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 parents, schools, and community at:  
[www.blackpupils.com](http://www.blackpupils.com)  
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Some of our partners include:-

African Caribbean Community Development  
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 Church of God of Prophecy– Luton  
 National Black Boys Can Assn /Excell3  
 Local Schools

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# BLACK BOYS CAN LUTON



*“Maximising the learning potential  
 of Black Boys and improving  
 their life chances”*

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## Who are we?

Black Boys Can Luton is a project of the Family and Relationship Crisis Centre. It has been operating in Luton for approximately 8 years. It is also part of the National Black Boys Can Association's (Excell3) national network of Black Boys Can projects in the UK.

## What are we working towards?

Maximising the learning potential of Black Boys (*African/Caribbean/Dual Heritage Boys, aged 7 plus*), to improve their life chances.

## How are we doing this?

1) By working with OUR boys to:-

- build academic confidence, knowledge and skills with a view of unleashing their full academic and social potential
- foster an attitude of academic success and pride in succeeding. It's ok to succeed!!!
- Keep them focused and disciplined in their education, vision and dreams
- highlight and celebrate their successes and achievements
- Encourage them to use their gifts and talents for the betterment of their community

2) By working with their parents/carers to:-

- Support, encourage, equip and empower parents to successfully engage in their son's academic life

3) By working in partnership with their schools, their community, with businesses, Luton Borough Council, National Black Boys Can Assn, voluntary and other statutory agencies, to:-

- challenge the negative stereotype image of Black Boys
- provide resources to tackle educational disadvantages and to provide opportunities for black boys educational advancement.

## What does that look like in practice?

### School Based Partnership

Working with local schools through customised programmes to focus on empowering Black Boys within the school environment through:

- One-to-one sessions
- Group Sessions

### Community Based Partnerships

Working with individuals, businesses, community, voluntary and statutory organisations to provide activities that bring Black Boys together across Luton for centralised personal development workshops, educational visits, residential and enterprise skills development through:-

- Group Sessions
- One-to-One Mentoring and Life skills Coaching Sessions

### Aiming Higher Workshops/Parent Forum

Providing monthly empowerment meetings for parents/carers and their child/ren. These meetings are a valuable source for information, building mutual support, networking, problem solving and most importantly building a strong sense of community and identity around our children. The Forum is based around the principle that “**it takes a village to raise a child**”. The meetings also aim to reinforce the importance of parental involvement in educational achievement.

The Parents Forum can facilitate mediation and mentoring in supporting parents/carers with educational issues and concerns.

## Why Black Boys Can - Luton?

The motivation for setting up Black Boys Can Luton emerged from the concerns of parents and the Black Community regarding the academic disadvantages experienced by boys of African/Caribbean heritage as a whole, based around their ethnicity. The academic disadvantages is not just unique to Luton but also alarmingly reflects the national picture.

Black Boys Can Luton has emerged as community led partnership that ensures that local Black Boys are encouraged to achieve their academic potential and are supported through their own personal development and growth.

### Men of the Village

Black Boys Can Luton pro-actively engages men from our community through its “Men of the Village” concept to work with our boys as role models, mentors and personal development advisers. The “Men of the Village” bring a distinctive cultural perspective that is essential for the boys in their journey from boyhood to manhood within the UK context. All of our volunteers are CRB checked.

Our aim is to secure their rights to contribute to society as academics, leaders, doctors, politicians, engineers, directors, skilled craftsmen, entrepreneurs, or scientists. Black Boys Can Luton wants to ensure that Black Boys do not satisfy the negative stereotypical images portrayed and accepted by society.

### Workshops for Professionals

Our team of specialist staff are available to deliver workshops and consultancy for community and professionals for the purpose of supporting Black boys in their education and personal development.

