



PRIVATE SCHOOL VILLAGE

We partner with families to support their private school experience by increasing access to resources, information, and empowering them to collaboratively work with schools & advocate for support for all children. Our programs prioritize Black and Brown families, PreK-12th, but we encourage all families in private schools to partner with us in service of our mission as our work benefits all students.



WHY GET INVOLVED?

- Make an immediate difference in the experience of your child
- Meet like-minded parents in your school and in other private schools
- Gain confidence to use your voice
- Grow your understanding of how private schools work

HOW TO GET STARTED

- Subscribe to our emails & RSVP for programs/events of interest
- Follow us on Instagram, Facebook & LinkedIn @PrivateSchoolVillage and @SomosPSV
- Volunteer to be a Parent Ambassador

YOUR INVOLVEMENT SUPPORTS

Student Well Being/Belonging

- The impact of isolation is akin to smoking 11 cigarettes a day according to the Surgeon General. Racial socialization is the antidote.

Inclusive & Equitable Communities

- Parent engagement impacts student experience (e.g. creates experiences that are equitable and inclusive)

Systemic & Institutional Policy & Process Change

- Parent education, engagement & advocacy yields awareness and creates momentum in support of the needs of our community.

OUR PARENT PROGRAMS

Every effort is made to keep programs low to no cost for parents.

PSV Parent Ambassadors

The PSV Parent Ambassador Program empowers parents to successfully partner and advocate for children, reinforces the pride and power of community building and support, and it highlights our shared belief in a strong family-school partnership which is optimal for student achievement.

Racial Literacy Skill Building Sessions

In partnership with credible organizations and experts, PSV provides opportunities for parents, students, and administrators to learn about racial literacy and build this powerful, life-long skill. Whether it's hearing from experts like Dr. Howard Stevenson or Dr. Jamila Lyiscott or a more practical training session series provided by The Lion's Story, PSV knows that racial literacy skills are essential to thriving in private schools.

Trustee Leadership Program

This program is designed to help current Black Trustees feel better resourced and supported while establishing a pathway to board service for prospective candidates from the PSV community. Through a mix of focused trainings on best practices, governance, trends, and more, this program opens doors to board opportunities both within private schools and beyond while also resourcing and supporting current Trustees.

Racial Socialization Events

From the Sneaker Soiree, Back-to-School Picnic, Parent2Parent Mix & Mingle, and the Black Hair-itage Celebration to adult social gatherings, mental health skill-building, and more, PSV creates important spaces that foster cultural pride, celebrate tradition, inform and empower stakeholders, and support a sense of belonging among the private school community.

The Village Scholarship

The Village Scholarship (TVS) is a partial scholarship for outstanding elementary school private school students from low-income households. The Village Scholarship provides direct financial assistance to families that identify as underserved or from an underrepresented community.

The 'Summer Camp' Program

This program celebrates the memory of Summer Medford, a rising 10th-grader at Crossroads School for Arts & Sciences who lived life to the fullest. The program works to increase exposure to and representation in summer programs so that Black and Brown students continue to "see" themselves during the summer months. Additionally, the program promotes the participation in specific group travel opportunities that increase exposure beyond PSV's current footprint.