

SISTERS INSPIRING CHANGE:

Uniting Voices

Wednesday, April 27, 2016 2:45pm-4:45pm

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Our goal is to change systems and cultures in expanded learning programs to allow for opportunities for women and girls of color to grow and develop and realize their full potential professionally and personally.



Norms

- Uphold honesty, transparency and confidentiality
- Acknowledge and respect differences
- Be willing to let go of what you think is right
- Assume positive intent, and acknowledge impact
- Share what you are comfortable with, and then some
- Trust those in the room to be compassionate
- Allow uncomfortableness



Raising Voices

"When a community loses its memory, its members no longer know one another. How can they know one another if they have forgotten or have never learned one another's stories? If they do not know one another's stories, how can they know whether or not to trust one another? People who do not trust one another do not help one another, and moreover, they fear one another."

From What are People For, by Wendell Berry

Raising Voices

Protocol:

- Facilitator at each table
- Individually reflect on prompt
- Each person shares uninterrupted (approx 90sec)
- Listen for common themes, values, experiences...

Prompt:

Describe a moment when you first realized difference and how it shaped your identity



Theory Meets Practice Panel

Moderator:

Angelica Ramsey, Ed.D.
Associate Superintendent, Santa Clara County Office of Education

Panelists:

- Kim Boyer, Ed.D.
 Executive Director, Central Valley Afterschool Foundation
- Stacey Bell Director, Youth Development Support Services, Sacramento City Unified School District
- Gabriela Delgado, M.P.A., M.Ed., PPS Project Specialist II, San Diego County Office of Education



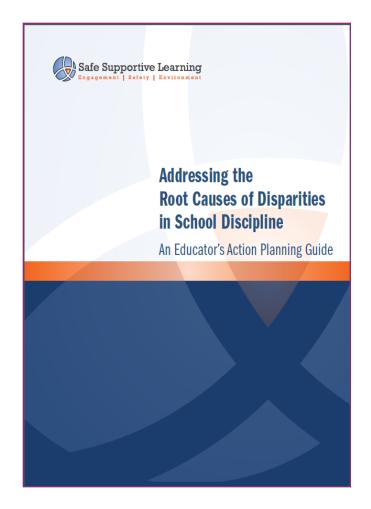
White House Council on Women and Girls Focus Areas

- Fostering school success and reducing unnecessary exclusionary school discipline.
- Meeting the needs of vulnerable and striving youth.
- Increased access to inclusive STEM education.
- Sustaining reduced rates of teen pregnancy.
- Expanding pathways to economic prosperity.

Source: Advancing Equity For Women And Girls Of Color, November 2015 (www.whitehouse.gov/administration/eop/cwg)



1. Fostering School Success

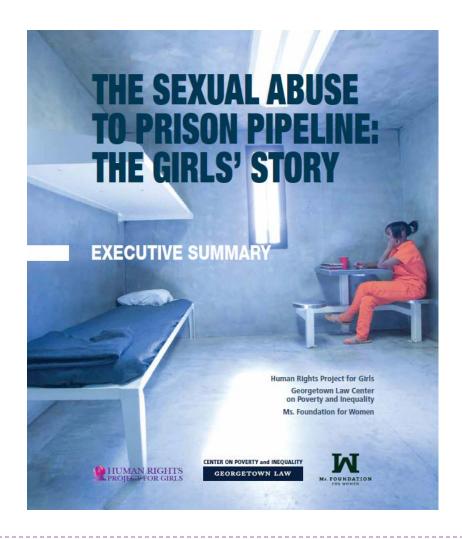


- Support school discipline practices that promote safe, inclusive, and positive learning environments.
- Enhance public awareness about exclusionary school discipline.

https://safesupportivelearning.ed.gov/sites/default/files/15-1547%20NCSSLE%20Root%20Causes%20Guide%20FINAL02%20mb.pdf



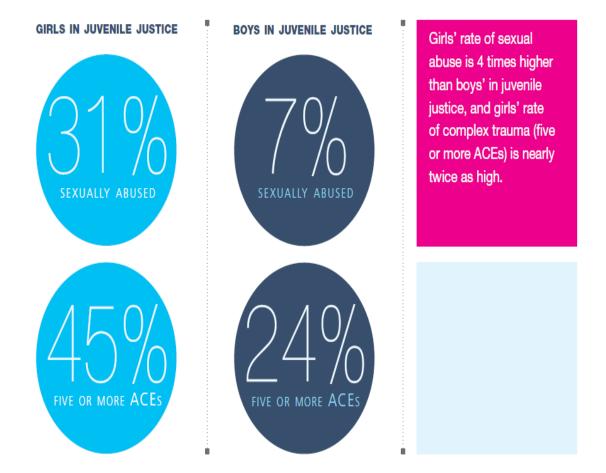
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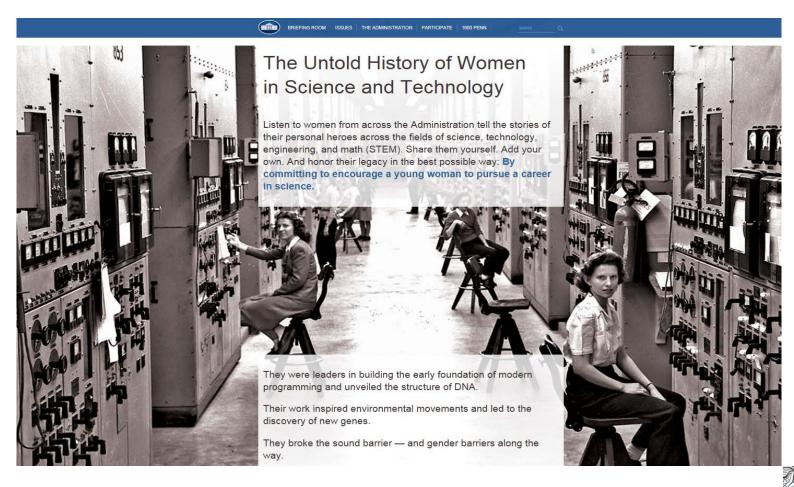
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Source: Michael T. Baglivio et al., US Dep't of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention, The Prevalence of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) in the Lives of Juvenile Offenders, 3 Journal of Juv. Justice 1, 9 (Spring 2014), available at http://www.journalofjuvjustice.org/J0JJ0302/J0JJ0302.pdf.

