THE VISION

Equal Opportunity Schools & Kingmakers of Oakland Awarded NBA Foundation Grant To Increase Access, Support & Economic Empowerment for Black High Schoolers

Equal Opportunity Schools (EOS) and Kingmakers of Oakland (KOO) are happy to announce a generous grant from the NBA Foundation in honor of the Foundation’s one-year anniversary. This award strengthens the EOS and KOO collaborative partnership to empower Black communities in three NBA markets: Atlanta, Memphis, and New Orleans. The one-year grant award will support the EOS-KOO collaboration to empower Black youth, school districts, and equity-focused education organizations.

Thanks to the NBA’s investment, EOS and KOO will roll out its three-pronged approach to meet these aims.

THREE-PRONGED APPROACH

ENGAGEMENT
SCHOOL, COMMUNITY, AND LEADER ENGAGEMENT EVENTS

NARRATIVE BUILDING
STUDENT-PRODUCED VIDEO SERIES FEATURING BLACK MALE STUDENT PROFILES

RFP PROCESS
ALLOWS SELECT DISTRICTS TO JOIN THE NETWORK

“We are beyond thrilled about this partnership. Kingmakers and EOS have been long-time partners in the education equity journey. The NBA’s investment means a great deal to EOS and it is the assist that organizations like ours need to bring about real systemic change in schools across this country. With the NBA’s support, we can continue building a team of in-school equity champions who identify, acknowledge, and support low-income and students of color.”

-Eddie Lincoln
Equal Opportunity Schools, Interim CEO
ABOUT EQUAL OPPORTUNITY SCHOOLS

Equal Opportunity Schools is a national organization serving school districts of all sizes. We are here to help better serve low-income and students of color and improve the accessibility of advanced learning classes. We provide tools such as a gaps chart analysis, equity pathways reports, beginning and end-of-year student/administrator surveys, best practices and support to make equity and improved access to rigorous courses a district priority.

WE'VE PARTNERED WITH MORE THAN

700 HIGH SCHOOLS

220 SCHOOL DISTRICTS

30 STATES

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INQUIRY FORM

For more information, submit the NBA Grant Inquiry Form.

“"We’re thrilled to celebrate our one-year anniversary by awarding 22 deserving organizations with new grants that will further their efforts and our shared mission to create short- and long-term opportunity for Black young people. The commitment shown by NBA players, teams and governors in our inaugural year has been inspiring, and we look forward to deepening our efforts and operating with intention to reach more youth in additional cities in the years to come, ultimately helping to close the racial wealth gap.”

-Greg Taylor

NBA Foundation, Executive Director

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