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Classroom Management:
Fostering a Culturally Responsive Learning Environment:
Addressing Equity in School Discipline - March 2018

This resource guide includes research and other recent informative articles pulled from literature and the Library’s educational database service for schools, programs, service providers and families regarding the persistent social justice issue of racial disparities in school discipline, the critical necessity of addressing these injustices, and implications for promoting and engaging in culturally responsive discipline practices to establish an inclusive, safe, and respectful school climate for all learners. It should be noted that it does not represent the full scope of resources and information available on this topic nor serve as an endorsement of a particular resource.

Introductory Articles:
Where Discipline and Racial Equity Intersect

The author of this article, a high school English teacher, offers her personal perspective and insights regarding the commitment that the St. Paul (MN) School District has undertaken, beginning in the 2014-15 school year, to improve its approach to school discipline through the implementation of a district-wide clear, consistent, and culturally relevant discipline policy. This process included the hiring of Glenn Singleton’s Pacific Educational Group to provide “Courageous Conversations” staff development on how to talk about racism with students and with one another and how to begin to effect needed institutional change.

To learn more: http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=f5h&AN=118250719&site=eds-live&scope=site

You Can’t Fix What You Don’t Look At: Acknowledging Race in Addressing Racial Discipline Disparities

Racial/ethnic stereotypes are deep rooted in our history; among these, the dangerous Black male stereotype is especially relevant to issues of differential school discipline today. Although integration in the wake of Brown v. Board of Education was intended to counteract stereotype and bias, re-segregation has allowed little true integration. Thus, old patterns continue to be reinforced through the ongoing processes of implicit bias, micro-aggression, and colorblindness. Therefore, to effectively address inequity, the role of race must be explicitly acknowledged in addressing racial disparities in discipline. In this article, the authors put forward a set of recommendations for talking about and acting on racial disparities.

To learn more: http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=edb&AN=120622284&site=eds-live&scope=site

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Closing the Discipline Gap

Closing the Racial Discipline Gap in Classrooms by Changing Teacher Practice

Disciplinary Exclusion and Students With Disabilities: The Mediating Role of Social Skills

Early Warning Signs...to Disrupt Racial Inequities in School Discipline Through Data-Based Decision Making

Effective Leadership is Not Enough: Critical Approaches to Closing the Racial Discipline Gap

From Intervention to Innovation: A Cultural-Historical Approach to the Racialization of School Discipline

Out-of-School Suspensions of Black Youths: Culture, Ability, Disability, Gender, and Perspective

Protecting Black Girls

School Discipline Disproportionality: Culturally Competent Interventions for African American Males

Social and Emotional Learning and Equity in School Discipline

Systematically Addressing Discipline Disproportionality Through the Application of a School-Wide Framework

Teacher Race And School Discipline