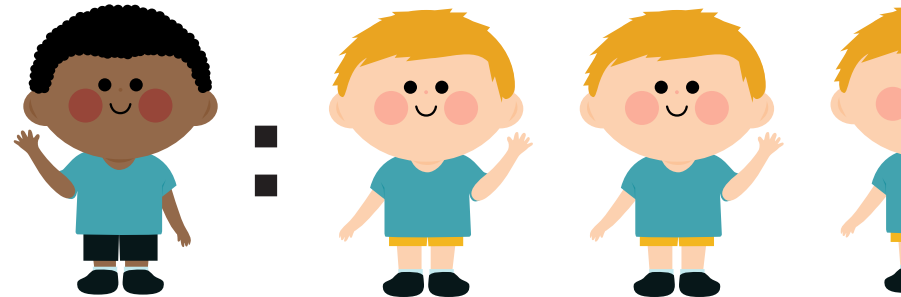


Racial Inequities in Preschool Discipline

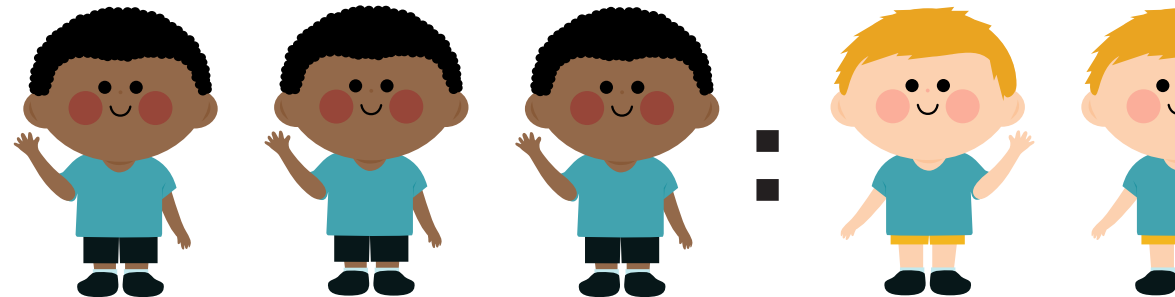


Preschool Enrollment

Black students, especially boys are disproportionately more likely than their white peers to face multiple suspensions from preschool.



Multiple suspensions



Disproportionate preschool suspensions are the result of adult behaviors.

- They arise from **implicit racial biases** which impact teacher expectations (Gilliam et al., 2016).
- Preschool suspensions contribute to **loss of vital school time** that contributes to the achievement gap and can begin students on a negative school trajectory (Losen, et al., 2015).
- Young students who are expelled or suspended are as much as **10 times more likely** to drop out of high school, experience academic failure and grade retention, hold negative school attitudes, and face incarceration than those who are not (Lamont et al., 2013; Petraset al., 2011).