

2011 College Crusade Champs!

Congratulations to the new 1000 Hour Club

We are excited to introduce The College Crusade's third annual 1000 Hour Club! The 1000 Hour Club honors Crusaders who have high levels of participation in our programs since sixth grade. There are 82 members in the club this year, representing a total of 20 Rhode Island high schools. Congratulations to everyone who made it! You have shown outstanding dedication and involvement as Crusaders, and your hard work has earned you a big round of applause.

Crusaders with more than 1000 hours of participation:

- **Nathan Nunez**, grade 12, Hope Information Technology School, 1277 hours
- **Katheryn Arias**, grade 12, Classical High School, 1158 hours
- **Jose Flores**, grade 12, Blackstone Academy, 1157 hours
- **Malvin Herrera**, grade 11, Central High School, 1127 hours
- **Carissa Renshaw**, grade 10, William M. Davies Career Technical High School, 1048 hours
- **Frederick Gobewole**, grade 12, Blackstone Academy, 1026 hours

See inside on page 3 for more members. To get your name on the list, sign up for programs and stay involved!

2011 college acceptances

Here are some of the schools where members of our senior graduating class of Crusaders have been accepted for next year!

American International College

Bay Path College

Bay State College

Becker College

Bentley University

Boston University

Bristol Community College

Bryant University

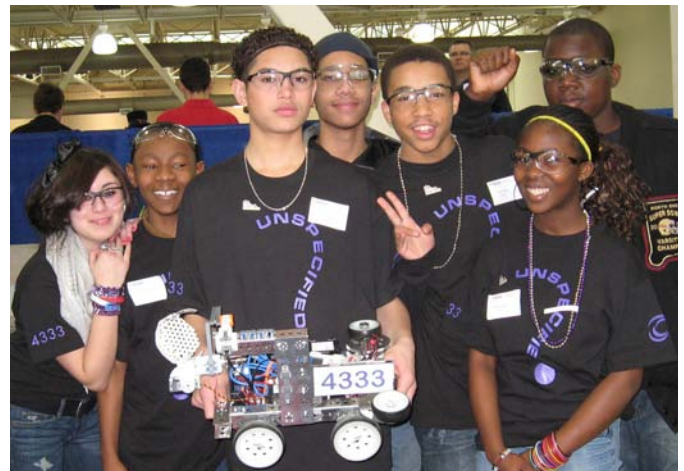
Butler Community College

Community College of Rhode Island

Curry College

Drexel University

Embry Riddle University



Fisher College

Fordham University

Franklin Pierce University

Johnson & Wales University

Massachusetts College of

Pharmacy & Health Sciences

Merrimack University

Mitchell College

Monroe College

Mount Ida College

Newbury College

New England College

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Our 2011 high school robotics team celebrates a strong showing at the state competition with Sticky the Robot! From left:
Shanty Pineda, Ayokunle Akrimisi, Miguel Casillas, Michael Rodriguez, Alexis Cabrera, Caroline Akiode, and Oluwadamilola Animashaun.

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Thank You:

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Inside:

More members of the new 1000 Hour Club, and photos from winter programs.



Many thanks to TG for their major support and for sponsoring this issue of CruNews!

A page from our 2011 winter scrapbook!

It was a busy season of learning for Crusaders



A message from the President

Dear Crusaders,

As summer approaches, I want to encourage you to find ways to keep learning during the ten weeks you will be on vacation. Reach out to your Crusade Advisor. Take full advantage of our summer programs, plus any other programs that will help you further your personal aspirations to achieve at high academic levels as you prepare yourselves for college.

This is the time to take personal responsibility for developing the traits and habits of mind that will expand your intellectual knowledge and curiosity about the academic fields you choose. As you prepare yourselves to advance to the next grade level, envision yourself some day on a college campus, pursuing your dream as a college student in a field of your choice.

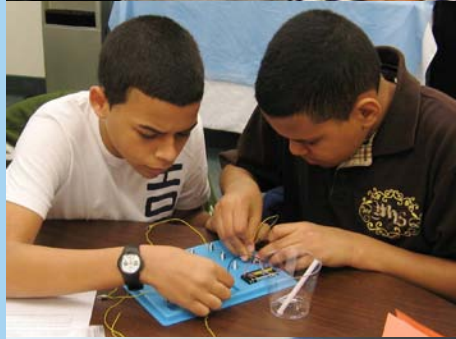
Think about what it will take to achieve that dream: the right academic course choices, extracurricular involvement, and continued attendance at College Crusade programs. Use all the resources available to you to reach out for support. Most importantly, believe in yourself that you can do it!

Have a wonderful summer!

Todd D. Flobeck
President & CEO



Above, high school Crusaders who participated in the winter session of our Media Literacy writing program meet for class in the computer lab at Capeverdean American Community Development in Pawtucket. At left, taking a break from our high school Choices program in February, are **Natalie Gonzalez, Jacquilyn Santos**, College Crusade Advisor **Shelby Maldonado, Cris-Nicole Hernandez**, and **Jessica Pawlowski**.



At top left, middle school Crusaders **Victor Baez** and **Cristoffer Perez** work on the design of an electrical circuit during spring vacation science camp. At bottom left, **Jennifer Ortiz** and **Samantha Vaz** check their cash drawer at the Exchange City bank. At right, **Keiry Colon, Angelica Castillo, Jahniya Morris, Destiny Fortes, Serena Walker, Jeripher Pascual**, and **Emmanuela Adusei** show team spirit with College Crusade Advisor **Jennifer Rivera** at the Exchange City sports shop (photo by Rich Norris).

