Summer Experience at Building STEPS

July 2017









Creating Exposure

Our rising seniors began their paid **Internships** at the end of June with an impressive lineup of intern hosts. From environmental science research to computer coding to marine biology, students immerse themselves in a STEM environment for five weeks. The workplace experience gives them a real look into the inner workings and dynamics of an organization while setting expectations for each student.

Weekly Workshops emphasize professional development including communication skills, conflict resolution and group dynamics.

Unlocking Potential

With college essays, college applications, scholarships, FAFSA forms and SATs/ACTs in their sights, our students take advantage of the summer months to prepare for the challenges ahead. Throughout the month of July, rising seniors will attend weekly **Summer Workshops** with this sole focus.

This summer, 6 Building STEPS students have been selected to participate in **Yleana Leadership Academy**, a 3-week residential summer SAT prep program which strives to close the achievement gap. Building STEPS is the only cohort of only 80 students selected to attend from various inner cities.

Propelling Progress

We are proud to report that 100% of the 2017 Building STEPS graduates were admitted to 68 colleges and universities! No doubt our **College Workshops** played a large role in those successful numbers. We have high expectations for this summer's rising seniors and college prep programming as well.

Career Success

Our College Graduates are just as important to us as our incoming high school juniors! Summer months mean assistance with resume writing, job interviewing skills, job fair coordination and connecting with college campus career services.

In August, our very own alum, Anthony, will be hosting a Health & Wellness event for our college students and recent graduates.

We hope you're enjoying summer!

Debra Debra Hettleman CEO

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Building STEPS is a nonprofit built on one simple principle; a college education changes a person's life. More than 80 percent of Building STEPS graduates earn a college degree and almost all are the first to do so in their family.

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