# T.E.E.C.

Teaching for Equity, Empowerment & Community Healing

TEECH TRANSFORMS EDUCATION BY TRAINING FUTURE EDUCATORS AS COMMUNITY ADVOCATES BEFORE THEY EVER ENTER THE CLASSROOMS

#### **HOW THE SYSTEM CURRENTLY WORKS**

Education is top-down and hierarchical

Power to define/decide rests in schools

Educators disconnected from community

Community must assimilate to school culture



Teaching and administrative staffs n ot diverse

Educators want change, but don't know how

Those who need the most get the least

Communities rarely experience local chan

TEECH aims to address the disconnect between school and students' lives & communities by training teachers as community workers and advocates, increasing their capacity to effectively serve communities in which they teach.

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Program Pathway

#### Step 1

First and second-year recruitment into the program

#### Step 2

Engage in two summer, communityadvocacy practicums focused justice

#### Step 3

Summer curriculum that immerses pedagogy, theory, research on justice

#### Step 4

Fund final year of undergrad, during which TEECHers become credentialed

#### Step 5

Get TEECHers hired in areas that serve the demographic of their community work

#### Step 6

Engage TEECHers in ongoing 'Communities of Practice' on structural inequality

By drawing on their lived experiences and connections to community, TEECHers will be able to center their curriculum, practices, and relationships around culturally responsive practices — including the trajectory of leadership, policies and priorities of schools.

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#### Program Benefits

- A new model for education w/ community focus
- Excellent training for service in local areas
- Established connection with local communities
- Racial and Cultural Consciousness
- Two community summer interns
- Senior year scholarship for education concentration
- Guaranteed district job and community placement
- Guaranteed allocation of 10% of worktime in community advocacy work



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