

#### Our Focus



Improve our ability to meet students' needs by embracing student equity as the foundation for our work as educators.

### What Do We Mean by Equity?



# Dr. Frank Harris, III

Fall Faculty Flex Day Speaker

"Advancing Equity in a Climate of Resistance: Implications for Community College Educators"



- Develop a transparent vision of the campus culture with equity at the core
- Assess the institution's *disposition towards equity*
- Create shared accountability for a commitment to equity

#### Dr. Frank Harris, III - Key Principles



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## Taking Stock



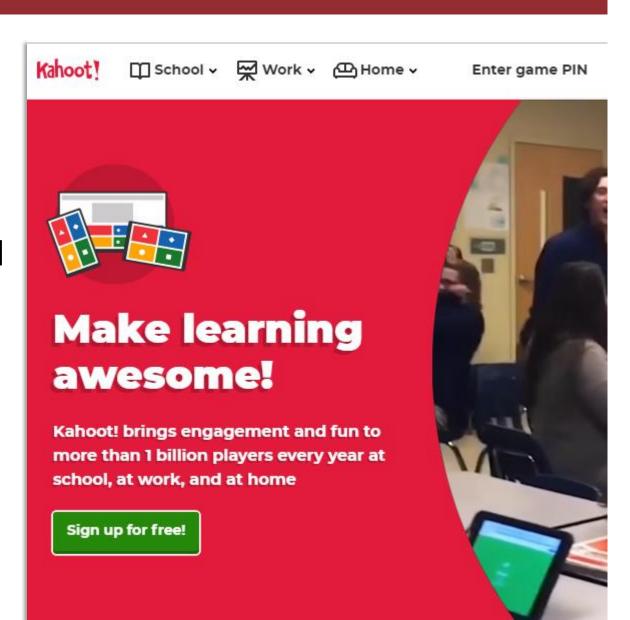
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- Don't know what to do but willing to employ equity practices.
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#### Kahoot! Instructions



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- 2. Go to www.KAHOOT.it
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#### Kahoot! #1



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#### Kahoot! RESULT #1



#### Where do you think Mt. SAC is with regard to Student Equity?

- 45% Don't know what to do but willing to employ equity practices.
- 40% Know what to do and willing to employ equity practices.
- 7% Don't know what to do and unwilling to employ practices.
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## Kahoot! Result #2 What does equity mean to you?



- ☐ 13% Fair
- ☐ 71% Inclusive
- ☐ 15% Intentional
- ☐ 1% Transparent

## Kahoot! Result #3 What does equity mean to you?



- ☐ 34% Embrace diversity
- □ 10% Call to action
- 44% Social justice
- ☐ 13% Mutual respect

### Kahoot! Result #4 What does equity mean to you?



- ☐ 12% Institutional responsibility
- 0% Student responsibility
- 0% Family responsibility
- 88%Collective responsibility

## Kahoot! Result #5 What does equity mean to you?



- ☐ 11% Preparing faculty/staff for students
- 2% Preparing students for college
- ☐ 48% Preparing faculty/staff/students for each other
- ☐ 39% Ensuring the college is prepared for students

## Kahoot! Result #6 What does equity mean to you?



- ☐ 9% Level the playing field
- ☐ 25% Equalize opportunities
- ☐ 19% Change mindsets
- 47% Address disproportionality

## Kahoot! Result #7 What does equity mean to you?



- ☐ 15% Empowering students
- 6%Strengthening teaching and learning
- ☐ 23%Changing the college climate
- ☐ 56% Breaking down barriers

