Transform Rhode Island Scholarship

"Youth are the torch bearers of our BIPOC communities. It is imperative that we sow the seeds of our cultures to create future BIPOC leaders."

~ Siya Singhal
Wheeler School

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BIG IDEA:

Siya's transformative idea is to diversify Rhode Island by weaving students of color, pioneers and passion together into one community. The work begins at the grass roots level by fostering a BIPOC community in every school community across the state. Crossing Borders, Creating Bridges is designed to diversify Rhode Island by providing youth access and connecting schools to non-profit cultural organizations through interactive seminars. Siya's mission is to develop and empower future BIPOC leaders and make school communities culturally encouraging environments, so that every student of color can feel culturally confident and understand the importance of cultural awareness.

HOW WILL SHE DO IT?:

Siya envisions a world where cultural confidence is every kid's superpower fueled by collective cultural awareness. She will connect school communities with non-profit BIPOC organizations through interactive seminars presented to elementary school students. The seminars will share the story of each organization's culture and traditions so that students will feel culturally confident, gain a sense of pride and go to school feeling unique, instead of different.

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