# WA-BLOC—BUILDING LEADERS OF CHANGE

# WA-BLOC's FREE Children's Defense Fund Freedom Schools @ the Central District (CD)

A six week, empowering program for rising 6th graders from the CD!

When: July 10th-

August 18th

Where: Summit Sierra School (1025 S King St.)

> Just 5 blocks from Bailey Gatzert)



You can make a difference!

- Foster a love of reading and learning through culturally responsive literacy and math activities!
- Participate in fun daily afternoon enrichments!
- Go on weekly Friday field trips!
- · Free Breakfast, Lunch and snack!



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Last year WA-BLOC scholars at Rainier Beach High School gained **24 months in reading** in just 6 weeks!!
They also grew in confidence and **cultural identity**!

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# Fueling Hope, Igniting Transformation

**The CDF Freedom Schools®** is a nationally proven summer program serving over 12,700 children in 107 cities. It builds strong, literate, and empowered scholars prepared to make a difference in themselves, their families, communities, nation and world today.



### **CDF Freedom Schools 5 Essential Elements**

Culturally infused Integrated Reading Curriculum (IRC) uses a book a day to teach literacy, communication, conflict resolution and critical thinking skills.



Intergenerational leadership development builds the leadership skills of scholars through an "I can make a difference" mindset.



<u>A National Day of Social Action</u> where scholars advocate for justice in their communities.

## Parent, Family and Community Engagement

Families can stay involved by: 1) Participating in daily morning singing and dancing (Harambee) 2) Serving as a "Read Aloud" guest 3) Attending weekly family engagement meetings 4) chaperoning Friday field trips 5) Participating in the National Day of Social Action.



**Nutrition and Health support** including 2 meals, a snack, and fitness enrichment.



WA-BLOC's Day of Social Action for Transportation Justice and its continued advocacy prompted the city of Seattle to donate \$1 million for Orca cards for under-resourced students. Social Action Transforms Communities!



### **Daily Schedule**

July 10<sup>th</sup> - August 18<sup>th</sup>

- 8:00-8:30-Breakfast
- 8:30-9:00-Harambee
- 9-11:45-Integrated Reading Curriculum
- 11:45-12:00 Drop
   Everything and Read
   ("DEAR)
- 12:00-12:30-Lunch
- 12:35-2:55 Enrichment
  - 3:00-Dismissal

\*times subject to change