

April Meetup

The Racial Scoreboard Resources

Come to the conversation with context...

Podcasts to Listen to...

- [Diversity & Inclusion in the NFL with N. Jeremi Duru](#)
- [The Future of Sports with Barack Obama and Bakari Sellers](#)
- [Black Girls Talk Sports](#)
 - [Episode: Athletes React to George Floyd's Death](#)
- [Edge of Sports](#)
 - [Episode: Racism's Persistence in Sports](#)

Videos to Watch...

- [NBA Coach Doc Rivers press conference after the shooting of Jacob Blake](#)
 - To skip past game-related talk, go to 2 min 30 sec in the video
- [How Colin Kaepernick went from football star to civil rights icon | Nightline](#)
 - To hear high schoolers debate over whether Colin Kaepernick was right in not standing during the national anthem [watch this video](#)
- This whole YT channel: [Uninterrupted](#)

Articles to Read...

- On mixed athletes:
 - [7 Multiracial female athletes to celebrate](#)
- On athletes as activists:
 - [Meaning of LeBron James being told to shut up and dribble](#)
- On college sports:
 - [NCAA & the organized theft of black wealth](#)
 - [College athletes may be getting closer to being paid?](#)
 - [How the Missouri Football Protest Changed College Sports Forever](#)
- On racism in sports:
 - [Critical Race Theory in Sports](#)
 - [How "natural talent" is used as a weapon against black bodies & racist language used against athletes](#)

Articles to Read Continued...

- [Racial stacking in sports](#)
- [Racial double standards in sports](#)
- [Race & Sports, + How to address racism in sports](#)
- [A quick history](#)
- On current events:
 - [High school sports announcer uses the N-word on loudspeaker while athletes kneel against police brutality against black people.](#)
 - Response from this high school team's coach and his daughter (both mixed), [why they do and don't kneel during the national anthem & lessons learned](#)
- International:
 - [Mixed identity in UK youth football club](#)

Organizations to Look to...

- [Uninterrupted](#)
- [The Fritz Pollard Alliance](#)

Our Meetup Terminology + Definitions

- **Biological Racist** - One who is expressing the idea that the races are meaningfully different in their biology and that these differences create a hierarchy of value.
 - credit: "How to be an Anti-Racist" by Ibram X Kendi
- **Contra-fusion** - a way of reasoning that resists the formation of integrated mixed identities by emphasising the preservation of raced and gendered inheritances in the constitution of mixedness.
 - credit: [Sage Journal](https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/0038026120915159) <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/0038026120915159>
- **Equity** - "the state, quality or ideal of being just, impartial and fair." The concept of equity is synonymous with fairness and justice. To be achieved and sustained, equity needs to be thought of as a structural and systemic concept.
 - credit
- **Exploitation** - Exploitation is the act of selfishly taking advantage of someone or a group of people in order to profit from them or otherwise benefit oneself.
 - credit

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- **NCAA** - The National Collegiate Athletic Association, which claims to be founded to protect young people from dangerous and exploitative athletics, was actually created to avoid football being abolished altogether in the early 1900s for being too dangerous. Today it is a tax-exempt enterprise earning hundreds of millions of dollars in revenue per year “that seems most concerned with ensuring that “student-athletes” do not receive any compensation”
 - [credit](#)
- **Stacking** - A concept in which athletes are viewed as being particularly well suited to play certain positions and are therefore type casted based on race or ethnicity into those positions.
 - [credit](#)
- **Revenue** - The money that a sport organization brings in as a result of selling products and services and/or income, especially when of a company or organization and of a substantial nature.
 - [credit](#)
- **Rookie** - This is a term used in most every sport at every level of competition, NFL football included, to refer to a first year player. A rookie is not inexperienced in the sport, only at the level of play to which they have recently risen. Many NFL rookies have played their entire lives, including at college level. A rookie is not necessarily young, though this is usually the case. If a player has never played NFL football before, they are considered a rookie, despite their age. The slang usage of the term may refer to an individual who is inexperienced at the sport.
 - [credit](#)
- **Student-athletes** - The term “student athlete” means “an individual who engages in, is eligible to engage in, or may be eligible in the future to engage in, any intercollegiate sport. An individual who is permanently ineligible to participate in a particular intercollegiate sport is not a student athlete for purposes of that sport.”
 - [credit](#)
- **Wonderlic Test** - A timed 50-question aptitude test that football players take, meant to determine how successful a player will be in the NFL (mostly used for quarterbacks and offensive linemen). Developed in the 1930s by psychologist Eldon F. Wonderlic to help companies select potential hires on the basis of their math, vocabulary, and reasoning skills. It was introduced to the NFL by Dallas Cowboys coach Tom Landry in the 1970s and became standard practice to have every player take the test at the scouting combine. It is commonly criticized that the test is built and used with racial bias. In 2013, a new test was introduced to take alongside the Wonderlic called “Player Assessment Tool”, made by psychology professor, Harold Goldstein and lawyer, Cyrus Mehri with hopes to give clearer insight on a broader range of players.
 - [credit](#), [credit](#)