## Kahoot! Result #8 What does equity mean to you?



- 38% Intentional
- ☐ 24% Valued
- ☐ 12% Acceptance
- ☐ 26% Accountability

## Kahoot! Result #9 What does equity mean to you?



- ☐ 14% Fairness
- 44% Access
- ☐ 13% Opportunities
- ☐ 29% Full participation

#### Kahoot! Result #10



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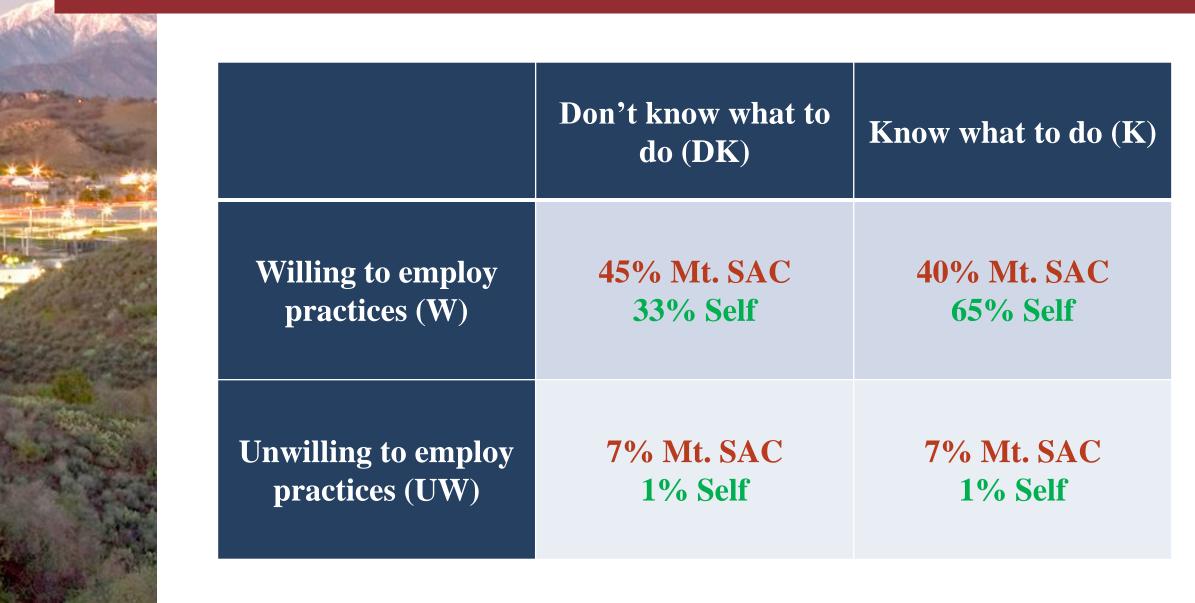
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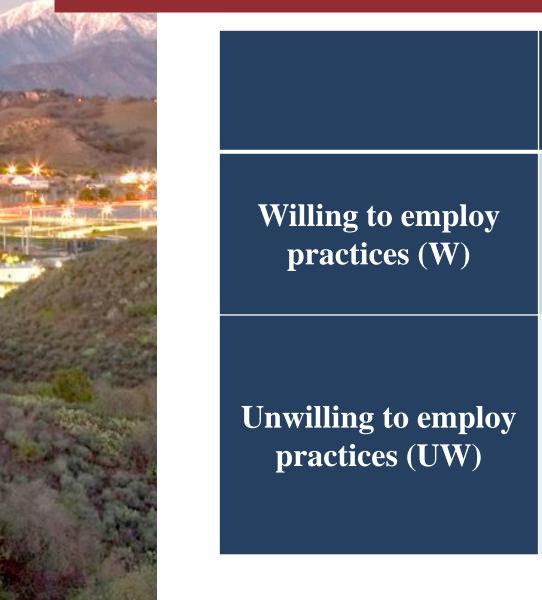


