

First Generation College Bound

CELEBRATION

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Samuel Riggs IV Alumni Center University of Maryland College Park



City of Laurel Congratulations to the Class of 2023

Best wishes for continued success! Keep up the good work!

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PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Office of the County Executive "Prince George's Proud"



Angela D. Alsobrooks County Executive

June 14, 2023

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the residents of Prince George's County, it is my great pleasure to congratulate the graduates and welcome guests and sponsors to the 33rd Annual First-Generation College Bound (FGCB) Celebration.

For over 30 years, FGCB has made a tremendous impact on thousands of youth and their families in Prince George's County, and today's celebration is a perfect way to showcase your incredible achievements through programs like College Access, the Homework Club, and the FGCB Action Zone. These programs have received numerous accolades from State, County, and Municipal leaders, and we are proud of the outstanding work that FGCB has consistently produced. We are grateful for the significant role you play in enhancing the quality of life for our residents.

Congratulations to the 2023 graduates! You have set and achieved significant academic and career goals, and I applaud your dedication and commitment. We know you will continue to strive for academic excellence.

I extend my appreciation to those who have worked steadily to organize this worthy event, and I wish you the best for an enjoyable celebration.

Sincerely,

Angela Alsobrooks County Executive

Angela alsobrooks

2023 ANNUAL Celebration PROGRAM

Processional	FGCB Honorees
Introduction of Master of Cerem	noniesReginald Black FGCB Alum
	Workforce Development Specialist
	DC Infrastructure Academy
Master of Ceremonies	Gavin Brown
	FGCB Alum
	Board Chairman, FGCB
	Lead Pastor, Lifehouse Church
Invocation	Pastor Gavin Brown
FGCB Welcome	Pastor Gavin Brown
	Shannon Gundy ant Vice President of Enrollment Management, University of Maryland College Park
Recognition of Special Guests	Bridget Akinbobola FGCB Alum
Pr	ractice Administrator, Johns Hopkins Medicine
Sponsor Recognition	FGCB Class of 2023 College Success Students
 Emily Martinez High 	Point High School Salisbury University

- Emily Martinez, High Point High School, Salisbury University
- Rayanna Morris, Parkdale High School, University of Maryland Baltimore County
- Clarissa Guevara, Potomac High School, University of Maryland College Park
- Daphnee Omoko, DuVal High School, Prince George's Community College

Musical Selection......FAME Jazz Ensemble

College Bound ReflectionHalimat Abiodun Fairmont Heights High School, Morgan State University
Undergraduate College ReflectionJayde Martinez FGCB Alum, Townson University Class of 2023
Musical SelectionFAME Jazz Ensemble
Introduction of the Guest SpeakerVanessa Tsaba Laurel High School Towson University
Guest Speaker
Recognition of High School GraduatesDeja Cobb FGCB Director of Program Services & the FGCB College Success Team
 Central High School site Renae Whittington, FGCB Coach & Charlene Warner, School-Based Support Fairmont Heights High School site Mark Gasbarro, FGCB Coach & O'Neil Marshall, School-Based Support High Point High School site Josue Melgar, FGCB Coach & Sho Shauna McCoy-Hill, School-Based Support Laurel High School site Amani Medlock, FGCB Coach & Sharon Clifford, School-Based Support Parkdale High School site Kierra Onokoko, FGCB Coach & Amanda Metzel, School-Based Support Potomac High School site Renae Whittington, FGCB Coach & Darond Celestin, School-Based Support
Recognition of College Graduates
Introduction of FGCB CEOPastor Gavin Brown
Closing RemarksJoseph A. Fisher FGCB Founder & CEO

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"The future is always uncertain, but we who celebrate what you have done, who celebrate all of your achievements, we are certain of one thing on this day: You will not let us down."

--Tom Hanks

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Master of Ceremonies Gavin Brown Lead Pastor, Lifehouse Church

Rev. Gavin Brown was born in Baltimore and raised in Ft. Meade and Laurel, Maryland. He graduated from the University of Valley Forge in 2004, with a degree in Youth Ministry.

