



Sankofa Saturdays is a cultural program designed to give the African-American child the Identity in growth and development. This creates an encouraged Self-esteem, work ethic, entrepreneurial spirit and strong sense of identity and community.

There are several factors Urban-GeoPonics and its staff have taken into consideration when it comes to applicable and immediate solutions for African-American youth. We understand identity and the lack of strong African-American images in public schools system curriculum as well as the staff. 8 out of 10 public schools 82% of the teachers are "White" women. 17% of The Nation's public school students are African-Americans while still only 11% of the U.S. population.

This has proven to be a huge culture clash between the two. When the majority of children in special education are African-American boys this equates to a ratio of 4:1 placement. The vast majorities of these instances is relatively behavioral and have absolutely nothing to do with their intellectual ability 17% of the population but 42% of Special Education

*"According to the U.S. Department of Education there were **8,166,353 Black children attending public school** and **430,972 in private schools** in the United States during the 2009-2010 school year. Of those in public school **488,233 are enrolled in charter school** meaning there are now more African American children in charter schools than private schools.*

*Of the more than 8 million Black public school students, 76 percent attend schools inside urbanized areas which include both city and suburban districts. Fifteen percent are in Towns which are defined as built up areas outside of urbanized areas with populations of less than 50,000 and greater than 2,500. More than half (**57%**) of **Black public school children live in the South** which is only slightly higher than the percentage of African Americans in the south as a whole (55%)."*

Knowing this information and much, we have devised a setting perfect for the right brained child. We have a setting for the 66% of the children raised in a single parent home. We have created an atmosphere to replace the mis managed public classroom

When it comes to dealing with children with ADD, we realize that 40% of those children have a nutritional deficiency. A need for reduction of white sugars, to suffering from mineral and essential oil deficiencies. Our nutritional concepts which are strictly organic and non MGO will curve these issues. Or simply healthy snack provided by Urban-GeoPonics. Fresh fruits and vegetables.

Our Programing will last from 10am-2pm

*A pledge or affirmation to themselves and community

*Reading & Math packets designed to boost levels

*We have all African-American Cartoons

*African Story time

* Learning & Recite the principles of the Nguza Saba and Ma'at

*Conscious Movie Hour, Discussion, with Nutritious Snacks (for Parents and Kids)

*Cultural Sports (Handball, Soccer, Volleyball, Badminton, Rugby, Football, Squash, Hiking, Gardening and others)

*Arts (Graphic Design, Graffiti, Contemporary Art, Clothing Design, etc.)

*Music (Hip Hop, Poetry, Drumming, Jazz, Folk, Reggae, etc.)

* Competitive Acts in academic area

*Field trips

* Did you know? Historical fact

One of the keys to the success is its being done by African-Americans who really love and care for the future of our children. We want them to be able to compete on an international level with the conscious of loyal to their community.