

A Community Book Study  
*featuring*  
**Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You**  
by  
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**AN OPEN BOOK: CONVERSATIONS THAT TAKE PLACE WHEN WE READ FOR REAL** is a Futures Funded Project. A grant created by Maria G. O' Brien, Media Teacher at Atlantic High School in collaboration with Shakia Brown (U.S. History) and members of the Diversity Squad. The book study is an opportunity to read beyond the pages of a historical text; inspire students to read with meaning, depth, and real-life purpose; and to help build bridges between us.

"Stamped traces the history of racism and the many political, literary, and philosophical narratives that have been used to justify slavery, oppression, and genocide. Framed through the ideologies and thoughts of segregationists, assimilationists, and antiracists throughout history, the book demonstrates that the "construct of race has always been used to gain and keep power, whether financially or politically," and that this power has been used to systematically oppress Black people in the United States for more than four hundred years". (Source: Goodreads)

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Read the assigned pages by the designated date and then post your comments to a designated Padlet. Follow additional instructions on the Padlet for the assigned weeks. On the fourth week participating individuals will meet either in person or virtually to discuss the book. Additional Panelist from the community will be invited to drive the conversation. The tentative date for this final event is scheduled for March 5<sup>th</sup>. Due to current circumstances and limitations--details for how we plan to discuss (in person or virtually) will be shared as we get closer to the culminating event.

**WEEK 1: Read Sections 1 & 2 (pgs. 1-78) and post to the Padlet by Friday - February 12, 2021**

**WEEK 2: Read Sections 3 & 4 (Pgs. 79-165) and post to the Padlet by Friday - February 19, 2021**

**Week 3: Read Section 5 (Pgs. 166-248) and post to the Padlet by Friday - February. 26, 2021**

**Week 4: Prepare to discuss & exchange with panel on March 5, 2021 (4 pm to 6 pm)**

Additional information is forthcoming:  
**Link to be shared 24-48 hrs. prior to meeting**