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THE GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE ON HATE CRIMES HOLDS LISTENING SESSIONS

The Governor's Task Force on Hate Crimes, established pursuant to Executive Order No. 578. is holding listening sessions across the state in June to seek input on the issues of hate crimes, hate events and biased based incidents in schools and other educational settings. All members of the public are welcome and invited to provide input, comments and feedback on the following topics:

- 1. Best practices for identifying hate crimes, hate events and bias based incidents in school communities.
- 2. Major obstacles facing educators, administrators, school nurses and counselors addressing hate crimes, hate events and biased based incidents in school communities
- 3. Suggestions and recommendations for addressing hate crimes, hate events and biased based incidents in school communities.

The listening sessions will be held on the following schedule:

Springfield State Office Building, 436 Dwight St, Springfield, MA 01103, Room B42 June 7, 2018 4:30pm-6:30pm

McCormack State Office Building, One Ashburton Place, 21st Floor, Boston, MA 02108, Room 2 & 3 June 11, 2018 4:30pm-6:30pm

Worcester State University, 486 Chandler St, Worcester, MA 01602, Sullivan Building-Eager Auditorium June 12, 2018 4:30pm-6:30pm

Please Note:

- Task force members will not be answering questions at the listening sessions.
- Input from members of the public will be limited by time constraints and should be focused on the topics listed above.
- Written submissions are welcomed and may be submitted to The Governor's Task Force on Hate Crimes by letter, or email, to the addresses listed below.
- Please submit all written comments no later than June 20^{th} , 2018.

By Letter:

By Email:

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- All members of the public attending a listening session may be required to provide a photo identification to go through building security.