He served for 13 years in youth

and young adult ministries before becoming the Senior Pastor of Lifehouse Church in Beltsville, Maryland. Pastor Brown is currently completing his master's degree through Assemblies of God Theological Seminary. He is a dynamic communicator and speaks at church youth retreats, school assemblies, and seminars.

Gavin serves in numerous leadership positions including the Board Chair of First Generation College Bound, the 40 and under board member for the Potomac Ministry Network, the northeast regional Assemblies of God 40 and under representative, and on the Laurel Mayor's Advisory Council. He is also the UVF alumni president and a proud member of the UVF board of trustees! He lives in Laurel, Maryland with his wife Shekinah and their three children.





Guest Speaker Dr. Maame A. Amoyaw

Senior Manager
Campaigns and Digital
Strategy for Economic Justice
National Women's Law Center

Dr. Maame Adobea Amoyaw, or May as she is affectionately known, is currently the Senior Manager for Campaigns and Digital Strategy for Economic

Justice at the National Women's Law Center in Washington, DC. Before she was Dr. May, she was a proud product of Prince George's County Public Schools, graduating from Laurel High School with the help of First Generation College Bound.

May went on to Towson University receiving a Bachelor of Science in Political Science and International Relations in 2014. After graduating from Towson University, May became a first-grade teacher in Baltimore City through Teach for America and obtained a Master of Science from The Johns Hopkins University in Education Policy in 2016.

During her time at Johns Hopkins, she became involved in organizing around the lack of adequate educational funding in Baltimore City and was the Communications and Storytelling Strategy Lead for Baltimoreans for Educational Equity for 4 years, securing millions of dollars in funding for Baltimore's students and teachers. This eventually led to her role as Director of Community Engagement & Policy for the 13th Councilmanic district of Baltimore City under the leadership of former Councilwoman Shannon Sneed.

In 2019, she began a role at the national level as an Economic Policy Advisor, where she authored the Apprenticeship Hubs Across America Act in collaboration with Senator Christopher Coons of Delaware, who also sponsored the bill in the 115th Congress. It was during this time that she deepened her love and passion for creative arts, eventually writing and publishing her first major piece, "Black Panther Offers New Affirmation for Baltimore's Black Students" in the Baltimore Sun.

Through various think tanks, May provided communications and marketing strategies for economic policies to increase economic mobility for Black people across America. Since 2020, she has been with the National Women's Law Center, creating communications campaigns around economic issues that reach millions of people. Her work has been featured in Times Square and her campaigns have been seen on celebrities' social media pages, including several cast members of the Real Housewives of Potomac, John Legend, Stacey Abrams, President Joe Biden, and Vice President Kamala Harris.

During the pandemic, May began her doctoral program in Education Policy and Leadership at American University, graduating this Spring with honors. Her dissertation explores social media as an informal learning space and created a framework for how to share knowledge in an engaging way on social media just as you would in a classroom.

A proud Ghanaian-American, May spends her free time studying and archiving African art and black fashion history. She volunteers with the Distant Relatives Project, serving vulnerable populations in DC, Ghana, Ethiopia, and Jamaica with food, clothing, and basic needs.

As a lifelong Marylander, May believes that Old Bay makes all food better and travels with her personal supply. She is a resident of Prince George's County and believes there's no better place in the world!





First Generation College Bound Celebrates 30 Years of Homework Club & Honors HWC Teachers



The Homework Club (HWC) is celebrating 30 years of serving students in the Kimberly Gardens and Cherry Branch communities. We thank all of the teachers who have served and pay special honor to our current teachers:

Nneka Penn

Homework Club Coordinator and Teacher Since 2008

Alexander Pearsall

Homework Club Teacher Since 2013

FGCB honors you for your dedication to developing today's youth and inspiring tomorrow's leaders.



Happy 30th Anniversary Homework Club!

