



LATINO CHILDREN IMPACTED BY ANTI-IMMIGRANT POLICIES AND IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT AT SCHOOLS

With growing anti-immigrant law enforcement, schools must act to protect child, family and educator well-being.

CHILDREN AND IMMIGRANT PARENTS

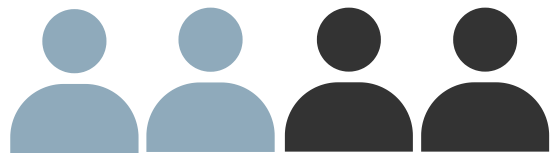
1 of every 4 U.S. children are Latino or Hispanic

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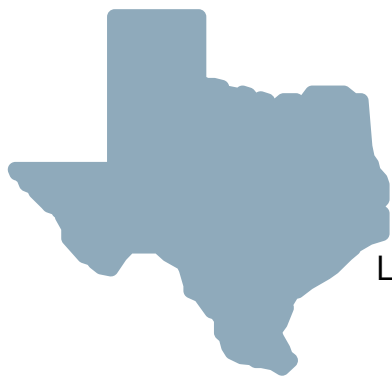


LATINO CHILDREN AND IMMIGRANT PARENTS

Within the Latino community, 1 out of every 2 Latino children have an immigrant parent



IMMIGRANTS, STUDENTS, AND EDUCATORS IN TEXAS



Immigrants make up 18% of the Texas population



Latino youth make up 53% of all children in public schools



Immigrants constitute 20% of Early Care and Education Workforce

THREAT, UNCERTAINTY AND MENTAL HEALTH

Chronic uncertainty and threat due to racialized, restrictive immigration climate can harm children and youth by increasing:



Anxiety



Inattention



Sleep difficulties



and reducing...

Emotional regulation

IMMIGRATION THREAT AND SCHOOL HEALTH

Restrictive immigration policy changes and ICE raids are associated with:

Absenteeism

Lower scores on standardized tests

Lower family engagement with schools

SCHOOL-BASED COMMUNAL SUPPORT CAN SUPPORT STUDENT AND EDUCATOR WELL-BEING

“Communal Coping” includes timely and clear organizational communication regarding the sociopolitical context and how the school is taking action to support students and educators, and peer-to-peer safety and support for educators to express and process their thoughts and feelings. This, in turn, supports student well-being.

Educator ability to provide emotional support to students and each other

Educator emotional exhaustion and likely student emotional distress.

EDUCATOR AND STUDENT WELL-BEING SUPPORTIVE POLICIES

School-based policies to promote communal coping

District-wide policies to minimize administrative burden on individual schools

Increased funding to implement these mental health and educational promoting policies and practices

City and County-led public health education campaigns

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