

## Summer Social Justice Academy

The Youth Mentoring Collaborative's Summer Social Justice Academy (SSJA) is an intensive, three-week paid hybrid summer experience for youth to explore how to respond to some of society's most pressing issues impacting them. Students will explore topics including mental health, access to high-quality education, contact with the criminal justice system, and economic opportunities.



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You have to get over the fear of facing the worst in yourself. You should instead fear unexamined racism. Fear the thought that right now, you could be contributing to the oppression of others and you don't know it. But do not fear those who bring that oppression to light. Do not fear the opportunity to do better.

Ijeoma Oluo, So You Want to Talk About Race

## The Details

We are accepting twenty-five (25) rising 9th through 12th graders who participate in mentoring programs to the 2023 Summer Social Justice Academy. Students will gather for a two-and-a-half day inperson opening ceremony and orientation, followed by two weeks of virtual content. The Academy will close with an in-person day of celebration and next steps.

- Students receive a \$250.00 stipend for participation
- Program dates: July 10-July 27 on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays
- Some travel to Durham, NC is required
- Must be currently in a mentoring program



**Learn more** and apply by scanning the QR code, or by visiting

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Applications are due no later than Friday, April 28, 2023 at 11:59pm.

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