The Collective is Teach For America’s alumni association for alumni who identify as Black, Indigenous, and people of Color (BIPOC). Our distinct network of alumni has shared experiences of systemic oppression that continues to haunt our communities today. It’s important that we acknowledge this and leverage it to transform the system. The Collective’s program offerings and regional chapters mobilize this extraordinary network of leaders, and provides space to learn, grow, innovate, influence, and lead change efforts locally and nationally. We know that the change must be shaped by those of us who are most directly impacted by educational inequity. Now more than ever, it is our responsibility to truly harness the talents, perspectives, and leadership of our more than 20,000 BIPOC alumni by supporting their connection to and engagement with The Collective.

Vision
Alumni who identify as Black, Indigenous and people of color will influence and lead collective action that elevates the voices of our respective communities, in service of educational equity

Mission
To connect and develop Black, Indigenous and people of color alumni educators and cross-sector advocates who drive local and national efforts to advance educational equity and unleash opportunities for those most impacted by outcome disparities.

The Three Pillars of The Collective
The Three Pillars of The Collective are a framework for our national programming and regional chapters. These Pillars reflect what our alumni said was important to them when The Collective was founded in 2011.

- Community & Network Building
- Leadership Development
- Collective Action

Get Involved
Locally
Participating in a regional chapter of The Collective fosters a strong local network and creates space for alumni to exchange ideas and advance impact in their local communities. Many of our Teach For America regions have local chapters of The Collective lead by alumni and supported by a staff sponsor. Contact your region’s staff sponsor for additional information.

Nationally
Our national programs include, but are not limited to, The School Leaders of Color Conference, The Collective Career Conversations, and financial wellness support with a partner organization. These programs bring alumni together from across the country to connect and engage with one another, while also exploring their personal and collective leadership in the advancement of educational equity.

Stay Connected
Give us a follow on social media or email us for updates on programming, resources and opportunities, and spotlights on our Regional Collectives and alumni. We can’t wait to hear from you!

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