

IDEA 65 We cannot be against all* resistance of urban students to school; we have to enable opposition that is transformational

IDEA 65 suggests that *OpportunINDY* support Prof. Akom's idea that Black urban students will adopt a mainstream studious orientation to school if the orientation is developed through a Black achievement ideology based on critical thinking.

This IDEA, influenced by Akom's "Reexamining resistance as oppositional behavior" reveals how the academic lives of Black students are influenced by a schooling ethos or "habitus" which is rooted in racial and class distinctions and thus how the concept of "oppositonality" often originates in and is nurtured by schools themselves.

Akom does not suggest a "selective" accommodation or "segmented" assimilation. He supports the idea that Black students can be academically successful without being conformists and without rejecting their race-ethnicity.

<http://docplayer.net/8777780-Reexamining-resistance-as-oppositional-behavior-the-nation-of-islam-and-the-creation-of-a-black-achievement-ideology-a-a-akom.html>