

# THE FACTS ABOUT HAIR DISCRIMINATION

# CROWN (CREATE A RESPECTFUL AND OPEN WORLD FOR NATURAL HAIR) ACT FACT SHEET

**1.5X**

Black women are 1.5 times more likely to be sent home from the workplace because of their hair.

**3.4X**

Black women's hair is 3.4 times more likely to be perceived as unprofessional.

"It goes beyond hair when across the country, school policies use the same language and reasoning to ban Black hairstyles...are grounds for discipline or removal from school entirely...[and] requires you to have 'good' straight hair that comes at the cost of your health."

Hair Politics: How Discrimination Against Black Hair in Schools Impacts Black Lives

**30%**

Black women are 30% more likely to be made aware of a formal workplace appearance policy compared to their non-Black counterparts.

## NATURAL HAIR DEFINED

Natural hair is hair that has not been chemically altered to change its kinky, curly, or coily state. This includes traditional Black hairstyles such as locs, braided extensions, twists, and fades.



## PROTECTIVE STYLES DEFINED

A protective hairstyle is a style that tucks the ends of the hair away from being exposed to damaging agents such as sun, heat, and constant manipulation.

