Disclosing Your Disability LESSON Plan

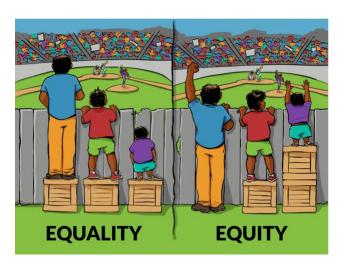
Lesson Objective: Students will examin college Accommodations that could be available if students chose to disclose their disability.

Materials Needed: Mark Salerno Questions, Disclose Your Disability, Case Illustrations for Accommodations, Observation Proposal Forms

- 1. Once you leave high school/transition program, letting others know you have a disability becomes your choice. Today we are going to talk about the pros and the cons of disability disclosure.
 - 1. Students define **disability**: a physical or mental condition that limits a person's movements, senses, or activities
 - i. What are examples of disabilities?
 - ii. Can you describe your disability? Who should you disclose your disability?
 - 2. Mark Salerno's Story: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GaB6xMHHQsQ (Watch from 0:00 to 2:00 then fast forward to 3:05 and watch to 4:30)
 - i. Students answer comprehension questions independently
 - ii. Come back to class and go over answers

2. Accommodations

1. Show Equality/Equity Cartoon: What is this cartoon's message? https://interactioninstitute.org/illustrating-equality-vs-equity/



- 2. Students define **Accommodation**: The process of adjusting or adapting something
 - i. Brainstorm demands of a college class
 - ii. What would be easy for you? What would be difficult?
- c. Students brainstorm: What accommodations did you get in High School? Make list. Would these accommodations work in college?
 - i. Students discuss accommodations given at Lane Community College. Students observe LCC Center for Accessible Resources Handbook: https://www.lanecc.edu/disability/student-handbook-chapter-1-student-rights-and-responsibilities (note: Accommodations are listed in Chapter 6 through chapter 18)
 - Ii. Students complete Disclose Your Disability writing assignment (May Want to Assign For Homework)
- 3. Accommodations right for you.
 - Students Break Into Groups (Zoom Rooms) and Complete Case Illustration Classroom Activities
 - Come back to class and share.
- 4. Make a plan to visit an Accommodation Office at a College!
 - 1. Discuss: One of the best ways to learn more about accommodations offered in college is to schedule a visit!
 - i. Brainstorm: Where/when can you observe an accommodation office? (e.g. local community college, local trade school, when schools open again)
 - ii. Who can you enlist to support contacting school and setting up a visit? Teacher, Transition Specialist, make referral to Pre-ETS through VR.
 - 2. Students complete Observation Proposal Forms (note: this is the same assignment as the High School Vs College Assignment. STudent can use the same form, have student add questions for Accommodation Office).