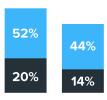
Overlooked Talent Pools Data Series

Black & African Americans in STEM



K-12 STEM Proficiency and Access

On average, Black & African American students score significantly lower in math than their peers.



4th Grade 8th Grade

- White students scoring "proficient" or above
- Black & African American students scoring "proficient" or above

The Nation's Report Card, 2019

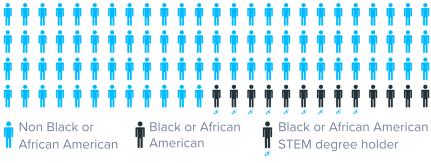


43%

of Black & African American students do not have access to a full range of math and science courses.

U.S. Dept of Ed., Office for Civil Rights, 2014

Postsecondary Attainment in STEM



Black & African Americans make up 13% of the adult population but hold less than 9% of STEM degrees.

National Science Foundation, 2019

Black & African American students are less likely to remain in STEM majors.



Black & African American Students



White Students

Riegel-Crumb, C., King, B, & Irizarry, Y., 2019

Representation in the STEM Workforce



- Non Black & African American Science and engineering employees
- Black & African American Science and Engineering employees

Black & African Americans hold only 5% of Science & Engineering jobs.

Black & African American STEM workers make, on average, \$23,000-\$30,000 less than their White & Asian peers.

\$85,000



■ White

\$78,000

\$55,000



Black/African American

National Science Board, 2018

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