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A letter to Male Educators of Color

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Dear Gentlemen,

At the crack of dawn on just about any Monday - Friday, you are up preparing to engage hundreds of students in lessons that go beyond meeting standards or preparing for standardized tests. You ensure that the lessons presented are life-changing.

You are bringing real-life applications in a different way to classroom lessons. Interactive reading circles, costumes for in-class presentations as our favorite superheroes to demonstrate the importance of leadership, stewardship, and citizenship.

On any given day, you are using innovative ways to teach, empower, inspire, lead, mentor, tutor, uplift, heal, restore, engage, and interact with students.

Students anticipate and depend on you, showing up daily to school. Thus helping improve attendance and academic performance of many students who without you may be forgotten. Your presence moves mountains.

Profound Gentlemen is here to serve as a support system for you and other male educators of color across the country. We understand the barriers that you face that are unique to your identity. Thank you for letting us be there to make the load a little lighter and the journey more joyful.

Children need teachers in front of them who are a reflection of hope, an example of good character and enforcers of academic excellence. They need space to process what is happening in their everyday lives outside of the classroom. To the male teachers of color who have answered this call, PG salutes you! Your presence in schools matters.

Profound Gentlemen

More happening at PG

- Today is the last day of National Teacher Appreciation Day! Write a letter of gratitude to an educator in our network using [our virtual platform](#).

- THANK YOU! To all of those who participated in this weeks' Teacher Appreciation/ Giving Tuesday festivities. We make this work possible.
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