



We Stories activates a critical mass of previously unengaged White families in St. Louis (or roughly 3,400 families) to view anti-racism as a parenting priority. Among those, We Stories organizes a community of hundreds of parent leaders who advocate for diverse and integrated experiences for their children, and this community is robust, cohesive, and engaged enough to influence family-serving businesses, service providers and government bodies, and put real heft behind region change efforts.

We built our program model based on a set of interlocking beliefs:

We believe that IF more families are provided with 1) resources to improve the way they engage their children in conversations about race, 2) connections to like-minded families, and 3) opportunities to add their voices to racial justice activism and policy change efforts, THEN the resulting community of families will become a force of positive change, BECAUSE many want to be part of solutions to make St. Louis more equitable but feel unprepared, isolated, or disconnected from action opportunities.

In addition to providing program support for libraries, schools, and teachers, We Stories has a Family Learning Program designed to support White parents in their capacity to understand, talk about, navigate, or address racism and our role in it.

The 12 week Family Learning Program includes:

- Four age-appropriate books per child that feature diverse characters, examine differences, and address race and racism
- Access to a parent curriculum with resources to support family conversations
- 12 modules of curriculum with thematic content, question prompts, curated resources for adult learning and children's book recommendations
- Opportunities to engage and process with other parents having similar experiences
- A chance to be supported by a program alum as a source of encouragement and collaboration
- A community of bonded individuals to share joys and concerns - from the personal to the regional level
- Fresh perspectives on St. Louis history, landmarks, and institutions
- Opportunities to begin supporting existing efforts to make St. Louis a better place for all families

To learn about how you can volunteer or collaborate with We Stories, please fill out an application or contact the organization directly.