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Our Vision

Women of Color, Honor and Ambition (W.O.C.H.A) is a one-year initiative open to high school female students entering the tenth grade, and is specifically designed for female students of color. W.O.C.H.A is a partnership with the University of Missouri - Division of Inclusion, Diversity & Equity.

Upon Completion of the Program Participants Will Receive

- A suit from local clothier
- Executive leadership training from Dale Carnegie
- Mentoring from University of Missouri college students
- Health and wellness training from nationally renowned strength trainer
- A culinary class...

Goals

- Increase the retention rates of women of color
- Foster a sense of community among participants
- Support and challenge women of color to achieve academic excellence
- Develop an increased awareness surrounding business acumen, etiquette, professional attire, and social activities
- Promote involvement and inclusion in leadership activities
- Promote community service and engagement
- Academic support mechanisms, and social activities

Students will achieve academic excellence, graduate from high school, attend a College or University, and be empowered to become successful leaders and role models in their respective future careers.

W.O.C.H.A exists to provide personal, academic, cultural, social, professional, and leadership development to high school females of Columbia Public Schools in an effort to positively impact academic success, increase retention, and develop successful leaders of tomorrow, today.