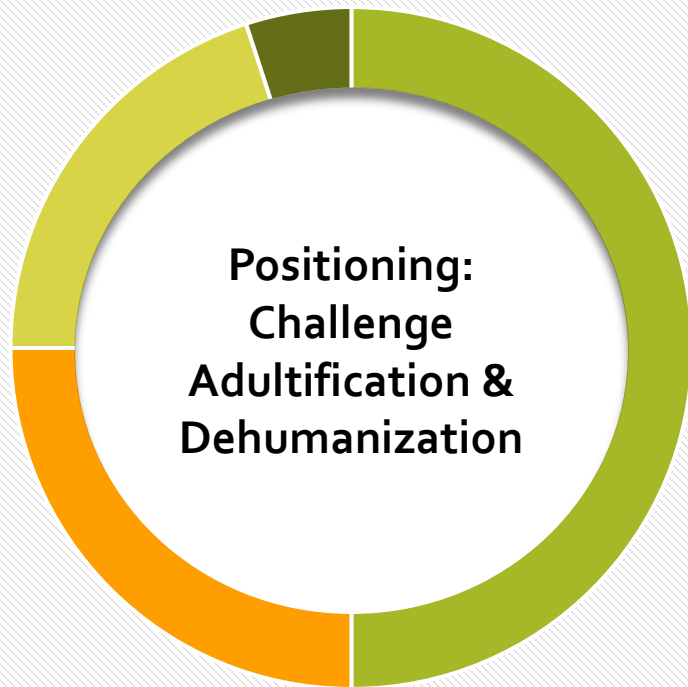


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Negative stereotypes of black women as angry, aggressive and hypersexualized are projected onto black girls. Adults have less empathy for black girls than their white peers.

Black boys can be seen as responsible for their actions at an age when white boys still benefit from the assumption that children are essentially innocent. (APA, 2014)

With the average age overestimation for black boys 4 1/2 years, in some cases, black children may be viewed as adults when they are just 13 years old. (APA, 2014)

Police officers who dehumanized blacks were more likely to have used force against a black child in custody than officers who did not dehumanize blacks. (APA, 2014)

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Black people are disproportionately exposed to police and judicial violence precisely because they have been prefigured as perpetually juvenile and therefore as irrational and lawless.

Black girls make up 20 percent of the US female preschool population, but constitute 54 percent of female preschoolers who have received more than one out-of-school suspension.

The excessive discipline Black children experience for offenses such as disruptive behavior and tantrums makes them 10x more likely to face discipline, retention, or incarceration later in life.

Research has shown that when police are present, teachers and school officials will contact them for increasingly minor behavior, and security measures do not make schools safer.