



## **Suwinder Cooper**

Epoch Equity Consultant

Embracing Culture – Cultivating Competence

Suwinder Cooper is an Education Consultant specializing in Equity and Inclusion. She draws upon her broad-based experience in professional development and training in Human Relations, Cross-Cultural Counselling, Education and the Arts to collaborate, design and deliver creative customized training programs and services to Local Education Agencies (LEA's). She facilitates understanding between people of diverse cultures and backgrounds to address race and ethnic relations, implicit bias and disproportionality in Education.

As a Technical Assistant Facilitator with the State Performance Plan Technical Assistant Facilitator Program, (SPP-TAP) Suwinder collaborates with LEA's to develop and support implementation of Comprehensive Coordinated Early Intervening Services plans to address significant disproportionality in Special Education.

She develops successful district wide and school wide equity and wellness strategic plans, custom designs and delivers professional development culturally relevant/anti-bias training programs for students; teachers; classified staff; parents; clerical staff and district personal.

Suwinder Cooper has also provided leadership and guidance to LEA's across California to address human relations issues, campus climate and school safety. She has taught classes in education and counseling at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver Community College, and as an Academic Trainer, trained faculty and teaching assistants at the University of California, Irvine.

Suwinder earned a B.A. in Psychology and a M.A. in Education specializing in *Cross-Cultural Counseling Psychology* from the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. She is a certified True Colors Trainer and a certified anti-bias trainer with the Anti-Defamation League, Central Pacific Region and a member of the Center for Leadership in Equity and Leadership (CLEAR).