Middle school Newsbytes:

Get ready to meet a lot of new Crusaders next year! We are currently recruiting hundreds of fifth-graders to join our program when they start sixth grade in the fall. They will all be at **Ways to A's** this summer!

More members of the 1000 Hour Club

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Congratulations to all the following high school Crusaders for investing your time and energy to prepare for higher education. You have accomplished a lot!

More than 750 hours of program attendance

967 Jessica Pawlowski	892 Anel Jimenez	806 Olga Roson
964 Jeirel Ruiz	873 India Young	803 Nathan Mensah
964 Estefania Clavijo	860 Natalie Gonzalez	800 Ezequiel Perez
945 Kaine Sanchez	824 Elizangela Santos	780 Anabel Lopez
914 Mohammed Seck	817 Valerie Arce	777 Anjely Huertas
912 Sarah Ogundare	807 Henry Flores	767 Rolando Clavijo

More than 500 hours of program attendance

749 Shaun McAuslan	644 Alexander Lebron	543 Cindy Jean
745 Carlos Lucario	644 Kevin Cleveland	541 Carla Perez
741 Natasha Gaspar	643 Giancarlo Herrera	535 Raul Chacon
735 Kayla Trenteseaux	632 Edward Pena	535 Ayokunle Akinrimisi
732 Marylissa Barbosa	619 Lynette Hernandez	530 Mariah Franco
732 Judson Laurent	618 Claudia Mata	530 Kaynisha Johnson
730 Joana Delva	615 Nathan Carreno	530 Amairany Hernandez
727 Emily Teixeira	609 Alicia Mello	528 Haide Munoz
726 Nicholas Alves	599 Itati DeBarros	525 Catia Fernandes
711 Alexander Tecun	588 Stephanie Taveras	523 Amilcar DaRosa
709 Kevin Donis	584 Daniela Castaneda	521 Malik Gomes
707 Ana Gomes	580 Jennifer Kalbourji	518 Jennifer Ventura
701 Jessika Morales	576 Sharika Arrington	517 Tiffany Mencos
679 Crizabell Moreno	572 Jaseana Cooper	515 Caroline Akiode
676 Eduardo Garcia	568 Erika Carter	512 Wilton Garcia
674 Oluwadamilola Animashaun	562 Amanda Salazar	504 Melissa Roberts
669 Yarans Nunez	561 Soraya Gomes	504 Chavelin Romero
667 Rafael Sanchez	558 TaNaeshia Perry	502 Leslie Tallo
652 Jennifer Jorge	558 Kitzler Bissereth	
648 Olubunmi Olatunji	553 Emely Taveras	

High school Newsbytes:

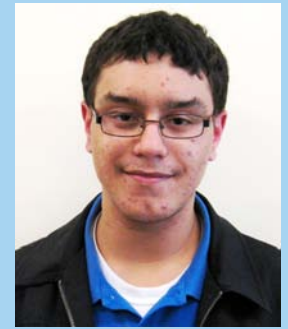
Learning is cool. This summer the Crusade gives you more options than ever to explore new topics, meet new people, and stretch yourself as a person. You can try the **URI Summer Academy in Green Design**, or spend 10 days living on the campus of **Roger Williams University**. Come to our popular Choices program at **Brown University**, or dig into **Career Explorations 2011 at JWU**. Read that book your friends have been talking about. Get out and discover a new place. Be creative!

2011 college acceptances

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New England Institute of Technology	Suffolk University
Occidental College	Temple University
Pace University	Trinity College
Pacific Union College	Union College
Providence College	University of Bridgeport
Quinnipiac University	University of Connecticut
Regis College	University of Maine
Rhode Island College	University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth
Rob Roy Academy	University of Massachusetts, Lowell
Roger Williams University	University of Pittsburgh
St. John's University	University of Rhode Island
Salve Regina University	Walla Walla University
Southern New Hampshire University	Washington Adventist University

Crusader Spotlight: Malvin Herrera



Attends: Central High School. **Finishing up:** Grade 11. **Favorite subject this year:** Chemistry. **Also likes:** AP English. **Current book:** *1984*, by George Orwell. **Latest project:** An essay and poster on the causes and effects of cancer. **Latest accomplishments:** Making the honor roll again. Helping his younger brother out. **Latest challenge:** Plotting graphs in precalculus. "I asked my teacher to explain it more, and now I understand it better." **Favorite Crusade program:** Crusade Summer Experience. **Most memorable CSE experience:** Flipping over his kayak. Not on purpose. **Also liked:** Saturday Academy, Bridge to Success at Roger Williams University, Brown Summer High School. **About my Advisors:** "They give me a lot of advice. When I was in middle school, I wasn't thinking about college. But my Advisor made me realize that I had potential and could do anything I wanted to do." **Advice for Crusaders going into high school:** "Do not mess up. High school is make it or break it. Set goals and do your best." **Biggest unknown about senior year:** The speed. "Once I step into the building, the year will go by fast. My friends who were seniors this year had so much to do. I know I will need to prioritize." **His priorities:** "Getting my college applications done, filing my FAFSA, and graduating on time."



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Middle school Crusaders turned out in big numbers for **Career Day** at Bryant University in December.

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