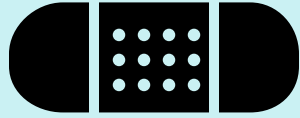


**"YOU OK, SIS?":  
CHALLENGING RAPE  
CULTURE WITH A  
SIMPLE QUESTION**

Presentation By Issachar Curbeon  
Program Coordinator of Get Smart B4 U Get Sexy



Sexual Health



Self Esteem



Black feminism

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**GET SMART B4 U GET  
SEXY**

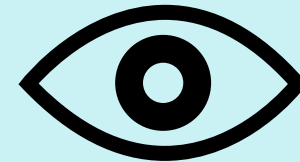
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Stereotypes



Healthy  
Relationships



Self-  
Confidence

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**GET SMART MISSION**

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**DECREASE THE HIGH  
RATES OF STD'S AMONG  
YOUNG BLACK WOMEN  
IN CALIFORNIA**

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# GET SMART MISSION

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- **Yearly Conferences**
- **Sex Speaks**
- **Youth Conferences**

**"ACCORDING TO THE CENTER FOR  
AMERICAN PROGRESS, MORE THAN 40%  
OF BLACK WOMEN IN THE U.S. REPORT  
NONCONSENSUAL SEXUAL CONTACT  
BEFORE THEY TURN 18"**

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Source: Everyday Feminism

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# **RAPE CULTURE:**

**-IDENTIFY**

**-ADDRESS**

**-DISCUSS**

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**SEXUAL HEALTH=**

**1. SAFE TO SAY NO**

**2. OWNERSHIP OF**

**YOUR BODY**

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**AGE: 15-17**

**SEXUAL HARASSMENT DEFINITION: UNWANTED  
TOUCHING, SUGGESTIVE LOOKS, SEXUAL  
AND/OR**

**INAPPROPRIATE COMMENTS, SEXUAL JOKES,  
SEXUAL/SEXUALIZED LANGUAGE**

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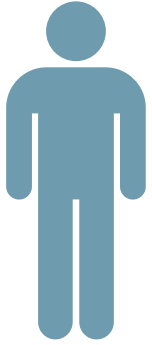
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Do you feel that girls are respected here on campus?

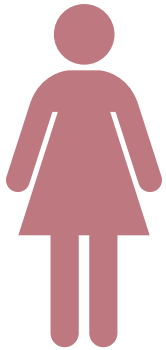


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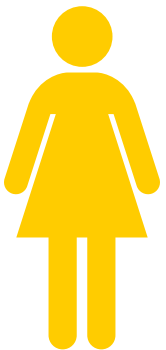
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(3) No



(7) Sometimes



(1) Yes

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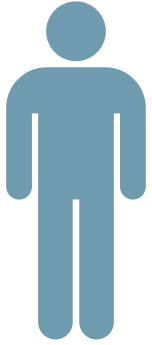
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Do you feel like sexual harassment is a big issue on campus?

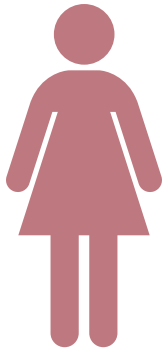


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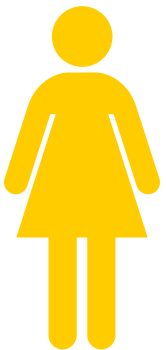
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(3) No



(8) Maybe



(1) Yes

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**"MY FRESHMAN YEAR  
SOMEONE TRIED TO  
STICK THIER HAND  
DOWN MY SHIRT"**

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**"...BUT THAT'S JUST  
HOW THEY ARE"**

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**"GUYS ON CAMPUS  
THINK BLACK GIRLS  
ARE RATCHET SO  
THEY HARASS US"**

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**"SOME BLACK GIRLS  
ARE GHETTO AND  
RATCHET BUT I'M  
NOT ONE OF THEM"**

