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Education Call to Action

Join us in our education work by attending the upcoming Charleston County School Board Committee of the Whole Meeting to support Restorative Practices.

The meeting starts at 2:30 pm on Monday, November 6th (75 Calhoun). CAJM's Education Committee has advocated for 10 years for CCSD to implement Restorative Practices across the district. We're seeing progress! Restorative Practices is now a district priority and we are two years into a 3 year implementation plan. **Restorative Practices will be on the agenda next week. We need to show up, wear green, and support ongoing efforts for implementation.**

How can I support RP?

- Show up at 75 Calhoun Street for the 2:30 PM Committee of the Whole meeting! Wear Green.
- Email School board members about your support for Restorative Practices ([Board Contact information](#))
- Find the meeting [agenda here](#);
- At the moment, it does not appear that the board will allow sign-up for public comments but, if that changes, sign-up to voice your support here - [public comments](#)

About Our Work on Restorative Practices

Ten years ago at CAJM's Community Problem Assembly, we expressed concern that too many students were kicked out of classrooms. Black and Brown students were (and still are) referred to the office or suspended at much higher rates than white peers. Our research showed that Restorative Practices was a research-based approach to build relationships and keep students in classrooms and learning. Since then, we've advocated tirelessly for the implementation of RP across CCSD.

Support our Future Work on Education

Early this week at CAJM's Community Problems Assembly, we again voted to take on education as an issue. This time the need for our engagement stems from actions taken by a slim majority of the school board. This same majority could jeopardize the progress we've made in RP, just like they've attacked curricula, unfairly treated (and driven out) Black district leadership, and tried to reconstitute the Health Advisory Committee. We will move into a period of research on how to take on this issue—showing up to school board meetings is one way to witness what's happening right now.



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