Why: MPS Strategic Problem of Practice

Our students of color are not achieving at acceptable levels, and this adversely impacts their lives and the well-being of the Milwaukee community.
Mission

The Department of Black & Latino Male Achievement (BLMA) will collaboratively create the systems, structures, and spaces that guarantee success for all Black and Latino boys and young men in Milwaukee Public Schools (MPS).
Black & Latino Boys and Young Men will possess an affirmed sense of identity, dignity and self confidence and will have the necessary tools to triumphantly navigate college, career and life.
Key Messages

• Black and Latino male students are assets to our schools and community.

• Black and Latino male students are not broken, the system is.

• BLMA is not a savior, but a partner in improving academic and life outcomes for Black and Latino male students.

• BLMA is a hub between work happening at the city, state and national level.

• BLMA aims to collaborate with both internal and external stakeholders.

• Black and Latino male students are always the center of our work.
Then (2017)

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...and Now:

BLMA was without a Director from Oct. 2019 - May, 2020
Jeremiah Jackson, Jr. welcomed June, 2020