

GRASS VALLEY 2021 MURAL REVEAL!

## **THE BLACK FAMILY ENGAGEMENT FELLOWSHIP WAS SPONSORED BY THE J40S COALITION**

The goal of the Fellowship was to provide an opportunity for Grass Valley families to engage in a "Black Equity Project" to address Anti-Black racism against students in OUSD. The school community was challenged to produce something that would have a positive effect on the academic and emotional outcomes for our Black students.

### **THE GUIDING QUESTION FOR THE MURAL: WHAT DOES "BLACK CHILDREN THRIVING" LOOK LIKE?**

INDICATORS THAT OUR CHILDREN ARE THRIVING SHOW THAT THEY FEEL:  
SAFE, HEALTHY,  
ACADEMICALLY  
PREPARED, EMPOWERED  
AND LOVED.



THE MURAL WALL BEFORE PRODUCTION...



## BLACK EQUITY PROJECT: LET'S CREATE THE VISION



Families had the opportunity to participate in the planning, design and production of the mural. Four 5th graders submitted essays to be selected as featured faces. These students also came with their parents to help paint.

# COVID SLOWED US DOWN - BUT IT COULDN'T STOP US!



Grass Valley parent Jamila Harris was the organizing Fellow who coordinated the project. Principal Beckner set aside funding for the project and we were fortunate to have artists Keena Romano and David Burke of Attitudinal Healing Connection to produce the mural.



THE MURAL WALL AFTER PRODUCTION...

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE INVOLVED. WE ARE EXCITED FOR YOU  
ALL TO ENJOY WHEN SCHOOL IS BACK IN PERSON!