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QEM PRESIDENT AND CEO IS PRESENTER FOR MARYLAND BLACK CAUCUS FOUNDATION’S 2030 BLACK AGENDA WORKSHOPS

(ANNAPOLIS, MD) Ivory A. Toldson., Ph.D., president and CEO of the Quality Education for Minorities Network (QEM), participated as a guest presenter in the Maryland Black Caucus Annual Legislative weekend held on Friday, November 15th at the Miller Senate Building in Annapolis. The Maryland Black Caucus Foundation is the nonprofit arm of the state’s Legislative Black Caucus, and it has devised a plan called the 2030 Maryland Black Agenda. For the second year, the group invited Dr. Toldson to participate on two education-focused panels.

“This group is focused on educational excellence in an intentional way,” said Dr. Toldson. The subject of educational excellence among African American students, especially our young male children, is often subject to lip-service at the policy level. We need legislators who understand that in order to affect real change, we must remedy the endemic issues that plague our current systems and methods of teaching our children,” he added.

Dr. Toldson participated on panels that addressed Educational Equity and Access, and Black Male Achievement. A best-selling author, Dr. Toldson was also asked to share his insights on the Charles County Maryland Board of education’s decision to start a “Fresh Start” academy to house what it considered to be disruptive Pre-K through Second graders. That decision is being challenged by the local chapter of the NAACP, and other civil liberties organizations. Most of the Members of the Charles County delegation also oppose the move.
Considered to be an expert on the subject of educating African American male students, Dr. Toldson’s bestselling book, is called NO BS (Bad Stats) Black People Need People Who Believe in Black People Enough Not To Believe Every Bad Thing They Hear About Black People. The book was published in January of 2019, and immediately became a best-seller.

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