

A GUIDE TO SUPPORTING BLACK LIVES MATTER IN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

In response to the murder of George Floyd, The Society of the Sacred Heart and the United Nations released statements condemning racism and calling for accountability and justice. Excerpts from their statements follow below:

“The Society of the Sacred Heart in the United States and Canada strongly condemns the gross violation of human dignity that we, along with millions of others, witnessed in the video of George Floyd’s last minutes [...] We pledge to raise our voice in opposition to acts of racial discrimination and to fight tirelessly against the sin of racism.”

-The Society of the Sacred Heart

“We must raise our voices against all expressions of racism and instances of racist behaviors.” Secretary-General Antonio Guterres also stated, “In every society, diversity is a richness - never a threat. Racism is an abhorrence that we must all reject. Leaders in all society must invest in social cohesion so every group feels valued. That means addressing inequality and discrimination, strengthening support for the most vulnerable and providing opportunities for everyone.”

- The United Nations

The Society of the Sacred Heart’s stance against racism is one which should be echoed within our community and one that the Model UN club both supports and commits to implementing moving forward. In accordance with Goal 3, a social awareness which impels to action, the Model UN club has compiled a list of resources for those wanting to be informed and involved in the Black Lives Matter movement. The Model UN club encourages everyone to be active participants (to be anti-racist) through education and donations in this national push to end racial injustice.

Education Resources

[Article](#) on White Privilege

[Video](#) on Systemic Racism

Catholic [Article](#) on Systemic Racism

[Examples](#) of Microaggressions

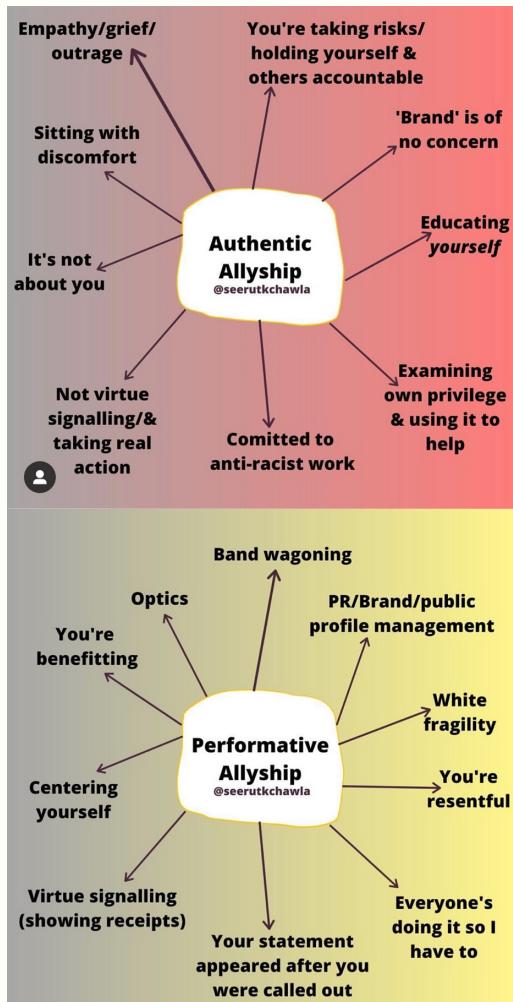
Black Lives Matter [Website](#)

Black vs. African American [Explanation](#)

Recommended Reading

White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism by Robin DiAngelo

How to Be Anti-racist
by Ibram X. Kendi



“IGNORANCE OF EACH OTHER IS WHAT HAS MADE UNITY IMPOSSIBLE IN THE PAST. THEREFORE WE NEED ENLIGHTENMENT. WE NEED MORE LIGHT ABOUT EACH OTHER. LIGHT CREATES UNDERSTANDING, UNDERSTANDING, UNDERSTANDING CREATES LOVE, LOVE CREATES PATIENCE, AND PATIENCES CREATES UNITY. ONCE WE HAVE KNOWLEDGE (LIGHT) ABOUT EACH OTHER, WE WILL STOP CONDEMNING EACH OTHER AND A UNITED FRONT WILL BE BROUGHT ABOUT.” - MALCOLM X

Petitions

[Breonna Taylor](#) [Jennifer Jeffley](#)

[Tony McDade](#) [James Scurlock](#)

[Amari Boone](#) [Sean Reed](#)

[Tamir Rice](#)

[Alejandro Vargas Martinez](#)

[Ban the Use of Rubber Bullets](#)

[Demanding Racial Data on Covid-19](#)

Places to Donate

[New Orleans Workers' Center for Racial Justice](#)

[NAACP](#)

[Southern Poverty Law Center](#)

[Helping Black Essential Workers New Orleans](#)

[Power Coalition for Equity and Justice](#)

[Loveland Therapy Fund](#)

[Black Women's Blueprint](#)

[Whitney Plantation](#)

[Amistad Research Center](#)

[Ashe Cultural Arts Center](#)

One of the best ways to actively contribute to change is to become aware of and support organizations that already working on these issues on a local and national level.

DONATE



**BLACK
BUSINESSES
MATTER**

SUPPORT BLACK-OWNED BUSINESSES

Making an effort to support specifically Black owned businesses/centers is an easy way to support to Black community locally.

Local Black-Owned Businesses

Lil Dizzy's Cafe

Brow Therapy

Sassafras

Grill Daddy

Loretta's Pralines

Morrow's

Vegan Wit a Twist

Peewee's Crabcakes

Cafe Porche

Snowbar

Community Book Center

Congo Square Preservation Society

New Orleans African-American Museum

Ashe Cultural Arts Center

Free People of Color Museum

McHardy's Chicken & Fixin'