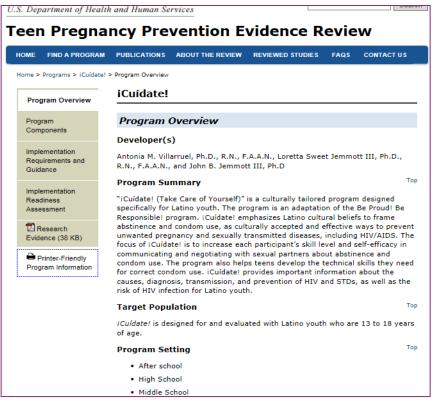


3. Providing Inclusive STEM Education



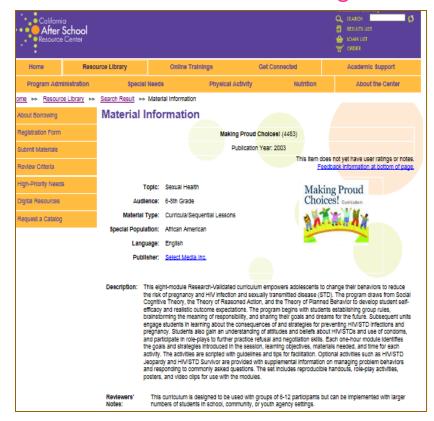
https://www.whitehouse.gov/women-in-stem

4. Sustaining Reduction in Teen Pregnancy



http://www.hhs.gov/ash/oah/oah-initiatives/teen_pregnancy/db/#

www.californiaafterschool.org





5. Expanding Pathways to Economic Prosperity



2/3 minimum wage



Gender-Based Learning Differences

Boys

Prefer rational evaluation and logic

Are achievementoriented

Attribute academic success to external factors (e.g., teacher)



Use elaborate processing to find individual connections

Are socially and performance-oriented

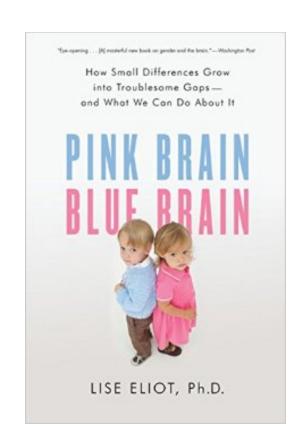
Attribute academic success to effort

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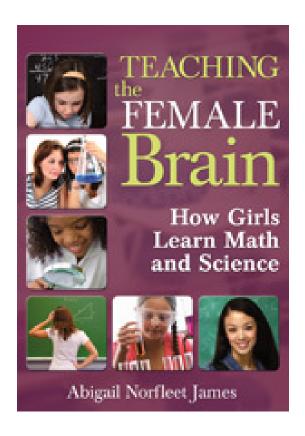
Emerging Research

"Language and literacy are learned skills. Education, not biology, is both the cause and the answer to sex differences in reading skills." -Fliot





The Female Brain



- Use color-coded systems (i.e. math sheets are all yellow, notes for parents are all blue, etc.)
- Help girls stay organized by color-coding notebooks (i.e. use a red notebook for math, blue notebook for science...this will help them easily find the notebook they need to work on)
- Some girls might be more sensitive to you raising your voice to get their attention. Try using a rattle, soft noise maker, or flash the lights on and off.



Services/Outreach for girls need to be...

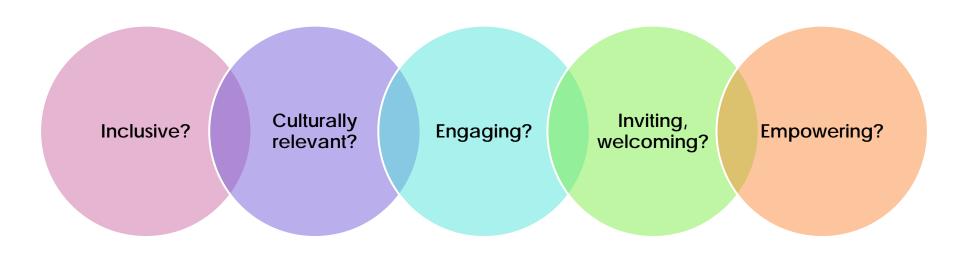


Trauma-informed

Developmentally appropriate



Is your programming/are your services...



Steps to Take...

- Find out what is happening in your community
 - Is there a larger initiative already in place?
 Who is part of that? How can WE be at the table?
 - If nothing currently exists, can your agency begin the conversation? Connect with others who are further down the road who may be able to provide insight and guidance.



Steps to Take...

- For your staff:
 - Assess their level of knowledge
 - Have a standard level of training so that skills are uniform
 - Have ongoing dialogue and provide support to meet the needs of staff AND youth