First Generation College Bound Central High School Site CLASS OF 2023 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



Patrick Calderon	Central High School	Prince George's Community College
Amia Ducker	Central High School	University of Maryland Eastern Shore
Ashley Feagan	Central High School	Stevenson University
Natiyah Ford	Central High School	Salisbury University
Prince Gnambode	Central High School	University of Maryland - Baltimore County
Victoria Ikpeama	Central High School	Notre Dame of Maryland University
Tonique Walker	Central High School	Coppin State University



Congratulates the Class of 2023

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First Generation College Bound **DuVal High School Site**CLASS OF 2023 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



Chiamaka Ahaghotu	Duval High School	University of Virginia
Temiloluwa Akinsanya	Long Reach High School	Howard Community College
Eleazar Amponsem	Duval High School	Prince George's Community College
Obaloluwa Arulogun	Duval High School	Morgan State University
Ifeoluwa Bajela	Duval High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Dilayla Barriga	Duval High School	Towson University
Erika Chavez Campos	Duval High School	Workforce
Mohammad Chowdhury	Duval High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Salimatou Diallo	Duval High School	Case Western Reserve University
Josue Diaz Lozano	Duval High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Dayjha Dixon	Duval High School	Morgan State University
Rene Escobar	Duval High School	Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics
Keiry Espino	Duval High School	Prince George's Community College
Angel Ezebuiro	Duval High School	Prince George's Community College
Ixchel Flores	Duval High School	Prince George's Community College
Melanie Flores Carmona	Duval High School	Bowie State University
Giivuii Frazer	Duval High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Ahmad Jamshidi	Duval High School	Towson University
Rebeca Lazcano	Duval High School	Prince George's Community College
Julian Linus	Duval High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Jeremy Marroquin- Hernandez	Duval High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Axel Mora-Toro	Duval High School	Prince George's Community Colleg
Edgar Navarro Jr.	Duval High School	University of Maryland-Baltimore County
Chinemelum Nwabineli	Duval High School	Tuskegee University
Emmanuel Nwabuisi	Duval High School	Prince George's Community College
David-Beckham Nwabuisi	Duval High School	Prince George's Community College

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Bernadette Okonoboh	Duval High School	Prince George's Community College
Daphnee Omoko- Mokam	Duval High School	Prince George's Community College
Kelechi Opurum	Duval High School	Loyola University Maryland
Vince Oyegbami	Duval High School	Morgan State University
Damola Oyewole	Duval High School	Prince George's Community College
Darrin Park	Duval High School	Prince George's Community College
Giancarlo Paz	Duval High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Andrew Pierre	Duval High School	Bowie State University
Elio Raimundo	Duval High School	Prince George's Community College
Mikiya Richards	Duval High School	Prince George's Community College
Johana Rodriguez	Duval High School	Bowie State University
Aldrine Rozario	Duval High School	Catholic University of America
Oscar Ruiz	Huntingtown High School	College of Southern Maryland
Julissa Trejo-Lopez	Duval High School	Goucher College



Senator Jim Rosapepe congratulates

on 33 years of exceptional work and the Class of 2023 – best wishes for a bright future!

First Generation College Bound Fairmont Heights High School Site CLASS OF 2023 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



Halimat Abiodun	Fairmont Heights HS	Morgan State University
Daniel Akinsunlola	Fairmont Heights HS	Prince George's Community College
Jemerson Alvarado	Fairmont Heights HS	Prince George's Community College
Kenia Amaya Canales	Fairmont Heights HS	Prince George's Community College
Dylan Barnes	Fairmont Heights HS	Prince George's Community College
Wendy Bertran Rodriguez	Fairmont Heights HS	Prince George's Community College
Lakayla Chapman	Fairmont Heights HS	Bowie State University
Ka`Brie Coe	Fairmont Heights HS	Bowie State University
Deja-Cymone Cypress	Fairmont Heights HS	Coppin State University
Michelle Diego Loaeza	Fairmont Heights HS	Prince George's Community College
Harvin Garcia	Fairmont Heights HS	Prince George's Community College
Jessyca Hernandez	Fairmont Heights HS	Prince George's Community College
Danaijah Holloman	Fairmont Heights HS	Coppin State University
Kennedi Holmes	Fairmont Heights HS	Spelman College
Emani Howerton	Fairmont Heights HS	Bowie State University



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The CMC Educational Foundation provides scholarships for local high school students, STEM-related programs, and "First Generation" activities.

