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Former Minneapolis Mayor and U. S. Representative Don Fraser started what has become the Minnesota Achievement Gap Committee in 2005. Since then the Committee has organized six to ten forums a year on either good work being done to eliminate the achievement/opportunity/culture gap or on critical issues that affect the educational outcomes of our children in Minnesota. You can learn more about the committee and see videos of many of our archived forums on our website, www.mnachievementgap.org.

Below is the fall forum schedule.

Forum on the Saint Paul Public School's new racial equity policy with Michelle Walker, Chief of Staff, and Michelle Bierman, Assistant Director for Equity, Friday, **September 20, noon to 1:30 p.m.**, at the Wilder Foundation, 451 Lexington Parkway North, Saint Paul, **Co-sponsored with the Wilder Foundation.**

Forum on Generation Next, the Twin Cities effort to co-ordinate the work of many organizations to overcome the achievement gap, with Frank Forsberg, interim director and vice-president for systems change and innovation, Greater Twin Cities United Way, **Monday, September 30, 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.**, Wilder Foundation, 451 Lexington Parkway North, Saint Paul, **Co-sponsored with the Wilder Foundation.**

Saint Paul School Board Candidates Forum on the Achievement Gap, Thursday, October 17, 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at the Hallie Q. Brown Community Center, 270 N. Kent St., Saint Paul, **Co-sponsored with the Saint Paul League of Women Voters and the Hallie Q. Brown Community Center.**

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Forum on the education reform proposal of the Saint Paul Federation of Teachers, "Schools St. Paul Children Deserve," with Mary Cathryn Ricker, president of the Saint Paul Federation of Teachers, **Wednesday, October 23, 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.,** at the University Lutheran Church of Hope, 601 – 13th Ave SE, Minneapolis (Dinkytown).

Date, Time and Place to be determined for these November Forums:

- 1. Minneapolis Public Schools Report on Progress to Reduce the Achievement Gap through Its Strategic Plan.**
- 2. Forum with three Twin Cities elementary school principals who have succeeded in closing the achievement gap in the schools they have led on how they succeeded, how their efforts could be replicated, and what needs to be done to change systems to overcome the achievement gap.**

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