## Where do you think **YOU** are with regard to Student Equity?

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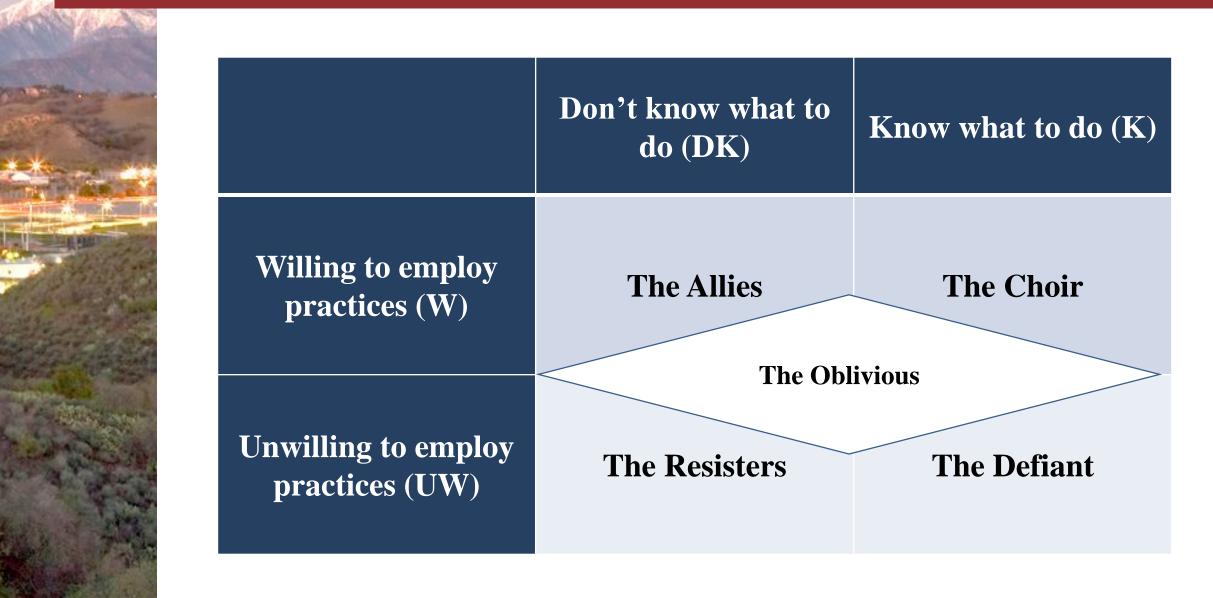
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45% Mt. SAC
33% Self