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First Generation College Bound Fairmont Heights High School Site CLASS OF 2023 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



Tywon Knight	Fairmont Heights HS	Prince George's Community College
Keily Lazo	Fairmont Heights HS	Washington Adventist University
John McLeod	Fairmont Heights HS	Lock Haven University
Yasmin Munoz	Fairmont Heights HS	Prince George's Community College
Adetunji Oshoniyi	Fairmont Heights HS	Frostburg State University
Allison Parada Valle	Fairmont Heights HS	Prince George's Community College
Daniella Paulemon	Fairmont Heights HS	Coppin State University
Tadesia Penny	Fairmont Heights HS	Coppin State University
Jamira A. Postell	Fairmont Heights HS	Prince George's Community College
Leslie Realegeno Bonilla	Fairmont Heights HS	Bowie State University
Jessy Rodriguez	Fairmont Heights HS	Prince George's Community College
Alexsandra Sorto- Beristain	Fairmont Heights HS	Catholic University of America
Kennedi Thomas	Fairmont Heights HS	University of Maryland Eastern Shore
Sydney Tyree	Fairmont Heights HS	University of Maryland Eastern Shore
Aryus Vance	Fairmont Heights HS	Morgan State University
Isaiah Vassar	Fairmont Heights HS	Virginia Commonwealth University

Congratulations Class of 2023

CMS awards scholarships to Maryland students attending...

Hammond High School Reservoir High School High Point High School Laurel High School Pallotti High School Meade Senior High School Paint Branch High School Springbrook High School Capitol College Prince George's Community College University of Maryland Anne Arundel Community College St. Mary's College

Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515—2004

May 31, 2023

First Generation College Bound Program Parksdale High School 8101 Sandy Spring Road, S-230 Laurel, MD, 20707

Dear First-Generation College Bound Program and Graduates:

I am writing to extend my warmest congratulations to you for successfully completing this part of your academic journey. Your graduation is a cause for celebration and reflection on your years of tenacity, dedication, and hard work. You have shown such determination at an early point in your life, and I am confident you have nothing but greatness ahead of you.

I commend the First-Generation College Bound Program (FGCBP) for thirty-three years of inspiring and uplifting the youth of Maryland by giving them one of the greatest gifts of all: access to quality education. FGCBP ensures that the brightest minds of our time are given the tools they need to share their brilliance with the rest of the world. The work FGCBP does is not only admirable but also necessary when it comes to achieving equity across the state.

To the esteemed graduates, I encourage you to never lose your passion for knowledge or your pursuit of excellence. To the exemplary leaders at FGCBP, I thank you for your service, and I anticipate many more years of success to come.

Sincerely,

Glenn F. Ivey Member of Congress

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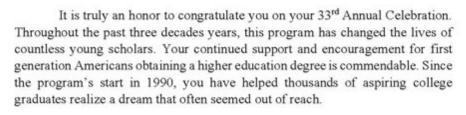


STENY H. HOYER FIFTH DISTRICT MARYLAND

May 25, 2023

First Generation College Bound, Inc. 8101 Sandy Spring Rd., Suite 230 Laurel, MD 20707





The growth of First Generation College Bound (FGCB) throughout the years has been deeply impactful in our community. Your hard work and commitment are exemplified by the 1,563 students currently in college and the 1,954 students who participated this past school year. I am deeply thankful for the influence your program has had in Maryland. As we know, a college degree is often a benchmark for a more successful and fulfilling career, and statistically affords the potential to earn a much greater income. The ripple effect of your efforts will be seen for generations to come.

I extend my warmest wishes for a fun and lively event and wish you many more years of continued success.

