



THE COLLEGEBOUND FOUNDATION

TO COLLEGE. THROUGH COLLEGE.

SUMMER 2017



Pictured above: 2017 graduates from Carver Vocational-Technical High School & Green Street Academy celebrate Decision Day.

Thank You to Our Volunteers and Congratulations to Our Seniors!

From Executive Director Cassie Motz



It has been a busy season at CollegeBound! Our CollegeBound advisors in City Schools' high schools led "Decision Days" to celebrate seniors' college choices. We hosted two city-wide seminars, focused on critical junctures in a student's life. Hundreds of students and parents attended the Success Seminar for 8th Graders and the Rising Senior Seminar. Thank you to the record number of CollegeBound volunteers who answered the call to read scholarship applications and serve as mentors to City Schools' graduates heading to college this fall. This summer we are launching our College Completion Program, which will support all recipients of CollegeBound's need-based Last Dollar Grants in their journeys through college. Each scholar will be paired with a mentor and will work closely with a specially designated campus liaison at Maryland's four-year colleges. These students – and all CollegeBound scholarship recipients who are headed to college, currently in college, or just graduated from college – will be celebrated at our Scholars' Luncheon on Friday, July 21st. We hope to see you there!

Under Armour's Kevin Plank Headlines 29th Annual Scholars' Luncheon!

On Friday, July 21st, CollegeBound will host our 29th annual Scholars' Luncheon. Featured speakers will include Scholar of the Year Jasmine Burrell, alumni speaker Dr. Darian Senn-Cater, and keynote speaker Kevin Plank.

Kevin Plank is the Founder, CEO and Chairman of Under Armour, the world's most innovative performance apparel, footwear and equipment brand. Just as his passion for sports fuels his drive to make all athletes better, Plank's passion for giving back to the community is reflected in Under Armour's ambitious Give Back initiatives and his personal work with many local organizations. He currently sits on the Board of Trustees of the University of Maryland, Start Up America, National Football Foundation, Johns Hopkins Medicine, and the Greater Baltimore Committee among others. Under Armour and Plank support countless community organizations and remain committed to supporting Baltimore City students through partners such as the CollegeBound Foundation and Partners in Excellence.



Scholar Spotlight



(Jacqueline Ndayizeye)

Jacqueline Ndayizeye moved to Baltimore City from Tanzania when she was seven. She spoke no English. A few weeks ago, she graduated as the valedictorian of the SEED School of Maryland, a public boarding school. Jacqueline also won a \$20,000 scholarship funded by the Baltimore Ravens and administered by CollegeBound." This scholarship means so much to me," says Jacqueline. "No one in my family has ever been to college. I want to bring my sisters and cousins

along after me. Without this scholarship, I could not afford college." Jacqueline will be attending Stevenson University to pursue a degree in nursing. Congratulations, Jacqueline!

CAPS Corner

"My parents were so excited when I got into college," says Melisa Hypolite, one of our College Access Program Specialists, or CAPS. "Then we had to figure out how to pay for it, and that's when all the student loan debt started." Born in Trinidad, Melisa and her family moved to New Jersey when she was eight. After high school, Melisa attended an out-of-state university without understanding the higher out-of-state tuition.

From counseling to financial aid, says Melisa, "We didn't have much guidance in my high school. I didn't have a 'me' in high school. If I'd had a 'me,' I think things would have been a whole lot different." Prior to CollegeBound, Melisa earned her MBA and worked at Nielsen TV Ratings.



(Melisa Hypolite)

"Why I Give to CollegeBound"

Hy Zolet was a legendary athletic director and coach at Forest Park and Patterson High Schools from the 1950s to 1992. Hy was very engaged with supporting student athletes during the integration of Baltimore's schools. When he passed away in 2004, his family established the Hy Zolet Student Athlete Scholarship at CollegeBound. Hy's son, Morry, explains, "My

dad changed so many lives, and we wanted to keep his legacy alive." Morry adds, "We realized we couldn't identify worthy scholar athletes on our own, so we teamed up with CollegeBound. CollegeBound gets it. They have very talented staff in the schools who provide students with a vision of what they can achieve in the next chapter of life." As for the upcoming CollegeBound Scholars' Luncheon Morry says, "When we meet our students at the luncheon, we want them to keep in touch with us." The Zolets' mentorship has clearly paid off: 84% of Hy Zolet Scholarship recipients have completed a bachelor's degree, and the most popular majors have been biology, engineering, and degrees related to athletics.



(Morry Zolet)

CollegeBound Foundation participates in the following workplace campaigns:

521598921 - Maryland Charity Campaign

5666 - United Way of Central Maryland

65583 - Combined Federal Campaign

Upcoming Events

29th Annual Scholars' Luncheon

Friday, July 21, 2017; 11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.
Hilton Baltimore

Join us in celebrating our high school seniors headed to college this fall. Purchase tickets and sponsorships by contacting Lauren Comber at lcomber@collegeboundfoundation.org.

First day of school for City Schools' students

Tuesday, September 5, 2017

College Awareness Month Contest

Tuesday, September 5, 2017 -
Friday, October 6, 2017

All City Schools' K-8th graders are invited to enter CollegeBound's Annual College Awareness Month Art, Essay & Poetry Contest. This year's theme is "With College, I can..." Entries are due by October 6, 2017. To enter, please email Holly Burman at hborman@collegeboundfoundation.org.

CollegeBound Principals' Retreat for City Schools' High School Principals

Friday, October 27, 2017 -
Saturday, October 28, 2017

RSVP by Friday, October 13, 2017 to Holly Burman at hborman@collegeboundfoundation.org

College Awareness Month Awards Ceremony

Thursday, November 9, 2017; 10:00 a.m.
National Aquarium

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