

## THE 360 MONTHLY CONNECTION

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### NCSM ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Join Us at the 57th NCSM Annual Conference  
October 13–15, 2025 | Atlanta, GA

We're thrilled to share that our session, **"Elevating STEM Interest, Access, & Achievement for Black and Brown Students,"** will be featured in the Equity Rising: Transformative Practices in Mathematics Education strand at the NCSM annual conference this Fall!

In this interactive, research-based session, we'll explore how social and emotional learning (SEL) and culturally responsive teaching can dismantle systemic barriers and enhance student academic development, particularly in mathematics. Participants will:

- **Examine inequities in advanced math access and STEM pathways**
- **Learn actionable strategies to affirm student identities and counter stereotype threats**
- **Design inclusive instruction that empowers Black and Brown students to thrive academically and socially.**

 **Location:** Atlanta Marriott Marquis

 **Dates:** October 13–15, 2025

 [Learn more & register](#)



### WHAT WE'RE READING

How do we help young learners see themselves as mathematicians?

The [Racial Justice in Early Math Teaching Fellowship](#) is equipping kindergarten teachers to connect racial justice and early math learning.

One simple, powerful tool:  
**Numberless Word Problems** – Try this one.

**"Ricky has some quarters. He puts the quarters in stacks."**

**Ask: What do you notice? What do you wonder? What do you wish you knew?**

This slows learning down, invites reasoning, and creates space where every child belongs.

At Education360, we champion practices that build confident, identity-affirming math classrooms from day one.

## BEING A GREAT TEACHER DOESN'T MAKE SOMEONE A GREAT COACH

Mentors and coaches wear many hats and are often indispensable in their schools. **During our work with school districts across the country, we have found that many mentors and coaches had not received any training for their roles.** There was an assumption that because they were a great teacher, they'd automatically be good coaches. Certainly, there is a degree of instructional competence that any coach/mentor must have; however, **high-quality coaching and mentoring require a different skillset than teaching.** Without proper training, the powerful impact on teachers and students we hope to see from mentoring and coaching likely won't happen.

**Education360 has developed an engaging and interactive virtual training series for mentors and coaches.** For those looking to enhance your mentors and coaches' skills and create a stronger support system for teachers, call or email us to discuss how we can bring this affordable virtual series to your school. (We also do in-person training!)

Check out this article on [Creating Powerful Principal and Coach Partnerships](#).



### Education360 Services At-a-Glance

- Asynchronous Mentor and Coach Training Series
- Math Curriculum and Instruction Support
- Math Opportunity & Equity Audits
- Professional Development for all levels of educators
- Side-by-side coaching
- School-year launch support
- Leader Coaching and Learning Walks
- Speaker and Panel Moderator Engagement

### YOUR NEXT STEPS:

1. Go to our [website](#) and subscribe to get resources and stay updated on the latest & greatest in education.
2. [Book a free consultation](#) and learn more about our services to enhance teaching and learning on your campus or in your school district.
3. Share this newsletter with a friend or colleague.

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