



Religion & Education Collaborative

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REC Updates

Happy September!

Join us for an [exciting lineup of meetings and presentations](#) this fall. As we continue to navigate a highly unusual academic year, I hope that you'll see the REC as a place for conversation and support from your colleagues and new and old friends.

Our first meeting will be next week, Tuesday, September 29 at 1pm (ET). We will reconnect with colleagues, get updates on the exciting work being done by members around the world, and discuss additional REC initiatives for the coming year. Take a minute to add all of the fall meetings to your calendar now so you don't miss any! Additional details and a Zoom registration link will be sent several days ahead of each meeting.

In response to the survey in the last newsletter, we will be building a public directory of REC members to be hosted on the website to help facilitate networking and collaboration among members. To help with this project, please [confirm or update your contact information](#) and indicate if you would like to opt-in to be part of the directory.

I look forward to seeing you at an upcoming meeting. All the best,

Kate

[Register for the next REC Meeting](#)

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Fall Schedule

Reconnect & Recharge

[Add to Calendar](#)

Tuesday, September 29, 1pm (ET)

Catch up with old and new friends and hear about the exciting work across the field. Get inspired for a new year!

[Register](#)

"Examining Religious Commitments and Beliefs about Schooling," Callid Keefe-Perry (Boston University)

[Add to Calendar](#)

Wednesday, October 12, 4pm (ET)

"RE Teachers and Academic Knowledge on Facebook," Knut Aukland (Oslo Metropolitan University)

[Add to Calendar](#)

Wednesday, October 28, 12pm (ET)

Mentoring Round Table

[Add to Calendar](#)

Wednesday, November 18, 4pm (ET)

To be announced

Tuesday, December 8

Member News

Congratulations to Dr. Callid Keefe-Perry (Boston University School of Theology) who successfully defended his dissertation, "Schooling the Imagination: A Practical Theology of Public Education" in August.

Bryan Kelley was accepted into the Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty Fellows Program. Bryan is a policy researcher with the Education Commission of the States.

Recommended Reading

K-12 Classroom Resources

Using Graphic Novels for Religious Literacy

Many educators use graphic novels in the English and Social Studies classrooms to engage students in reading literacy. They also can be used very effectively to benefit

New Research

Do Street-Level Bureaucrats Discriminate Based on Religion? A Large-Scale Correspondence Experiment among American Public School Principals

student religious literacy. The powerful and eye-catching stories found in graphic novels appeal to students while also successfully demonstrating lived religious traditions. Dr. Tim Hall has compiled a short list of graphic novels that can be used in the classroom to engage students in understanding lived religions.

Steven Pfaff ,Charles Crabtree, Holger L. Kern, and John B. Holbein, *Public Administration Review*, Aug. 2020

This study uses a correspondence study to investigate religious discrimination among U.S. public school principals.

Read the [article](#).

Read [the summary](#) from the Washington Post.

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