

# We need to shine a spotlight on the obstacles Black girls face in school.

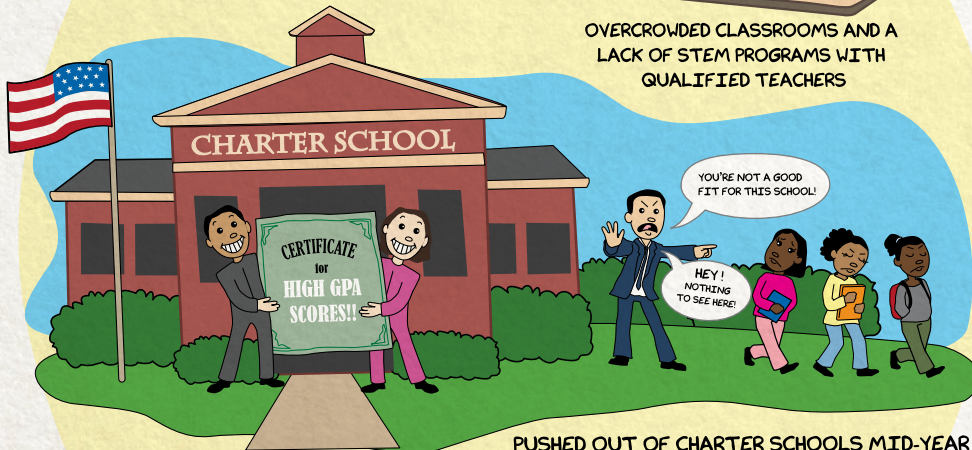


TARGETED ZERO TOLERANCE POLICIES AND OVER POLICING.

WHAT FACTORS PUSH THEM OUT OF SCHOOL AND CRIMINALIZE THEM?



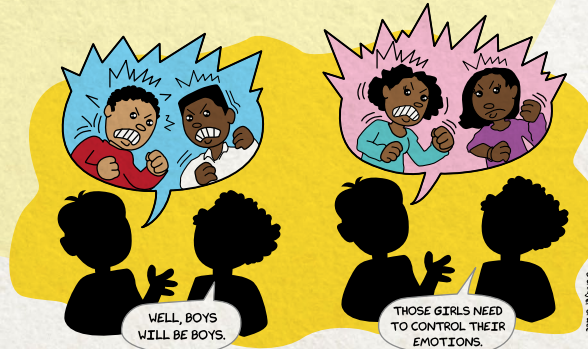
OVERCROWDED CLASSROOMS AND A LACK OF STEM PROGRAMS WITH QUALIFIED TEACHERS



PUSHED OUT OF CHARTER SCHOOLS MID-YEAR



LACK OF SUPPORT FOR PARENTING STUDENTS OR STUDENTS WITH FAMILIAL DUTIES.



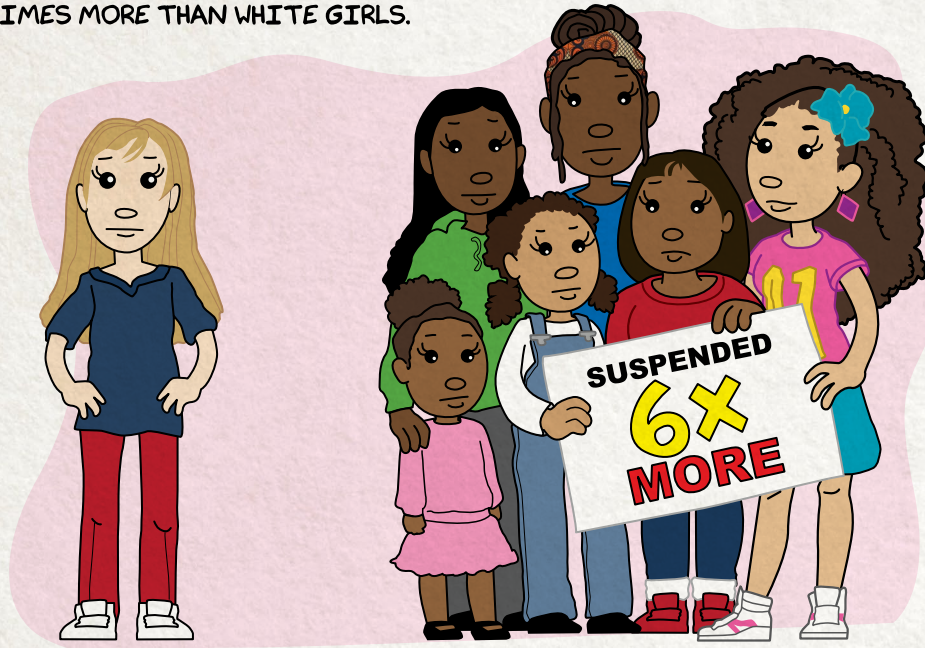
DIFFERENT PUNISHMENTS FOR THE SAME BEHAVIOR AND LACK OF SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS WITH TRAUMA.

Our children deserve better. Learn more and take action.



While the threat and overuse of suspensions hurts all students, Black girls and boys are disproportionately impacted.

ACCORDING TO THE MOST RECENT DATA FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, NATIONALLY BLACK GIRLS WERE SUSPENDED SIX TIMES MORE THAN WHITE GIRLS.



BLACK BOYS WERE SUSPENDED THREE TIMES AS OFTEN AS WHITE BOYS.



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Punitive rather than restorative responses to conflict disproportionately push Black girls out of school and into the juvenile justice system.



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The history of social change is also a history of Black girls and women organizing to build power and dismantle systems of oppression.

**Daisy Bates**  
President of the Arkansas State Conference of branches of the NAACP led nine black students in the effort to integrate Little Rock, Arkansas's Central high school (the group became known as the "Little Rock Nine").

**"The Little Rock 9"**



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CRIMINALIZING PROBLEMS INSTEAD OF SOLVING THEM DEEPLY AFFECTS BLACK GIRLS ESPECIALLY SINCE THERE HAS BEEN AN INCREASE IN SUSPENSION AMONG THEM.

**CHARLENE A. CARRUTHERS**

KNOWS THE IMPORTANCE OF FORMING GROUPS OF YOUNG ACTIVISTS LIKE BLACK YOUTH PROJECT 100



"INJUSTICE ANYWHERE IS A THREAT TO JUSTICE EVERYWHERE" IS MY FAVORITE MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. QUOTE.

OUT OF ALL PEOPLE SEARCHED UNDER THE "STOP AND FRISK" LAW, OVER 50% WERE BLACK WOMEN. THIS, AMONG MANY INJUSTICES, HAS TO STOP.

**BLACK GIRLS MATTER!**