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MAKING AN IMPACT

GRADUATION!



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Congratulations to our graduates! Hard work pays off. Onward and upward for these young adults. They have what it takes to continue to grow and succeed.

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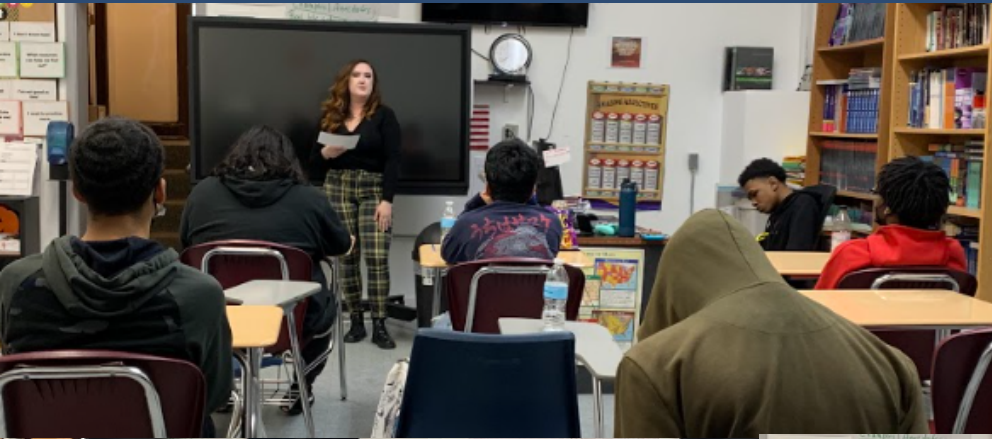


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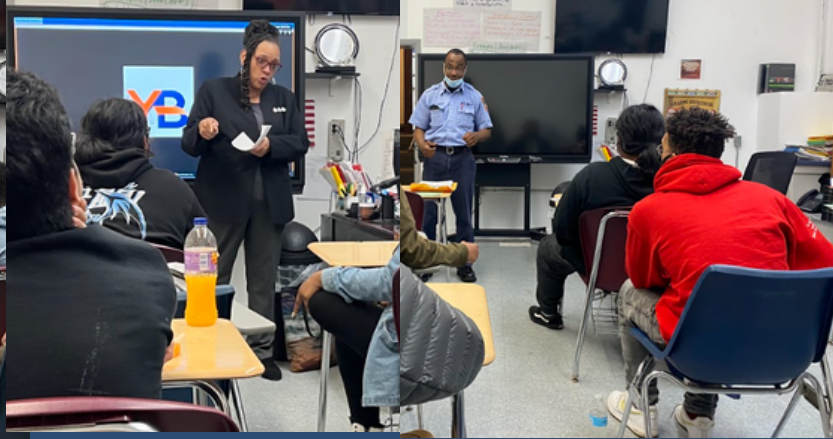


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Students participated in Career Week at YouthBuild IMPACT. Professionals from various careers came to discuss their roles, what it took to get there and what a typical day looks like for them. We had a visit from a Criminal Defense Attorney, Paralegal, Firefighter, Real Estate Agent, Police Officer, Entrepreneur and a Magazine Editor.



College of Staten Island Campus Tour

YouthBuild IMPACT students had the opportunity to explore the College of Staten Island's St. George campus. Thank you Nada Michael, Associate Director of CUNY Start, as well as Director Mario D'Alessandro and staff for their warm welcome and hospitality. Students had the privilege of meeting faculty and touring this unique CUNY educational facility which provides a small and intimate setting. Students explored their state-of-the-art computer lab, student lounge area, classrooms and staff offices. Students learned about the course offerings, options for undergraduate majors, new programs, financial aid and campus life.



St. John's University Tour & Etiquette Lunch



St. John's University, in collaboration with Epiphany Blue, hosted a dining etiquette lunch. YouthBuild IMPACT students learned the proper way to conduct themselves during a formal dining experience. They were treated to a delicious meal and after the luncheon, toured the beautiful campus grounds.



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AWARD



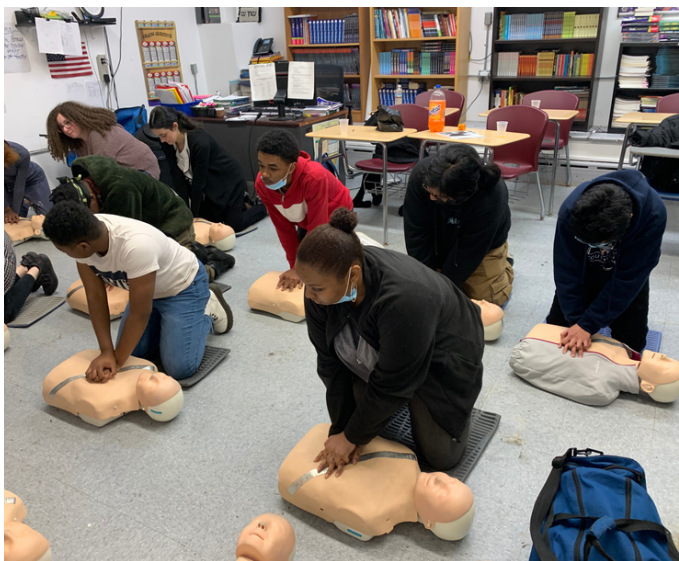
YouthBuild IMPACT Director, Elizabeth Morgan, was presented with the District 79 Community Partnership Award for providing outstanding opportunities to students. Staff and students attended the awards ceremony in Manhattan to support and cheer on our beloved Director. We are so proud of you!

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION



YouthBuild IMPACT hosted an Earth Day Celebration. We planted flowers, trees and vegetables in our new community garden while teaching our youth about protecting the environment and understanding the importance of healthy living. Thank you to the Van Duzer Street Civic Association for their generous donation of soil and the use of their gardening supplies, and to Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Alpha Beta Pi Omega Chapter for their donation of fruits and vegetables. We were honored to be a part of this year's Global Youth Service Day as our youth helped their community flourish by working together towards the common goal of protecting the environment. Thank you to all the volunteers from AKA, UAU, VDSCA, RCDA and St. Johns University.

CPR TRAINING



Thank you to the Staten Island Heart Foundation for the invaluable hands-on CPR training we received. Students and staff learned to perform CPR as well as assist a choking victim.

FIRE SAFETY TRAINING



Thank you FDNY Fire Safety Education Unit for providing our students with a fire safety training! We learned what to do during a fire emergency.

JUNETEENTH FREEDOM PARADE



On Saturday, June 18th YouthBuild IMPACT, alongside several other Staten Island groups participated in the first Juneteenth Freedom Parade which was part of the weekend-long Juneteenth Freedom Festival, organized by the Jubilee Collective. The parade ran from Snug Harbor Cultural Center and Botanical Garden in Livingston, along Richmond Terrace to St. George.

YouthBuild student Justin said, "I am having a great time, it feels amazing because I'm around my people and it's wonderful to be around older and younger people of color."

END OF YEAR CELEBRATION



Good food.
Good friends.
Good fun!



CELC FAMILY FUN DAY AT SIX FLAGS