Again, congratulating you, and with kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

STENY H. HOYER



First Generation College Bound High Point High School Site CLASS OF 2023 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



Tinsae Adem	High Point High School	Montgomery College
Andriy Alfaro	High Point High School	Prince George's Community College
Amy Amaya Arriola	High Point High School	Prince George's Community College
Marlyn Arevalo	High Point High School	Prince George's Community College
Andres Avalos- Morales	High Point High School	Prince George's Community College
Ylka Cabrera	High Point High School	Prince George's Community College
Keylin Cano García	High Point High School	Prince George's Community College
Rafael Daniel	Walt Whitman HS`	University of Maryland - Baltimore County
Nancy Dingie	High Point High School	Prince George's Community College
Brandon Doan	Sherwood High School	Montgomery College
Beatrice Esapa	High Point High School	Robert Morris University
Benie Ezoua	High Point High School	United States Military
Lessly Flores	High Point High School	George Washington University
Mya Gonzalez	High Point High School	Howard Community College
Emely Guardado	High Point High School	Montgomery College
Sandy Guzman	High Point High School	Trinity Washington University
Alexa Hernandez Molina	High Point High School	Montgomery College
Abrha Kesetebrhan	Sherwood High School	University of Maryland - Baltimore County
Namai Kureishi	High Point High School	University of Virginia
Demiah Lawrence	Seneca Valley HS	Montgomery College
Lizbeth Lopez	High Point High School	Towson University
Sovanreach Ly	High Point High School	University of Maryland - Baltimore County
Joselin Magana	High Point High School	Prince George's Community College
Emily Martinez	High Point High School	Salisbury University
Oscar Mejia Garcia	High Point High School	University of Maryland Eastern Shore
Natalie Novoa	High Point High School	Towson University
John Ordonez	High Point High School	Prince George's Community College
Dorina Orelien	High Point High School	Bowie State University
Daniela Padilla	High Point High School	Towson University
Angie Palma	High Point High School	Prince George's Community College
Emiliano Portillo	High Point High School	Loyola University Maryland

First Generation College Bound Laurel High School Site CLASS OF 2023 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



Queencels Acobta	Laurel High School	Prince George's Community College
Natalie Alaniz	Laurel High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Emelia Amoyaw	Laurel High School	Towson University
Markayla Barlow	Glen Burnie High School	Bowie State University
Jonecia Blackie	Laurel High School	University of Maryland - Baltimore County
Yadhira Carrillo	Laurel High School	Howard Community College
Harley Davis	Laurel High School	Prince George's Community College
Michelle Geason	Laurel High School	Towson University
Nancy Herrera Ramirez	Laurel High School	Prince George's Community College
Lala Hydara	Laurel High School	Prince George's Community College
Sara Jacques	Laurel High School	Prince George's Community College
Alecia Jimenez	Laurel High School	Prince George's Community College
Anaya Jimenez	Laurel High School	Prince George's Community College
Angela Lima	Laurel High School	Towson University
Dyanna Lizama	Laurel High School	University of Maryland - Baltimore County
KeMarco Monger	Oakland Mills High School	Goucher College
Cinthia Najera- Rodriguez	Laurel High School	Montgomery College
Carol Najera- Rodriguez	Laurel High School	Montgomery College
Ashley Osorio	Laurel High School	Howard Community College
Litzy Pavon	Laurel High School	Prince George's Community College
Taliyah Quander	Laurel High School	Morgan State University
Tyra Quander	Meade High School	Morgan State University
La Shantea Rowe	Laurel High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Jenesis Smith	Laurel High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Alexis Soto	Laurel High School	University of Maryland - Baltimore County
Jadon Tallapally	Laurel High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Victor Torne Chamni	Laurel High School	Stevenson University
Vanessa Tsaba	Wilde Lake High School	Towson University
Alyssa Tuinstra	Laurel High School	Prince George's Community College
Samuel Turcios	Laurel High School	University of Maryland - Baltimore County
Tyniya Winn	Bladensburg High School	Prince George's Community College
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First Generation College Bound Parkdale High School Site



