

## **TSA and Black Lives Matter**

In this time of personal and societal introspection, re-examination, and protest, we at the TSA Center for Resiliency, Hope, and Wellness in Schools stand with Black Lives Matter, and join the anti-racism movement to look for ways to make our society one of health, healing, and equity, where all students, and especially Black students, can thrive.

For over two decades we've had the mission of bringing evidence-based trauma interventions into schools with ethnically, racially, and linguistically diverse student populations, for more equitable and inclusive access to care. We recognize that helping students recover from trauma focuses on healing after a trauma occurs, not on the systematic policies and institutions that set them up to be exposed to violence, trauma, marginalization, and racism in the first place. We commit to examining our own work, unconscious biases, and privilege as we move forward in this community-partnered work.