Dear TWR Community,

Over the past few weeks, The Writing Revolution (TWR) has taken time to reflect on how we can continue to make conscious efforts, internally and in our work, to be culturally competent and combat inequities in education.

TWR's mission is predicated on helping underserved students acquire well-developed writing skills and the ability to think critically so that they have the opportunity to succeed academically, in the workplace, and in life. We stand even more passionately committed to this mission as we see the impact of systemic racism on the U.S. education system.

Inequality in education has been a long standing problem in this country. The legacies of racist zoning policies and racist lending in buying homes have led to deeply underfunded schools and massive gaps in achievement. The racist stereotypes held of too many Black and Brown students have tragically prevented them from reaching their full potential.

Literacy is a key component in fostering individual agency. Expanding access to fundamental skills and knowledge is a critical way to start achieving equity in schools and much needed societal change.

There is absolutely no room for racism and prejudice in a just society and we stand with all those speaking out against the inequity, pain, and suffering systemically inflicted on Black and Brown communities.

Now as always, TWR remains diligent in its mission to provide underserved students with the tools they need to develop the literacy and critical thinking skills that will give them every opportunity to succeed. We will continue to keep you updated on our work towards that end.

In solidarity,

The TWR Team