



Challenging the School-to-Prison Pipeline Harms and Remedies

The New York Law School Justice Action Center's Racial Justice Project and the Racial Justice Program of the American Civil Liberties Union are pleased to co-sponsor a one-day conference for advocates, organizers, litigators, researchers, and students challenging the school-to-prison pipeline.

The school-to-prison pipeline (STPP)—the collection of policies and practices that push our nation's schoolchildren, especially our most at-risk children, out of classrooms and into the juvenile and criminal justice systems—reflects the prioritization of incarceration over education, particularly for children of color. More and more, advocates of civil rights, racial justice, education, and juvenile justice are coming together to combat this phenomenon and re-orient our nation's priorities in favor of quality education for all students.

This conference will explore the harms of the STPP and highlight strategies being used to disrupt the pipeline. In addition to two plenary sessions, the conference will include several break-out sessions, organized by topic (educational adequacy, police in schools, alternative schools, etc.) as well as strategy (impact litigation, public education, grassroots organizing, etc.), that will provide participants with meaningful opportunities to share ideas and strategize together.

Date: April 1, 2009

Time: 8:15 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Location: New York Law School
57 Worth Street, New York City

RSVP: Register at www.nyls.edu/stpp. The conference is free, but space is limited. Priority will be given to those who register by March 15.

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