EMPATHY INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

FOR STUDENTS REGARDING SCHOOL LEADERSHIP

QUESTIONS

1. Do you think the administrators at this school sincerely believe that students of color here can and will succeed at high levels academically? Why do you think so/not think so? What has happened to influence your thinking?

2. Do you think the administrators at this school sincerely listen to try to understand what students of color think about how the school might improve? Why do you think so/not think so? What has happened to influence your thinking?

3. Do you think the administrators at this school want to create situations where students, teachers, parents, and other staff members can talk about issues related to race or other characteristics that might be important? Why do you think so/not think so? What has happened to influence your thinking?

4. Do you think the administrators at this school try to design rules, programs, and procedures to help students of color succeed at school? Why do you think so/not think so? What has happened to influence your thinking?

5. Do you think the administrators at this school expect teachers to work with students to find out what students think? Why do you think so/not think so? What has happened to influence your thinking?

6. Do you think the administrators at this school are proud of the academic successes of students of color at this school? Why do you think so/not think so? What has happened to influence your thinking?

7. What would you like to see administrators at this school do to help more students of color succeed?

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