Since its inception in 1996, The Black Star Project remains a trusted provider of tutoring, mentoring, parent engagement, and college preparation services.

Our mission is to improve the life-quality outcomes of less-advantaged Black and Latino communities and to close the racial gaps in academic achievement illustrated in the charts to the right.

Academic programs such as Saturday University, Math Boot Camp, and the Black Male Reading Academy target students who are behind and teach them how to excel academically.

You can make a difference by becoming a Black Star partner and sponsoring one or more of these programs!

With your support, we will continue to advocate for equitable outcomes while serving the students and parents in our communities.

Your partnership will provide hope and substantive opportunities for students and their families, and drive academic success in Chicago's most disadvantaged communities.

Contact us and become a partner!

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