



## Dignity in Schools Campaign National Conference June 5-6, 2009 ♦ Chicago, IL



### *A Collective Voice for Dignity in Schools*

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The Dignity in Schools Campaign is convening an historic national conference to develop a **National Resolution on Ending School Pushout**. Children across the country are being pushed out of school by harsh disciplinary tactics, lack of supportive services, and destructive school climates.

At the conference, advocates, students, educators, parents, school staff, administrators, and policy-makers will come together to reframe the national dialogue on school climate and discipline within a human rights framework and to affirm that the human right to an education includes:

- \* the full development of the child
- \* the protection of human dignity
- \* freedom from discrimination
- \* the right to participation of students, parents and educators

Participants will discuss policies and practices that promote dignity in schools, share successful advocacy, organizing, legal and media strategies being used on the ground, and strategize for national mobilization.

#### **For more information about the conference**

Visit [www.dignityinschools.org/national-conference](http://www.dignityinschools.org/national-conference) or  
contact [conference@dignityinschools.org](mailto:conference@dignityinschools.org)

Travel scholarships are available by application.

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*The Dignity in Schools Campaign (DSC) challenges the systemic problem of pushout in our nation's schools and advocates for the human right of every child to a quality education and to be treated with dignity. The DSC unites policy advocates, parent and student organizers, educators and lawyers in a campaign to promote local and national alternatives to a culture of zero-tolerance, punishment and removal.*