

For the last 30 years, REACH Prep has been at the forefront of removing educational barriers ensuring talented Black and Latinx youth have access to life-changing opportunities. We are disappointed in the Supreme Court decision regarding race-conscious admissions practices in higher education and the impact it will undoubtedly have on our program and our Scholars.

We will not let this hinder our progress.

As I type this, Cohort 30 is learning at Prep Academy, middle and high school students are engaged in summer opportunities, college students are interning, and alumni are hard at work changing the world. Though this decision seeks to impact the education and workforce landscape, we remain committed to pursuing equity in college admissions and beyond.

At REACH Prep we are committed to:

- Empowering our Scholars to be proud of their heritage and tell their stories
- Supporting our Scholars as they pursue colleges that match their cultural and financial needs to ensure their best fit for success
- Partnering with allies in higher education who will provide opportunities reflective of the needs of our Black and Latinx Scholars
- Remain in community with our supporters as we forge a way forward that ensures our Scholars continue to be well positioned to achieve the lives of their dreams
- Continue to position REACH Prep as an actively antiracist organization

Though this is only the beginning of a long road ahead, I am proud to be on the front lines of this work alongside our dedicated team.

In solidarity,

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