CLASS	OF	2023	HIGH	SCHOOL	GRADUATES

Hillary Alicea	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Jasmine Bonilla	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Janet Boualy	Parkdale High School	Towson University
Abner Calleja	Laurel High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Eli Campos	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Yoseli Carbajal Rosa	s Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Guadalupe Cardenas	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Seleni Cardoza- Torres	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Alvaro Ceron-Ruiz	Parkdale High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Anthony Estrada Perez	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Mikel O Ethapemi	Parkdale High School	Bethany College - WV
Maynard Fowler	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Nji Gam	Parkdale High School	United States Military
Natalie Garcia	Parkdale High School	Bowie State University
Luz Gaytan	Parkdale High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Aman Hussen	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Morgan Johnson	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Christain Jones	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Chris Koula	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Vanesa Lopez	Eleanor Roosevelt High School	Prince George's Community College
Jennifer Lopez	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Guillermo Lopez Cortez	Parkdale High School	United States Military
Katerin Machuca	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Michelle Melendez	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Rayanna Morris	Parkdale High School	University of Maryland - Baltimore County

First Generation College Bound Parkdale High School Site CLASS OF 2023 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



Khadijah Muhammad	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Chukwudi Oburota	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Christiana Ogbolu	Parkdale High School	University of Virginia
Emmanuela Ohanele	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Chiemerie Okekeocha	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Osunde Okunsebor	St. Charles High School	College of Southern Maryland
Taylore Pride	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Vanessa Ramirez- Hernandez	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Peter Sam Jr	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Jayda Scott	Parkdale High School	Towson University
Kristina Shaw	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College
Deinel Tiku	Parkdale High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Genesis Tobar- Hernandez	Parkdale High School	Trinity Washington University
Anthony Umanzor- Rojas	Parkdale High School	University of Maryland - College Park
Sandy Zelaya Pena	Parkdale High School	Prince George's Community College



First Generation College Bound Potomac High School Site



CLASS OF 2023 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Kimberly Baca Potomac High School University of Maryland - College Park Jasmine Crowe Potomac High School **Bowie State University Kevin Cruz** Potomac High School University of Maryland - College Park Jonathan Cruz Potomac High School Prince George's Community College Clarissa Guevara Potomac High School University of Maryland - College Park Stephanie E. Potomac High School University of Maryland - College Park Hernandez Prince George's Community College Raquel Jackson Potomac High School Joi Mathieu Potomac High School Coppin State University Jada Rainey Potomac High School Bowie State University Daphne Sanabria Potomac High School Prince George's Community College Kayla V. Smith Potomac High School Prince George's Community College Kimberly Velásquez Potomac High School Prince George's Community College Kayla Williamson Potomac High School **Bowie State University**



First Generation College Bound Class of 2023 Associate Degrees



Oreoluwa Alale Prince George's Community College, Business Admin.

Krystal Amihere Prince George's Community College, General Studies

Tylema Berry Troy University, Nursing

Shon Buffaloe-Henderson Prince George's College, General Studies

Quiana Downs Prince George's Community College, Health Science

Autumn Jackson Prince George's Community College, General Studies

Susie Johnson Howard Community College, Gen. Studies Business Tech.

Lakiya Lawrence Prince George's Community College, Health Science

Elizabeth Quintanilla Howard Community College, Business Administration

Oscar Saravia Howard Community College, Cybersecurity

"Your life is your story, and the adventure ahead of you is the journey to fulfill your own purpose and potential."

--Kerry Washington

"Whatever you choose for a career path, remember the struggles along the way are only meant to shape you for your purpose."

--Chadwick Boseman

"If you want to be the best, you have to do things other people aren't willing to do."

--Michael Phelps

"The most important thing in your life is to live your life with integrity and to not give into peer pressure to try to be something that you're not."

