
3. Introduction of Special Guests
4. Dr. Dara Shaw, Executive Director, (MSDE) Office of Research and Strategic Data Use  
“*PreK – 2 Suspension Data*”
5. Future Meetings - Focus Topics
  - a. **October** – Best Practices for School Culture  
*Special Guest: Dr. Jawanza Kunjufu*
  - b. **November** – Best Practices (Spotlight on schools, educators, and programs)  
*Special Guest: Dr. Melinda Johnson*
  - c. **December** – Choose Study Group Recommendations and Begin Preliminary Report to Task Force
  - d. **January** – Preliminary Report to the Task Force/Begin Final Report
  - e. **February** – Final Report/Presentation to the State Board
6. Questions? Clarification needed? Comments?

**9:15 – 10:15 AM** – Guest Speaker: **Leonard Sax, M.D., Ph.D.**

Dr. Sax is a psychologist, practicing family physician, and the author of *Boys Adrift*, *Gender Matters*, and the New York Times bestseller *The Collapse of Parenting*.

– Q&A

**10:15 – 11:45 AM** – Study Group Breakouts