**Problem:** Afro-Caribbean immigrant children in disadvantaged neighborhoods in Brooklyn are having difficulty adjusting to their new homeland and are at increased risk for mental health problems, including behavior problems and anxiety.

**Solution:** In 5 elementary schools, prevent emotional and behavioral health problems by...

- helping teachers to better understand Afro-Caribbean culture and more effectively manage children’s behavior problems and anxiety in the classroom.
- helping parents strengthen children’s ethnic identity by focusing on the strengths of Afro-Caribbean culture as they raise their families outside of their home countries.

**Program:** Train teachers to use culturally sensitive and effective classroom management strategies, provide cultural workshops to parents, and provide mental health services to students and their families.

**Impact:** Teachers report increased cultural competence and engagement with parents. Increased ethnic identity in children was associated with less aggressive behavior in the classroom.