



TUMAINI DC



# THE TUMAINI WAY

A Culturally Responsive Social and Emotional Learning Curriculum and Program

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# ABOUT US

Tumaini DC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides evidence-based Social and Emotional and Learning programming and curricula for students in the classroom and community-based settings. Founded by Portia Richardson, a native of Washington, DC, Tumaini DC has impacted 10k+ students through The "Tumaini Way," a culturally responsive social and emotional learning curriculum, developed to provide middle and high school students with tools to positively impact their communities through social emotional awareness. The Tumaini Way is the first of its kind in that it is designed on the basis of the mindfulness, brain-based learning, cognitive behavioral therapy theoretical models, and social justice which support the five core Collaborative for Social Emotional Learning (CASEL) competencies.

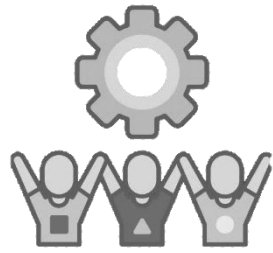
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## OUR VISION

Students Recognize the attitudes, skills, and knowledge needed to navigate, contribute to, and flourish in the world. School leaders and staff have the space and opportunities to develop their own social emotional learning needs as professions in education.

Schools are trauma-informed and equipped with knowledge, skills and evidence-based resources that perpetuate sustainable, positive school climate and culture. Students have the tools to build strong relationships, understand their emotions and manage those emotions in a safe, healthy way.





### **Civic Engagement + Social Justice**

Students choose a social justice issue that they are passionate about, study and reflect upon it alongside the SEL competencies, and develop an innovate solution as a culminating project.



### **Circle Up**

Each lesson includes a "Circle Up" Activity, which allows for authentic discussion using the restorative circle process.



### **Mindful Moment**

Students begin each lesson with a "Mindful Moment" to encourage awareness of the present moment.



### **Family Engagement Letters**

We ensure caregivers are aware of the SEL competencies of study and provide strategies for SEL at Home.



### **Think in Ink**

Students Journal by Responding to Thought-Provoking Questions and Reflect Upon Their Learning by "Thinking in Ink"



### **SEL web Assessment**

We use data from SEL web, our online direct assessment tool, to measure the success of our curriculum and determine areas of growth.





# WHERE WE FIT IN

## Whole-Child Approach to Teaching & Learning

A Comprehensive curriculum and program designed on the basis of mindfulness, brain-based learning, cognitive behavioral therapy, family engagement, social justice, and builds upon the five core Collaborative for Social Emotional Learning (CASEL) competencies. We combine training, assessment, progress monitoring, and parent engagement to ensure a holistic approach to student success.

## Comprehensive Social Emotional Learning Framework

SUMMIT LEARNING

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TEACHFOR AMERICA



ASCD  
WHOLE CHILD  
NETWORK™



Responsive Classroom®

TEACHING TOLERANCE  
A PROJECT OF THE SOUTHERN ROBERTS LAW CENTER

Mindful Schools



Afterschool Alliance

Education  
An EL Education Network School



PBIS Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports  
OSEP TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER

