



Building STEPS Expands To Additional City School

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Vivien T. Thomas Medical Academy Students to benefit from STEM academic and professional development program

Baltimore, MD -- **Building STEPS** expanded programming to **Vivien T. Thomas Medical Arts Academy**, ensuring the Baltimore City high school's bright, underserved students are exposed to a breadth of science and technology based professional opportunities, provided guidance and tools to gain college access, and learn the soft skills necessary to succeed academically and professionally.

Building STEPS is a privately funded not for profit built on one simple principle; a college education changes a person's life.

"We are excited to expand programming to ensure more bright, motivated students have the support and resources necessary to earn college acceptance and a college degree", said **Debra Hettleman**, Building STEPS' Executive Director.

In its first year of programming, Vivien T. Thomas juniors will join with almost 100 juniors and seniors and 250 alumni from Digital Harbor, Forest Park, Patterson, [Paul Laurence Dunbar](#) and W.E.B. Dubois in this multi-year academic and professional development program that includes a junior seminar series, paid summer internship, college and financial aid access workshops and alumni services. 80% of Building STEPS graduates earn a college degree.

Building STEPS (Science Technology And Education Partnerships Inc.) is a not-for-profit built on one simple principle; a college education changes a person's life. We give underserved high school students the tools and support to get into and graduate from college. www.BuildingSTEPS.org.

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