



Council of Great City Schools

Taskforce on Black and Latina Girls and Young Women

1. To assist urban public-school systems in improving college and career readiness and the life outcomes of Black and Latina young women and girls by supporting the implementation of evidence-based strategies to educate girls from diverse racial, cultural, national, and linguistic backgrounds.
2. Improving the learning environment and climate in urban schools by addressing the racism and bias that contributes to the epidemic of violence, harassment, discrimination and bullying that hinders the progress of Black and Latina young women and girls.
3. Improving access to health information and comprehensive health care, including physical and mental health, to reduce teen pregnancy, premature parenting, and ultimately economic insecurity for Black and Latina young women and girls.
4. Improving the quality of professional learning that fosters a deeper understanding of educators' role in dismantling systemic and structural barriers and creating support systems needed for Black and Latina young women and girls' academic and life-long success.
5. Ensuring data collection, as well as the establishment of accountability and protocols, in order to monitor the progress of Black and Latina young women and girls across their diverse student groups in our member districts.