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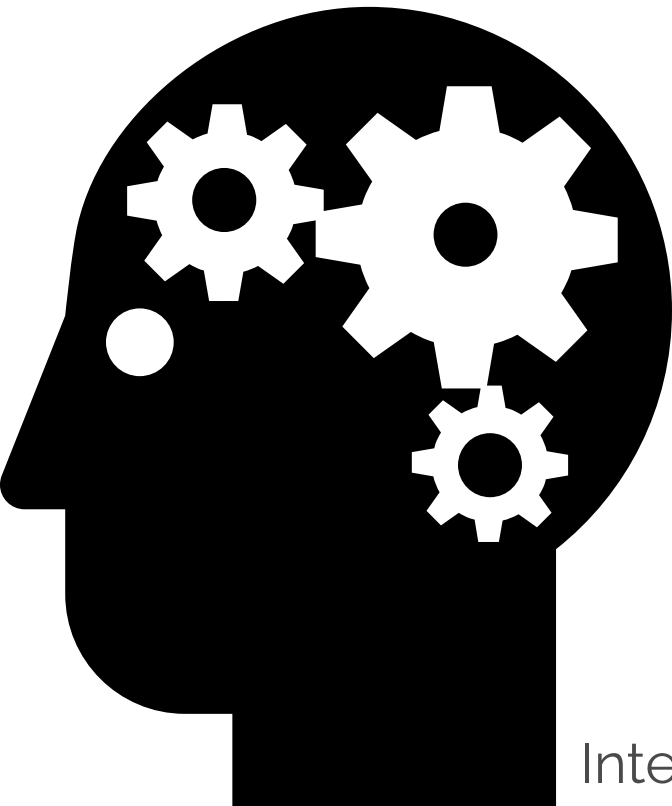
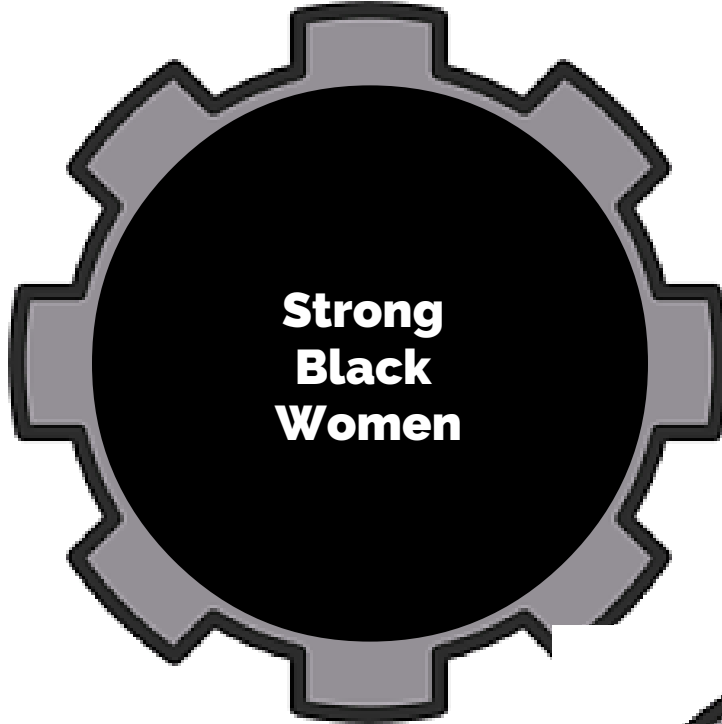
**RATCHET (2012)**  
**HOOD RAT (2003)**  
**CHICKEN HEAD (2003)**  
**TRANSLATION:**  
**POOR**  
**PROMISCIOUS**  
**"TRASHY"**  
**"FOUL PEOPLE"**  
**"VERY POOR IN QUALITY AND ABILITY"**

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**"SOME GIRLS ON  
CAMPUS ARE ASKING  
FOR IT"**

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Interlocking Gears of Rape Culture Professor Tricia Rose

**"RESPECTABILITY POLITICS SUGGESTS THAT ONLY CERTAIN BLACK PEOPLE ARE EVEN WORTHY OF RESPECT TO BEGIN WITH.**

**IMPLICIT IN TELLING BLACK MEN TO "PULL UP THEIR PANTS" OR A BLACK WOMEN TO "KEEP THEIR LEGS CLOSED" IS THE IDEA THAT IF THEY DO NOT DO THESE THINGS, THEN THEY CAN'T OR SHOULDN'T BE RESPECTED."**

## **RESPECTABILITY POLITICS:**

- 1. "UPLIFT" RACE WITH BETTER BEHAVIOR**
  - 2. TRANSFORM INDIVIDUALS NOT SOCIETY**
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# **"YOU OKAY, SIS?" CONCEPT**

**WHO: FEMINISTA JONES &  
BLACKGIRLDANGEROUS**

**WHAT: HASHTAG CAMPAIGN FOR BLACK  
WOMEN DEALING WITH SEXUAL HARASSMENT**

**WHEN: JUNE 2014**

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- 1. REDIRECT ATTENTION TO  
WOMEN AFFECTED**
  - 2. CENTER CONVERSATION  
AROUND OUR EXPERIENCES**
  - 3. NOTICE WHEN THINGS ARE  
NOT OKAY**
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- 1. CHECK IN'S - RESOLVE  
AMBIVALENCE**
  - 2. BEING PRESENT FOR OTHER  
WOMEN'S STORIES - PROBLEM  
RECOGNITION**
  - 3. ALLOWING FOR YOUTH TO  
SAY "I GOT THIS"**
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# **MOTIVATIONAL INTERVIEWING**

**O: OPEN ENDED QUESTIONS**

**A: AFFIRMING**

**R: REFLECTIVE LISTENING**

**S: SUMMARIZING**



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