YAAACE and Spirit of Math Partner to Provide Free Tuition for 50 Students to Mitigate Opportunity Gap

Toronto, Ontario Sep 24, 2024 (Issuewire.com) - The Youth Association for Academics, Athletics, and Character Education (YAAACE) and Spirit of Math are thrilled to announce an exciting collaboration that will offer 50 YAAACE students free tuition to Spirit of Math programs. This partnership aims to bridge educational gaps and provide exceptional learning opportunities to students from underresourced communities.

The initiative is a continuation of Spirit of Math's unwavering commitment to promote co-operation, inspire confidence and release the genius in every child all around the world. This collaboration will enable 50 deserving students from YAAACE to access Spirit of Math's renowned programs in Math, English and Technology, and reach their highest potential in the classroom and in life as the leaders of tomorrow.

"At Spirit of Math, we believe that every child deserves access to high-quality education," said <u>Kim Langen</u>. "We are proud to support YAAACE in their efforts to nurture dynamic, thriving communities with positive life outcomes for all."

YAAACE, a renowned organization dedicated to fostering academic excellence, athletic development, and character education for Black and equity-denied groups, has been a beacon of hope for many young individuals for nearly two decades. By partnering with Spirit of Math, an innovative leader in education, YAAACE continues its mission to empower the next generation through academic support.

"We are excited to partner with Spirit of Math to provide our students with this incredible opportunity," said <u>Devon Jones</u>. "This collaboration aligns perfectly with our mission to close the education and opportunity gap for youth in our community."

The collaboration marks another chapter in the ongoing partnership between Spirit of Math and YAAACE that began in September 2020 with the creation of the afternoon and weekend supplementary academic program called the Community School Initiative (CSI). Selecting Grades 2 to 8 students from the Jane and Finch community in Toronto, Canada, CSI aimed to understand the potential of synergetic collaborative partnerships between the public/non-profit and the private sector to mitigate systemic barriers impeding student achievement at the community level. The results of that study affirm the importance of such place-based community partnerships, especially for students who had access to caring adults during a difficult transition period created by pandemic restrictions.

About YAAACE

Founded in 2007, Youth Association for Academics, Athletics and Character Education (YAAACE) is a Black-led, Black-focused and Black-serving non-profit organization committed to providing culturally reflective programs and services to mitigate the opportunity gap for racialized and under-resourced communities. The organization serves 1000+ families and clients annually in a wide range of programs related to academics, athletics, expanded opportunities, employment, and violence prevention and intervention. YAAACE has nearly two decades of experience working with multiple partners, stakeholders, and all three levels of government to deliver programs and services as well as engage in data-driven knowledge mobilization and publications. Learn more by visiting yaaace.com.

About Spirit of Math

For over 30 years, Spirit of Math has been an innovative leader in education for high-performing students, with more than 40 campuses across the globe. From in-person and online classes, camps and workshops to an expanding series of workbooks and training for educators, Spirit of Math is changing the equation for inquisitive minds around the world. Spirit of Math's four elements – Core Curriculum, Drills, Problem Solving and Collaborative Group Work – form the foundation of all its programs. These building blocks are the basis of a multi-layered experience that creates well-rounded students with an intensive toolkit of skills, logical problem-solving and higher-level collaborative capabilities. Learn more by visiting spiritofmath.com.

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