**POSITIVE CULTURE IN SCHOOLS**

BHC-funded programs in South Sacramento schools have led to policy changes that will affect all students across the district. Starting pilot operations in certain schools, BHC grantees are working on getting to scale to work in all South Sac schools.

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**Tracking District-level Policy Change**

**Anti-Bullying Policy**

The SCUSD School Board adopted the Anti-Bullying policy in June 2011 to launch a comprehensive bullying prevention program focused on reducing bullying and harassment. Since its inception, the district’s Anti-Bullying coordinator and the Men’s Leadership Academy, high school youth are changing the narrative around health regarding boys and men of color, zero-tolerance policies, and the school-to-prison pipeline.

**LGBTQ TASKFORCE**

A youth advocacy team that connects SCUSD LGBTQ students to support services and advocates for inclusive practices at the district level.

**Youth Leadership**

An overnight leadership skill building program at Cal State, Sacramento, paired with on-going school-site based work to promote expanded student leadership across high schools in the Sacramento region.

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**In Context:** Sacramento City Unified School District and South Sacramento BHC Target Area

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**Legend**

- Schools with BHC-funded programs
- Leveraging Partnerships
- Collaborative Efficacy
- People Power
- Youth Leadership
- Changing the Narrative
- 5 Elementary schools closed in 2013

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The Men’s Leadership Academy (MLA) conducts community service projects and teaches a multi-cultural curriculum. Growing out of TCE’s Boys and Men of Color initiative, the MLA aims to provide cultural curriculum. Through the encouragement and advocacy of the Black Parallel School Board and the Men’s Leadership Academy, high school youth are changing the narrative around health regarding boys and men of color, zero-tolerance policies, and the school-to-prison pipeline.

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“Every student has the potential to be an important community leader of the future. Sometimes, the difference between success and failure is extra support from caring adults, which this program provides.”

-Superintendent Jonathan Raymond, speaking about SCUSD’s Men’s Leadership Academy