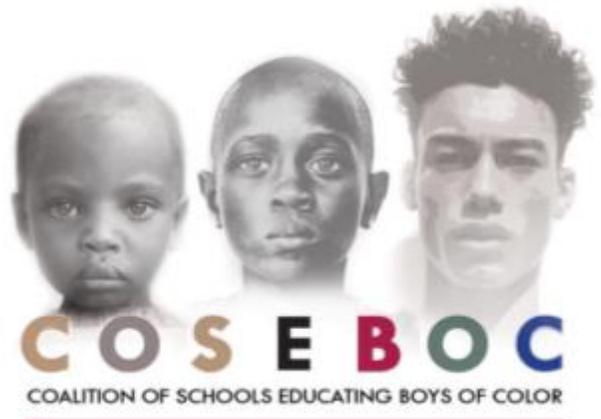


[Join the Conspiracy of Care](#)

Help us end these high rates:

- Pre-school Suspensions,
- High school drop-out rates, and
- Incarceration!



Dear First Name:

There are decisions that we make in a moment that live on with us for a lifetime! Today, I write to ask you to make another life-changing decision. Please join the Coalition of Schools Educating Boys of Color in **Conspiring to Care** for Black and Brown boys and young men, by [clicking here](#) to make a gift of any size.

Why should you make a gift to the **Coalition of Schools Educating Boys of Color**? First, every student deserves a great education...but, also, because you never know what the young boy in front of you might become. You, his mother, father, classroom teacher, family member or coach, hold the young boy's potential for greatness in your hands. Your gift is urgently needed by the **Coalition of Schools Educating Boys of Color** (COSEBOC) to continue providing quality, culturally responsive professional development for educators and community leaders in schools/districts representing 37 states in the U.S. We need your support to work on the following life-changing issues:

- ✦ **African Americans represented 48 percent of preschoolers suspended or expelled every day.**
- ✦ **Forty percent of African American males dropped out of high school. Latino males' follow close behind.**
- ✦ **African Americans and Latinos make up 32% of the US population, and they comprise 56% of all incarcerated people.**

What can you do? [We invite you to get involved.](#)

Rosa Smith former President and CEO of the Schott Foundation said it best, ***"I went to my son's school in the middle of the day to address an issue for my son. I could do this because I had a professional position that enabled me to visit my son's school at any time, when most mothers just don't have that opportunity. As I walked down the hall and saw several little black boys sitting in the hall, my single focus on my son changed! It was not enough for me to make education good for my son, I had to address his issue in a systemic way to make that same issue good for all little black boys in his school. My epiphany that day was that while my sons were first in my life, my work had to be about enhancing the lives of other people's sons because the challenges to a quality education and fulfilling one's full potential in America for black and brown boys are real and require love of the boys and commitment. From that day to this day, I continue to work toward quality education for all children with a special attention to barriers to their progress."***

We share this story, because Rosa Smith was the first person who believed in the Coalition of Schools Educating Boys of Color's (COSEBOC's) vision, and she was the first to make a monetary investment in that vision. Rosa's substantial gift helped to launch COSEBOC's nationwide mission to achieve excellence in educating vulnerable school aged Black and Brown boys and young men attending America's schools.

Now we invite you to join our Conspiracy of Care. The gift you make today will help COSEBOC to continue providing the opportunity to affirmatively impact the social, emotional, cultural and academic development of boys and young men of color pre-k through 12th grade. **Thank you in advance for [clicking here](#) to make a caring gift. Thank you also for being as generous as possible, as your gift will make a difference for generations to come.**

Sincerely,
Ron Walker
Founder and Executive Director