# THE ROYAL STAR

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#### "BRICK WALLS" CORNELL WADE

"Brick Walls are there to show how bad you want it." Randy Pausch made this statement during his last lecture at Carnegie Mellon. He had equip our community to tear down the been diagnosed with terminal cancer and given less than a year to live at the time he made the statement. The greater discussion centered around how a person should live their life, if they knew they knew they were in their last days. I was first introduced to this quote in a Freshman year college course... and it changed my life.

Since the start of this process we as an organization has faced "Brick Walls" in the journey to reimagine education for young people of color. It is this journey and those walls that created the opportunity for us to show how bad we want this, how bad we as a community need to reengage our youth and greater community. In something we all want... and hopefully our the face of adversity from all sides, now more than ever we have to show how bad we want to be the change in our communities. The future for our sons and daughters is far too important not to fight for.

At Royalty, our daily goal is to be a resource to those in our community.Whether leadership development, innovative skills training, financial literacy or simply a safe environment to be themselves... we want to "Brick Walls" in their journey. if you want it bad enough. The rewards of the work are truly life changing, and the people you meet along the way become family.

In closing, I would like to recruit you in our fight for quality education for young people of color. Our next "brick wall", the fences project, is an effort to raise over \$20,000 in the quickest way possible to complete the permitting process with the state. At the conclusion of the Fences project we will have a state of the art fence to protect the leaders of tomorrow as they embark on their journey. As a community, I believe this is work shows it, for our future.

Live Royal,

Cornell Wade

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#### **LEADERSHIP SPORTS ACADEMY - LOUDOUN COUNTY VA**

The Leadership sports Academy, sponsored by Loudoun county public schools and 360 Sports academy was a day of learning from professionals in the NFL, NBA as well as Track & Field about the level of dedication and focus it takes to achieve at the highest level. The event covered topics such as mental health, Name Image and Likeness and many other topics relevant to today's athlete

#### **Executive Directors Meet Up - Audi Field- DC United**

The leadership of the Royalty Institute were invited to a meeting of sports related programs by Mentor DC and the DC United. It was a great time, speaking with leaders from across the area at the beautiful Audi field. The DC United have been very gracious in offering seating packages and other perks to members of the Royalty Institute student body and their families, as well as our monthly donors. More information on this relationship coming soon.

"STRIVE FOR THAT GREATNESS OF SPIRIT THAT MEASURES LIFE NOT BY ITS <u>DISAPPOINTMENTS BUT BY ITS</u> POSSIBILITIES." - W. E. B. DUBOIS

Malik Obee Media and Marketing Instructor - Year 1 Morgan State University - Seattle Seahawks

Mr. Malik Obee was the first media and marketing instructor at the Royalty Institute of Leadership and Innovation. Mr. Obee was instrumental in laying the foundation of the institute, donating dozens of hours a week to the operation and growth of our school He started "The Moe Bowl", a celebration of gogo music and one of our most successful fundraisers. He is an accomplished author and a writer for the both "draft HBCU players and the NFL's Seattle Seahawks

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### <u> SCHOOL UPDATES - JULY 2022</u>

#### Welcome to Our New Board and Committee Members

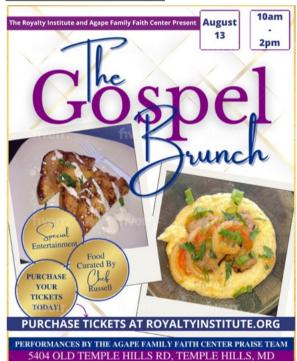
We would like to welcome the newest members of the Royalty Institute family. Our board and committee members are the background of our institute, assisting the organization in every way to operate

- Dr. Jamaal Thomas Academics Committee (Chair)
- Mr. Vincent Thomas Leadership & Innovation Committee
- Mr. Beks Amadi Athletics Committee
- Ms. Shakisia Whitfield Richardson Fundraising Committee

#### Congratulations to Jay Clark on his baptism

We would like to take this time to congratulate Jay Clark on his baptism at First Baptist Church of Glenarden. Jay is a phenomenal young man and we are truly excited that he has taken this next step in his journey. Jay has been involved with the Royalty Institute since the very beginning, as one of our earliest student prospects in 2019, he is gearing up for his senior year in the Fall of 2022





### <u>Upcoming Events</u>

Sunday Jazz Brunch Saturday July 23rd

Cyberwarriors Bowie Bulldogs - Tuesday July 26th

Cyberwarriors Camp - August 22-26

Innovation Nation Camp - August 22-26

Forestville Falcon Classic - July 16th

Forestville Preseason Jamboree - August 6

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## THE ROYALTY EDUCATION FUND

The Royalty Education Fund allows the institute to offer our education program to young men from all economic backgrounds and family environment. Please donate or volunteer today via our website:

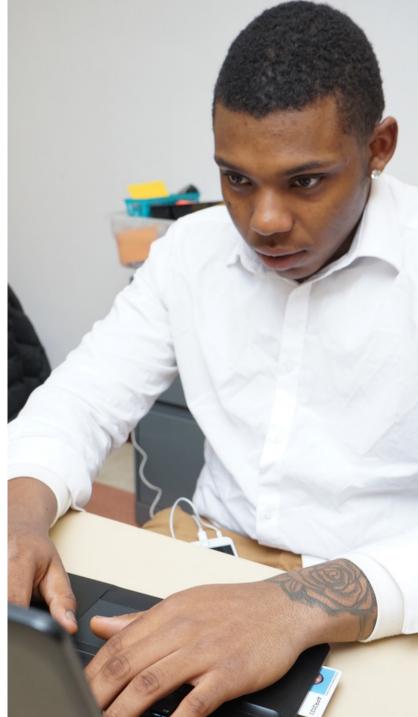
https://www.royaltyinstitute.org/ro yalty-education-fund-2022

### **#SUPPORTBLACKSCHOOLS**

### **The Fences Project**

We are in the final stages of the permitting process to open at our Temple Hills Location. We have a \$21,000 project to construct a fence around the property. Once we complete this project, we will be ready to open our doors for the young men in our community. If you would like to contribute to the fences project, please email founder@royaltyinstitute.org, subject line "The Fences Project"

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