



Dear Manager or Supervisor

I would like to invite you and your team to attend our national convening, The Gathering, September 3-5, 2021 in Minneapolis, MN.

The Gathering is an engaging event for in-service, pre-service educators and professionals who are working to bring more equitable outcomes for students. This year's agenda explores topics that are currently relevant in the field, in particular social justice in education equity, challenges typically faced by educators of color and innovative programs addressing these challenges. Our event is timely and relevant given our current social and racial climate in our schools, communities and country. Participants will hear from leading educators, primarily educators of color who are on the front line in the field of education combating a host of challenges and will likely provide great insight into how others are working on similar issues. The Gathering is designed to be an affinity space primarily for educators of color to affirm and network. All are welcome to attend.

The Gathering will feature a dynamic keynote speaker, several showcase and scholar presentations, time to reflect, connect, and network with other educators of color from around the country. A summary of presentations is provided below

Keynote:	Mr. Abdul Wright, 2016 Minnesota Teacher of The Year
Showcase:	Mr. Markus Flynn, Executive Director, Black Men Teach Dr. Rashid Faisal, Lead Coach, Teachers College Columbia University Mr. Robert Hendricks, Executive Director, He Is Me Institute
Scholar:	Dr. Justen Seal, BMEU Research Dr. Rose Chue, MNEEP & IPMACT Dr. Rebecca Neal, Center for Excellence in Urban Teaching, Hamline University Tri-Chairs, of The Coalition to Increase Teachers of Color & American Indian Teachers in Minnesota

Networking with colleagues to share similar experiences and ideas will prove to be invaluable experience for all who are able to participate. Please check out the conference website at www.upliftmovement.org for additional details and follow the conference twitter stream (@UpLIFTMov) to keep up with buzz on our event.

We look forward to you and/or your staff attending. Our organization has worked closely with the hotel, Minneapolis Downtown Council and the IDS Center to provide your staff a memorable learning experience. A cost breakdown is provided for attendees.

The Gathering Registration

\$110 early bird (\$140 value | ends July 31)
Access to all scheduled activities, meals and a copy of the 2nd Edition of UpLIFT.

Hotel Registration

\$139 per night
The Marquette Hotel

\$140 regular registration (ends August 27)

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