

It's Crusade Family Academy!

New workshops start this fall – and you are invited

► What is Crusade Family Academy?

Family Academy is an educational program that is specially designed for families of Crusaders. It offers a forum in which families can learn from others, teach others, and feel proud of the strong academic and emotional support they are able to give to their children.

► How will Family Academy help me support my child in school?

In our customized workshops, you will learn how to help your child take the steps necessary to move successfully through middle school and high school and to stay on the path to college. Our goal is to support you so you can support your child.

► What kinds of workshops can I participate in?

Family Academy workshops offer something for everyone! For example, you can learn how to help your child with math homework, even if you were never any good at it yourself. You can find out how to be an effective advocate for your child in his or her school. You can get tips on how to help your child transition into a new grade or a new school,

discover the ins and outs of college financial aid, and learn so much more. We even arrange college visits for the whole family!

► Are Crusade families required to attend workshops?

The more that you and your child participate in College Crusade programs, the more success you both will experience. At present, families of middle school Crusaders must attend at least two Family Academy workshops per year in order for their child to qualify for the maximum amount of Crusade scholarship support.

► How do I sign up?

Get started today by calling our Family Engagement Coordinator at (401) 519-0210. Or send an email to family@thecollegecrusade.org. View a list of upcoming workshops on our website at www.thecollegecrusade.org/familyworkshops.

Below, middle school Crusaders in our 2011 Summer CAAP program get ready for a group challenge. See inside for our Summer CAAP scrapbook!

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Thank You:

Special thanks to our major partners at the Nellie Mae Education Foundation and TG for their recent gifts. We are also grateful for recent support from our partners at Newport Coffee Traders, Patty and Melvin G. Alperin Fund, and The University of Rhode Island.

Inside:

See which high school Crusaders had a superior summer. Plus lots of summer photos!





A message from the President

Dear Crusade parents,

As another school year starts, I want to remind you how important your role is as the parent of a Crusader. Your encouragement and support make a huge difference in how well your child does in school.

Be consistent in supporting your child's school experience. Try making a family calendar so you can help your child keep track of Crusade activities. Structure your child's schedule so that he or she has enough time to do homework.

And remember: When it comes to college readiness, participation is everything! From years of working with Crusaders, we know that the more they participate in our programs, the more likely they are to graduate from high school and go on to higher education. This is true for your child also. The more your child participates in Crusade programs, the better his or her chances are for educational success.

We want your child to succeed. And so do you! So encourage your child to participate fully as a Crusader.

Sincerely yours,

Todd D. Florenty
President & CEO

Middle school Newsbytes:

Seventh-grade Crusaders are participating in an exciting new program at **New England Institute of Technology** this fall called **Taking Flight with Science & Math**. They will learn all about aviation science and even build and fly their own model planes!

Middle school Crusaders... Did you take the Summer CAAP adventure?



107 middle school Crusaders participated in our **2011 Summer CAAP** program this year! The team-building and problem-solving skills they learned will help them throughout their school careers.

Below, **Jaden Brown** and **Jose Toribio** point out one of their destinations along a group hike through Purgatory Chasm. At right is **Alize Montesino**.



(All CAAP photos by **Rich Norris**)



Above, **Enajia Penn**, **Kennia Castillo**, and **Thalys Cores** pose with Crusade Advisor **Ama Akoto**. At left is **Christopher Rodriguez**.



High school: A superior summer

High school Crusaders had many opportunities to keep learning over the summer – and dozens of you took advantage of every possible minute! If your name is on a list below, you completed one of our academic, career, or campus-based programs during summer 2011. Congratulations on your strong participation!

Johnson & Wales University Career Explorations

Isha Abreu	William Perry
Kinverly Dicupe	Shanty Pineda
Juliana Franco	Audra Rabator
Catherine Lantigua	Felix Ramirez
Julia Lopez	Catia Ramos
David Matos	Melissa Roberts
Dayana Mercado	Franco Rodriguez
Sebastian Mercado	Kaine Sanchez
Eunice Meus	Rafael Sanchez
Kayla Mousseau	Jacquilyn Santos
Teeravuth Nokeo	Wilson Tiu
Kelvin Perez	Kevin Vega

