Monika Kincheloe

Monika is Vice President, Education and Youth Thriving at the Social Impact Exchange. In this role Monika supports strategy, development, and execution of the Education and Youth Thriving Systems Affinity Group, a growing group of education and youth focused funders and partners committed to advancing systemic racial and economic equity through their philanthropic priorities.

Prior to joining SIE Monika led the GradNation campaign at America's Promise Alliance, collaborating with community, state, and national leaders and young people to equitably improve high school graduation rates. She also led learning communities and knowledge sharing efforts to advance whole child school environments. Most recently, Monika created and led the Anti-Racist Alliance, a group of 14 youth-supporting organizations engaged in inquiry and dialogue on root causes to uncover action steps to create anti-racist adult supporters, youth leaders, and healing-centered practices in our non-profit organizations. Monika was formerly a program officer at the U.S. Department of Education in the Office of the Deputy Secretary and the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education working on a range of federal programming and state support. Monika started her formal systems work as a fourth grade teacher in the Mississippi Delta.

Monika earned a B.S. in Public Health from The George Washington University and a law degree from Suffolk University Law School. She is a mom and a cycle-breaker, a combination that enriches her life in surprising ways. Monika and her partner stay busy in Rhode Island with their three young kids who bring them endless laughter, joy, and requests for snacks.