--Ellen DeGeneres

First Generation College Bound Class of 2023 Bachelor's Degrees



Elizabeth Adekoya University of Maryland - College Park, Psychology

Adwoa Ansah-Brew Towson University, Strategic Public Relations

Kelly Atabong Bowie State University, Biology

Titilayo AyodeleBowie State University, Computer Science

Eddie Bennett Trinity Washington University, SPS Health Services

Kennedy Birdwell Lindsey Wilson College, Business Administration

Dylan BrownFrostburg State University, Art & DesignShamare BurgherTowson University, Business Administration

Tyler Cain Spelman College, Economics

Tavia CoxUniversity of Miami, International Finance & MarketingJordyn DesirUniversity of Miami, Healthcare Management & Policy

Taniah DuVallBenedict College, Social WorkJosephine EgekwuBowie State University, Psychology

Rasheedat Ekiyoyo Pennsylvania State University, Mechanical Engineering

Amya Ellis University of MD Eastern Shore, Human Ecology

Gbemisola Deborah EshoMorgan State University, BiologyDiana FerdinandTowson University, Psychology

Markel Gary Bowie State University, Criminal Justice

Estela Guardado-RamosTrinity Washington University, Business AdministrationIndia HudsonMorgan State University, Multiplatform ProductionZhane' HughesFrostburg State University, Information Technology

Ala Hussen Washington College, Psychology

Peter Iwuh Morgan State University, Strategic Communication

Christian Jones Morgan State University, Biology
Lisa Jones Georgetown University, Nursing

Sonia Juarez University of Maryland Global Campus, Inves. Forensics

Capri LanierBowie State University, PsychologyMelissa LiverpoolPace University, General Business

Jayde MartinezTowson University, Business AdministrationDeshawndra McDonaldCoppin State University, Criminal JusticeCraig Morton, Jr.Benedict College, Computer Science

First Generation College Bound Class of 2023 Bachelor's Degrees



Ayodele Ogunibe Towson University, Computer Science

Femi OlorunfemiCoppin State University, BiologyFaith OmageBowie State University, BiologyYolanda OresGeorgetown University, NursingReona PateCoppin State University, Biology

Lillian PetersMcDaniel College, Biomedical ScienceMaurice Peterson, Jr.Frostburg State University, Liberal ArtsAlina RemondMorgan State University, AccountingMonique RowellMary Baldwin University, Social Work

Raadiya Shardow New York University Gallatin School, Individualized Major

Sewit Siyoum Towson University, Nursing

Mikayla SmithUniversity of Maryland Eastern Shore, Criminal JusticeThomasina SmithUniversity of Maryland - College Park, CriminologyHawah SoleeTowson University, Family and Human ServicesMasaio SuarayFrostburg State University, Information Technology

Sudana ThomasBowie State University, Biology

Artesha Thomas University of Maryland College, Management Studies

Makaia TurkesMorgan State University, BiologyMonday UdosenMorgan State University, Biology

Jibri Victorian

Jacqueline Valdez

Mount St. Mary's University, Health Science

Henry Velasco

University of Maryland College Park, Sociology

Figure Velascuez Penilla Revise State University, Rusiness Administration

Emilson Velasquez-Bonilla Bowie State University, Business Administration

Melanie Ventura University of Maryland College Park, Info. Systems & Mgt

Danelle VillangcaUniversity of Maryland - Baltimore County, Biological Sci.Roberto VillanuevaUniversity of Maryland - Baltimore County, Computer Sci.

Coppin State University, Sports Management

 Donica Waters
 Morgan State University, Electrical Engineering

 Phillip Whitehurst
 Frostburg State University, Information Technology

Tyree Williams Coppin State University, Accounting

Iyonna Young Washington College, Political Science

First Generation College Bound Class of 2023 Master's Degrees



Temitope Agoro Duquesne University, Business Management

Brittany Jackson University of Maryland - University College, Business Admin.

Lisa Jones Yale University, Public Health

Ayanna Tucker Hood College, International Studies

Donica Waters George Washington University, Systems Engineering

Egla Yosef-Abebe University of Baltimore County, Cyber Forensics



FGCB College Success Program School-Based Support

Charlene Warner

Central High School site

O'Neil Marshall

Fairmont Heights High School site

Sho Shauna McCoy-Hill

High Point High School site

Sharon Clifford

Laurel High School site

Amanda Metzel

Parkdale High School site

Darond Celestin

Potomac High School Site



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First Generation College Bound Class of 2023 Doctoral Degrees



Maame A. Amovaw

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