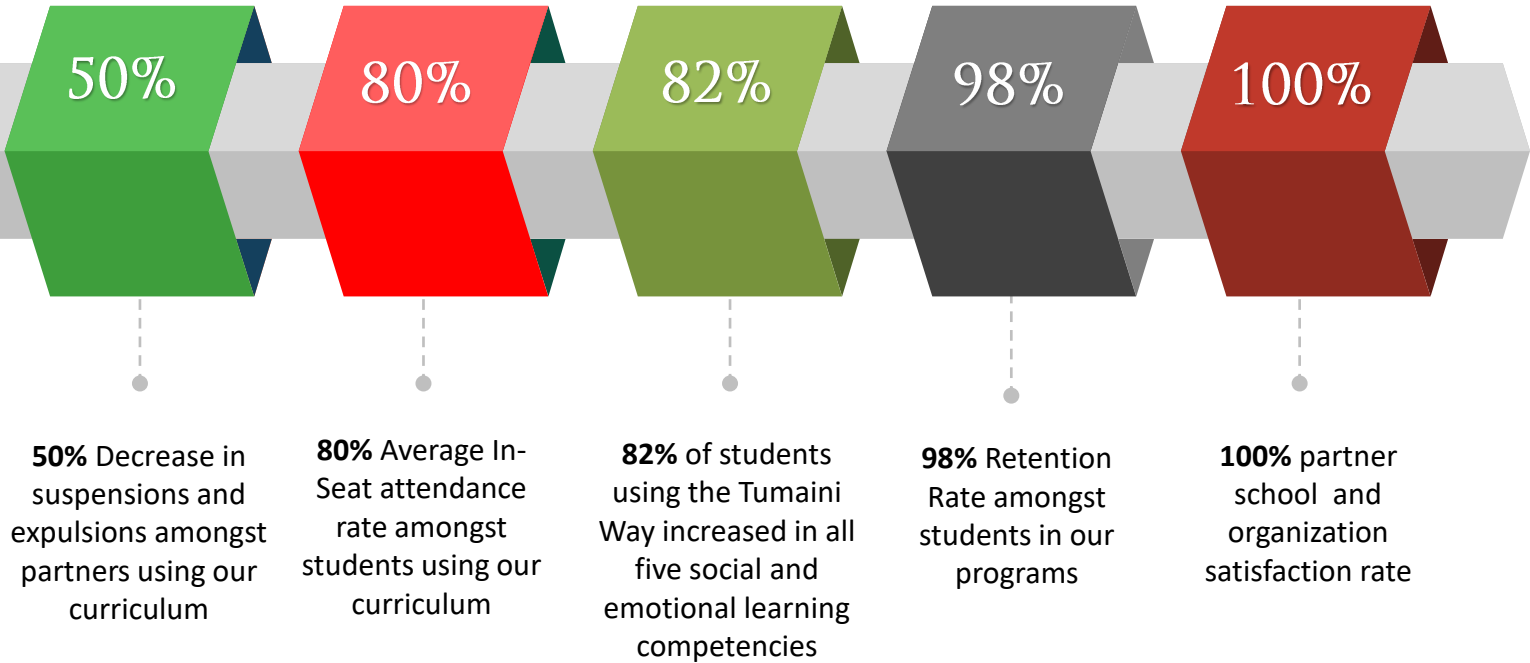
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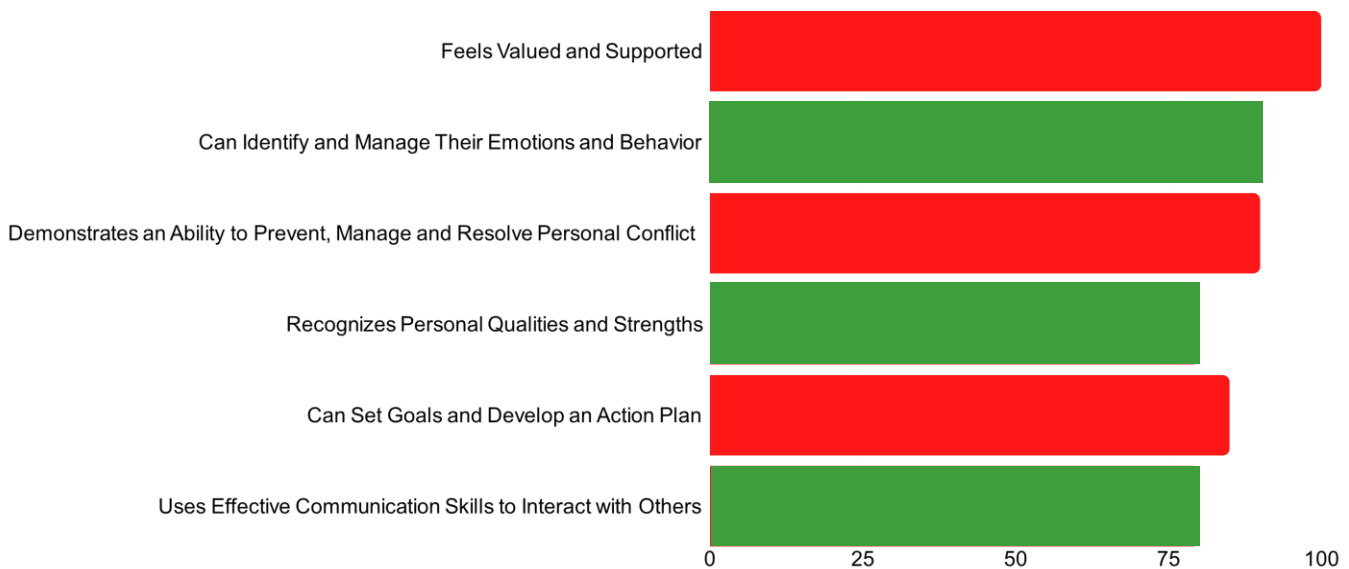


# OUR IMPACT

THE TUMAINI WAY SEL CURRICULUM HAS IMPACTED **10K+** STUDENTS.



## Student-Centered Data-Driven.



# SOCIAL ENRICHMENT WHILE SOCIAL DISTANCING



## **Closing the Digital Divide**

provided 100+ students with Chromebooks and hyperx headsets to low-income families.

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## **Social Enrichment While Social Distancing**

Partnered with celebrity guests to facilitate virtual SEL and entrepreneurship workshops for students in low-income communities

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## **Professional Development**

Provided virtual SEL professional development to over 1000 teachers, administrators, and district leaders.

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## **Serving Families in Need**

Adopted 8 families from Bethany, Inc transitional home to provide coats, learning toys, and leveled reading books to families.

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## **Summer Virtual SEL Academy**

Tumaini DC partnered with Ron Brown All Boys College Prep High School in Washington DC to facilitate a 5-week social and emotional learning academy for 15 students using the Tumaini Way SEL Curriculum.



# TESTIMONIALS



Janae Bailey  
Tumaini SEL Academy Participant

"Tumaini DC gave me a second chance at life when I wanted to give up. This organization taught me how to make better decisions, control my attitude, build better relationships, and get involved in my community. Years later, I am still connected to my Tumaini Mentor, who has helped me define and pursue my personal and professional goals."



Jashawn Evans  
Tumaini 2020 Virtual SEL Academy Participant

"During the COVID-19 Pandemic, Tumaini DC provided me with an opportunity to attend virtual sessions that assisted me with life skills that will lead to success in college and career. I am happy to be #TeamTumaini."



Muhammed Toumbou  
Tumaini SEL Summer 2020 SEL Academy

"The Tumaini Way Curriculum taught me that understanding your emotions and knowing how to control them is one of the things that separate men from boys. I have learned how to manage my emotions, advocate for change in my community, and build healthier relationships."



Ean Bowie  
Tumaini SEL Summer 2020 SEL Academy

"By going through the Tumaini Way Curriculum this summer, I learned that people are placed in your life to help and support you. There is power in empathy and I can change my community."



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