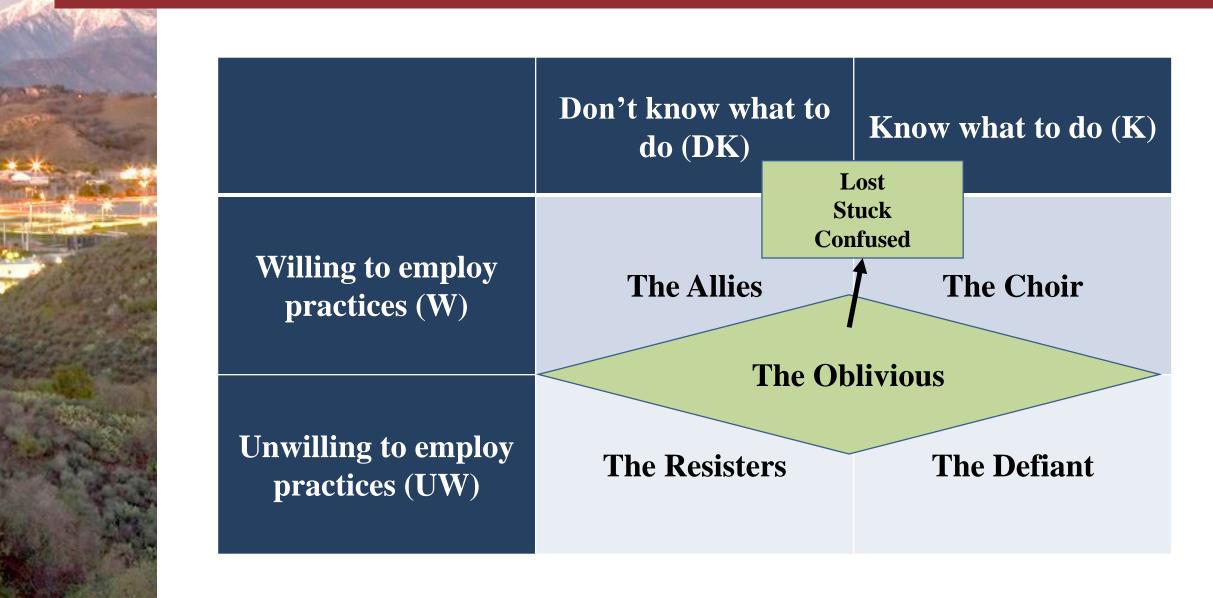
The Choir 40% Mt. SAC 65% Self

The Resisters
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1% Self

The Defiant
7% Mt. SAC
1% Self



#### Taxonomy of Educator's Perspectives (adapted)



## The 4 E's by Dr. Frank Harris

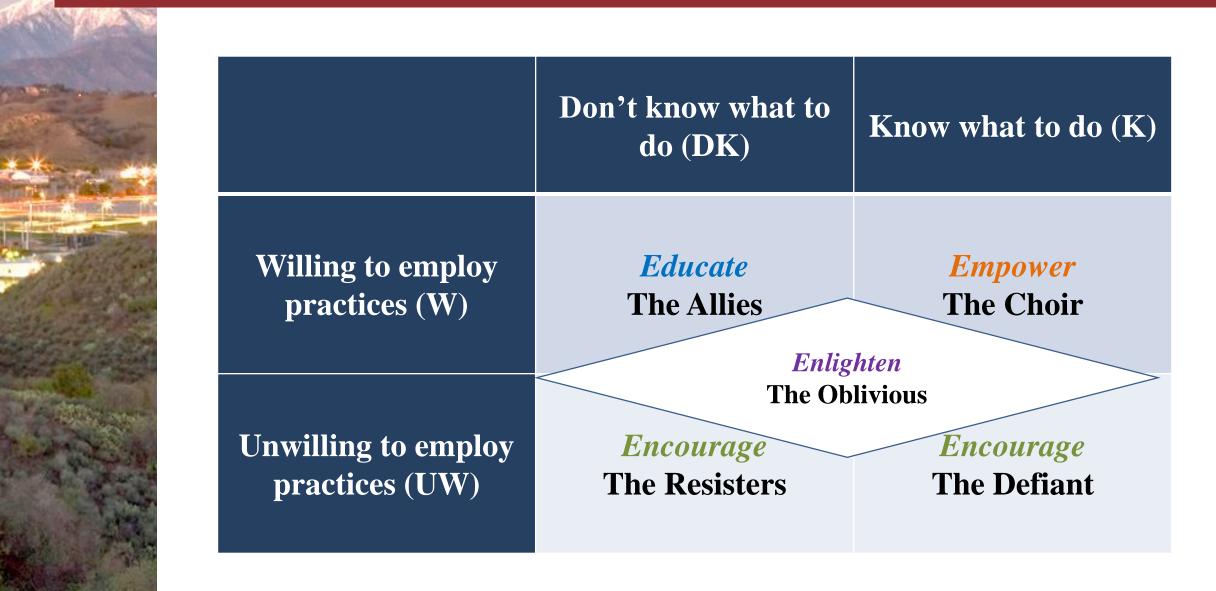


**EMPOWER** the Choir

**EDUCATE** the Allies

**ENCOURAGE** the Passive Resisters & Defiant

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### Dr. Frank Harris, III - Key Principles in Review

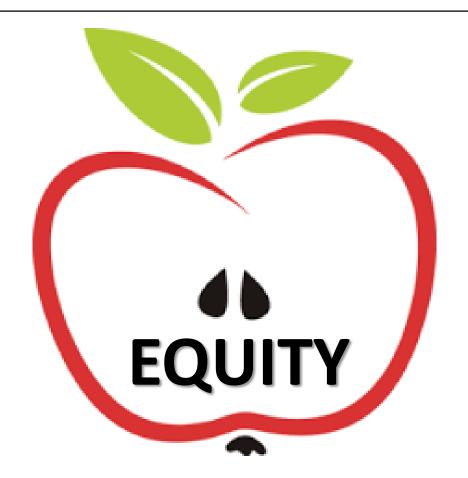


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### From today onward, what can I do?



Equity at the core of who we are and what we do



## Our Current Equity Mission Statement



The diversity of our students' cultural, ethnic, gender identity, socio-economic conditions, abilities, levels of educational preparation and linguistic richness, should dominate our actions and be pervasive across our instructional and student support efforts.

#### Working definition of equity



- Collective responsibility
- Inclusive
- Break down barriers
- Preparing faculty/staff/students for each other
- Address disproportionality
- Social justice
- Access
- Intentional

We have a collective responsibility to be inclusive and intentional, to break down barriers through access and social justice efforts, to address disproportionality and prepare our faculty, staff and students for each other.

