



**New York State My Brother's Keeper  
Virtual Symposium**

April 29-30, 2021  
10:00 AM - 1:15 PM

**Day 1 April 29<sup>th</sup>**

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Breakout Rooms

# **\*Breakout Sessions for April 29<sup>th</sup>**

**12:00 - 1:00**

**Breakout Rooms**

**Workshop Title and Presenter**

**Breakout Room #1**

Student Panel – Selected MBK  
**Moderator: Mr. Rashaun Banjo**

**Breakout Room #2**

The Pedagogy of Confidence in a Virtual Classroom  
**Dr. Yvette Jackson**

**Breakout Room #3**

Beware of the Mind Hustler During Trying Times  
**Dr. Alfonso Wyatt**

**Breakout Room #4**

MBK After Graduation: Three of Many Options -  
SUNY EOP, Teacher Opportunity Corps II and  
City University of New York's Black Male Initiative  
**Ms. Nichole Brown, Dr. Jerrell Robinson,  
and Dr. Shawn Best**

**Breakout Room #5**

Cultivating Genius: An Equity Model for Young Men  
**Dr. Gholdy Muhammad**

**Breakout Room #6**

Am I Living My Best Life? Key Questions to Consider  
**Baruti Kafele**

**1:05 Review of Key Takeaways from Breakouts**

**1:15 Closing Remarks and Announcements**  
Dr. Anael Alston, NYSED

\* The last 15 minutes of each breakout will be for Q and A.



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- 9:45**            **Virtual Check-in**
- 9:55**            **Housekeeping**
- 10:00**           **Welcome & Remarks**  
                    Dr. Anael Alston, Assistant Commissioner, NYSED  
                    Dr. Lester W. Young, Chancellor, New York State Board of Regents  
                    Dr. Betty A. Rosa, Commissioner, NYSED
- 10:10**           **Day 1 Highlights**  
                    NYSED Staff
- Announcements  
                            Dr. Anael Alston, Assistant Commissioner, NYSED
- Introduction of Keynote
- 10:20**           **Keynote: Michael Bentt**  
                    former Heavyweight Boxing Champion, actor, filmmaker
- 11:05**           **Stretch Break, Musical Interlude/or Commercial**
- 11:10**           **Ask A Mentor!**  
                    Michael Bentt, Patrick St. Ange, Marlon Rice, Dr. Roberto Padilla
- 11:50**           **Preview of Breakout Sessions**  
                    Dr. Anael Alston, NYSED
- Transition to Breakout Rooms**

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