Brown Summer High School

Henry Aboh	Waleske Osoria
Andhony Alvarez	Lilliana Pimentel
Cheila Avalo	Debbie Rosso
Muriel Brito	Sissy Rosso
Rysha Brown	Jazel Rubio
Steven Cruz	Laureanne Santana
Jaritsa De	Ndailor Sheriff
Joana Delva	Victoria Siharath
Alexander Lebron	Monique Taylor
Crisanta Martins	Kenny Torres
Tahirih Montes	Jasmin Vargas
Tatiana Onesyvieng	Ana Zabala

Writing Program in Media Literacy

Sesamuel Batista	Komotay Koffie
Ilesha Blamo	Kendra Monzon
Steven Cruz	Ronny Reyes
Odina Ellis	Anthony Rezendes
Maximiliano Franco	Wilfredo Tangui
Gerson Hernandez	Amado Tate
Edrice Jean-Louis	Jasmine Torres



A team of high school Crusaders gathers on the URI campus during **Crusade Summer Experience 2011**. A total of 119 students participated in CSE this year! (Photo by **Dwayne Clement**)

Summer Algebra Camp

Ranjah Alston	Alvaro Morales
Maria Alvarez	Melissa Ortiz
Oluwatoyin Animashaun	Jefferson Panadero
Tyler Applegate	Pablo Perez
Derrick Baez	Roberto Pichardo
Gerelle Carter	Guillaume Pierre
Martin Cephas	Cesar Reynoso
Alanis Concepcion	Wilmer Rodriguez
Eliezer Estevez	Naomi Rodriguez
Gustavo Gomez	Leonardo Roson
Pedro Gonzalez	Etebom Samuel
Ambar Goris	James Somdee
Nathan Gyampo	Claudia Tavares
Quadillia Hull	Evelyn Torres
Victoria Jennings	Francis Valenzuela
Josue Malvoisin	Alexis Wierzbicki
Wila Matos	Alston Wolo
Wesley Mede	Stephen Young

Roger Williams University Bridge to Success

Oluwadamilola Anmashaun	Tyrina Hosford
Loriana Barbosa	Pablo Jimenez
Marylissa Barbosa	Catherine Lantigua
Nala Cadet	Julia Lopez
Darlene Cante	Tiffany Mencos
Edwin DeJesus	Manuel Monteiro
Alaide Faria	Kayla Mousseau
Genesis Garcia	Teeravuth Nokeo
Manuela Garcia	Olubunmi Olatunji
Cassandra Gomes	Joann Perez
Shaaliyah Gomes	Rafael Sanchez
Joel Gutierrez	Steven Sanchez
Giancarlo Herrera	Talia Santos
Malvin Herrera	Tania Santos
	Mohammed Seck

High school Newsbytes:

The College Crusade **Robotics Club** is recruiting new members! They are already at work preparing for their second year of statewide competition in February. The team advisor is **Dr. Jerry Daniels**, associate professor of engineering at Brown University. Are you good at math and science? Here's your chance to get involved with **Sticky the Robot**. For more info, call **Maria Carvalho** at (401) 854-5506 ext 108.

Pine Manor College Leadership Conference

Caroline Akiode
Lailoni Clear
Astrid Cruz
Massiel Mejia
Dayana Mercado
Eunice Meus
Felicia Newkirk
Yarany Nunez
Sarah Ogundare
Katherine Salazar
Natalie Salgado
Jacqueline Sequen
Jessica Xiong

A note to parents: To complete a Crusade program, high school Crusaders must attend 80% of the program's total hours. Thank you for encouraging your child's attendance!



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Congrats to the middle school Crusaders who completed the 3-week Wheeler Summer Program 2011:
Patience Adegboyega, Patricia Adegboyega, Ernest Ahwireng, Folasade Akinmurele, Olamide Babalola, Liliana Barros-DeLaCruz, Vianka Brito, Jurity Calderon, Arianna Davey, Ariel Davey, Edward DeBrito, Elizabeth Elias, Jacqueline Escolastico, Jenae Fernandes, Samantha Gomes, Jerry Guzman, Kendal Hall, Jasmine Lopes-Jackson, Melanie Lopez, Kylyn Marshall, Shawn McMurtery, Gabriela Menjivar, Shafideen Odunewu, Mario Oliva, Matthew Pereira, Miguel Rodriguez, Esmeralda Tamup, Elisa Tzoc, Christian Vargas, and Kyara White.

(Photo by Kristina Moyet)

Please keep us notified

Have you changed your address or phone number, or has your Crusader changed schools? Call (401) 854-5500 or write to info@thecollegecrusade.org.



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