



ASSOCIATION OF GERMAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS

*working together to support learning*

The Association of German International Schools (AGIS) represents and supports the educational and public interest of member schools and their communities by promoting and improving international education.

There are currently 23 full member schools who belong to AGIS which provides them with a professional support network in all matters relating to the successful management of international schools in Germany, in particular relations with the Federal Republic.

We are rooted in value-driven representation and unequivocally believe that we have a responsibility to stand up and speak out against racism and injustice.

As a representative organisation of schools with diverse communities and student bodies, we go far beyond tolerance, with the acceptance and celebration of cultures other than our own. We want to acknowledge people around the world who have lost their lives due to systematic racial intolerance and brutality, and who continue to be denied justice in society.

We urge our member schools to help students and colleagues across all racial and ethnic groups more deeply understand the realities of minority interactions with law-enforcement and judicial systems locally and elsewhere. We also encourage our members to form interracial and coalitions that peacefully oppose racism and pursue racial equity for all who are marginalised. We all must stand together.

AGIS  
STANDS WITH

Association of International Educators and Leaders of Color (AIELO)

IN ASKING:

What if  
all international schools and leaders...

- consistently celebrated diversity, fostered equity, and supported inclusion?
- removed historical legacies and systemic barriers that have been created in the international education space?
- consistently committed to listening to and learning from diverse voices, experiences, and perspectives?
- created and participated in courageous conversations and spaces that encouraged dialogue and the exchange of ideas?
- spoke up now about racism and all forms of discrimination in international education and around the world?
- became aware of racial and cultural blind spots by reading about, listening to, and collaborating with racially and ethnically diverse educators?
- focused on anti-racism work?
- challenged whiteness and white supremacy?
- were co-conspirators?
- actively amplified and mentored educators of all colors who come from all parts of the globe?
- said and believed #BlackLivesMatter?

Some of you may have seen this thought-provoking article doing the rounds:

[An Open Letter to the International School Community: Our Role in the Black Lives Matter Movement and Anti-Racism Work](#)