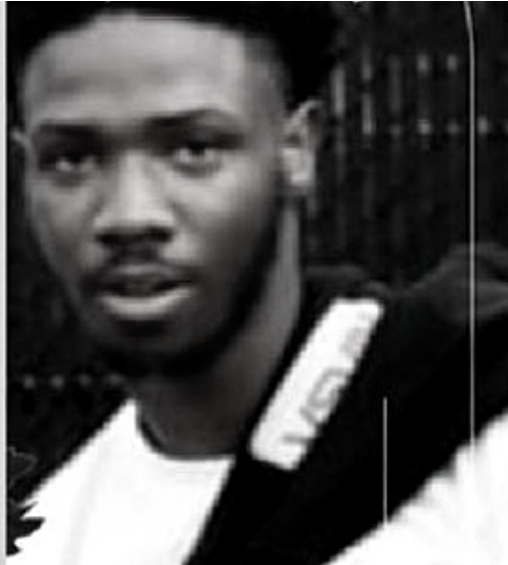


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**ROYALTY FOREVER  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
JASON WARDELL FAISON CRAVEN**

CORNELL WADE

I write this letter in total shock that I attended your funeral. In truth, I had hoped one day you would speak highly of me at my own. It was a pleasure to have a relationship with you, not as player to coach... but as a brother, from man to man.

I cannot imagine the pain of losing my sibling, and watching you navigate that grief, with a smile and genuine appreciation for life at 17 years old was confirmation. It's not what happens in life, but how you respond.

I still have memories of the Clear Springs game, the broken down bus, the hour on the highway, but most vividly I remember the touchdown you scored that woke us up early in the game, and the Usain Bolt like finish you made across the goal line. In the clip, I notice you briefly retuck the ball, was that due to us stressing "protect the ball"? As I write this, I truly wish we would've just let you celebrate.

The adversity we faced that day was nothing for you, and despite our slow start... it was clear where there ball should go. It's not what happens in life, it's how you respond.

I won't lie, I'm mad as hell that the violence that has plagued our communities for decades claimed your life. In truth, you deserved better. It wasn't the cowards right to rob our community of your potential. But I've learned that anger really does more harm than good in certain situations. So the plan is to find a way to counter that violence, with love. It's not what happens in life, it's how you respond.

And while there are political and strategic conversations to be had... this truly isn't the place. It's more important to celebrate the life of a young man who did everything I ever asked, who reminded me that you can always respond, in a time where I really didn't have the fight to. A Free thinker who turned down college to explore a career in BMX and the auto industry. A Father, A son, A brother, a friend... one of my guys.

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I pray for your family, your daughter and our community as a whole, but things like this truly make me question the effectiveness of that strategy. And then I'm reminded by your example, It's not what happens in life, its how you respond.

The church was literally packed at your funeral, I can tell you impacted your community just as much as you impacted me. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to know you.

Royalty Forever,

Coach Wade

**"EDUCATION IS THE PASSPORT TO THE FUTURE, FOR TOMORROW BELONGS TO THOSE WHO PREPARE FOR IT TODAY"**  
**MALCOLM X**

***KING SPOTLIGHT***

**JUSTIN BRADLEY**  
C/O 2022  
WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY

*Justin Brradley is a phenomenal young leader, who graduated in three and a half years with his B.A. Degree. One of the hardest working young men I have ever had the pleasure of working with I remember the day Justin got his first scholarship offer from Del St. The smile on his face was priceless. Justin is a free thinker, who will now attend Wheeling University for his masters program. Justin Bradley is a former student of Director Wade at Surrattsville HS*

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## *SCHOOL UPDATES - JUNE 2022*

### **Atlantic Coast Elite 7v7 - July 9th and 10th - Ocean City MD**

We will host the third annual Atlantic coast Elite tournament this summer in Ocean City MD. This event is built to provide an athletic outlet for young people in and around the state of Maryland. We are looking to host over 500 young men at this tournament in a weekend of competition and fun. We have numerous ways for community members to connect, whether sponsoring a team, vending, volunteering or anything in between... we welcome the collaboration.

### **Cybersphere 4 & 5 - Lanham MD and Temple Hills MD (Pictured Page 2)**

Justin Drumond and Dreamers Inspiration hosted sessions 4 and 5 of the cybersphere series. Junes event was a huge success, with over 20 young people learning cybersecurity in the cybersphere.

### **MENTOR DC Roundtable - Temple Hills MD ( Pictured Page 3) -**

The Royalty recently hosted the june Roundtable for MentorDC, a national organization of mentors committed to better the communities we serve. It was a great day of learning and collaboration. A huge thank you to Daon Mclarin Johnson and Mentor DC for the opportunity to host. We would also like to thank all of the organisations in attendance (Kimberly Marshall – Dare2BeDifferent ; Roberto Sanchez- Greater Than 12 ; Carl Scott - Best Kids ; Yasmine and Regina - Y-Knot ; Zainab Abbas- SciTech2U ; Carol Nash- Bernadette’s House ; Jhae Thompson- Community Youth Advance ; Shanequa Pannell- We get 2 give ; Demi Fauziyyah– The AAFIYAH Project ; Coach Cornell Wade- Royalty Institute ; Kaprece James– Stella’s Girls)

### **Forestville Falcons Collaboration -**

We are proud to announce a collaboration with the Forestville Falcons youth sports program, to aid and assist in the revitalization of the program at the middle school level. We are excited to work with Marc Thomas, Vincent Thomas and the Forestville Falcons community in 2022 and beyond. Please be on the looking for upcoming events

### **Dreamerz Inspiration Donation - Computer Lab Renovation Project**

A Huge thank you to Dreamerz Inspiration for their \$750 gift last month, towards the renovation of our computer lab. Once completed, our facility will serve as a safe space for young people to explore and innovate in our community. If you are interested in supporting a project, please inquire about the Royalty Education Fund on our website



# 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/royalty-education-fund-2022>

**#SUPPORTBLACKSCHOOLS**

## Upcoming Events

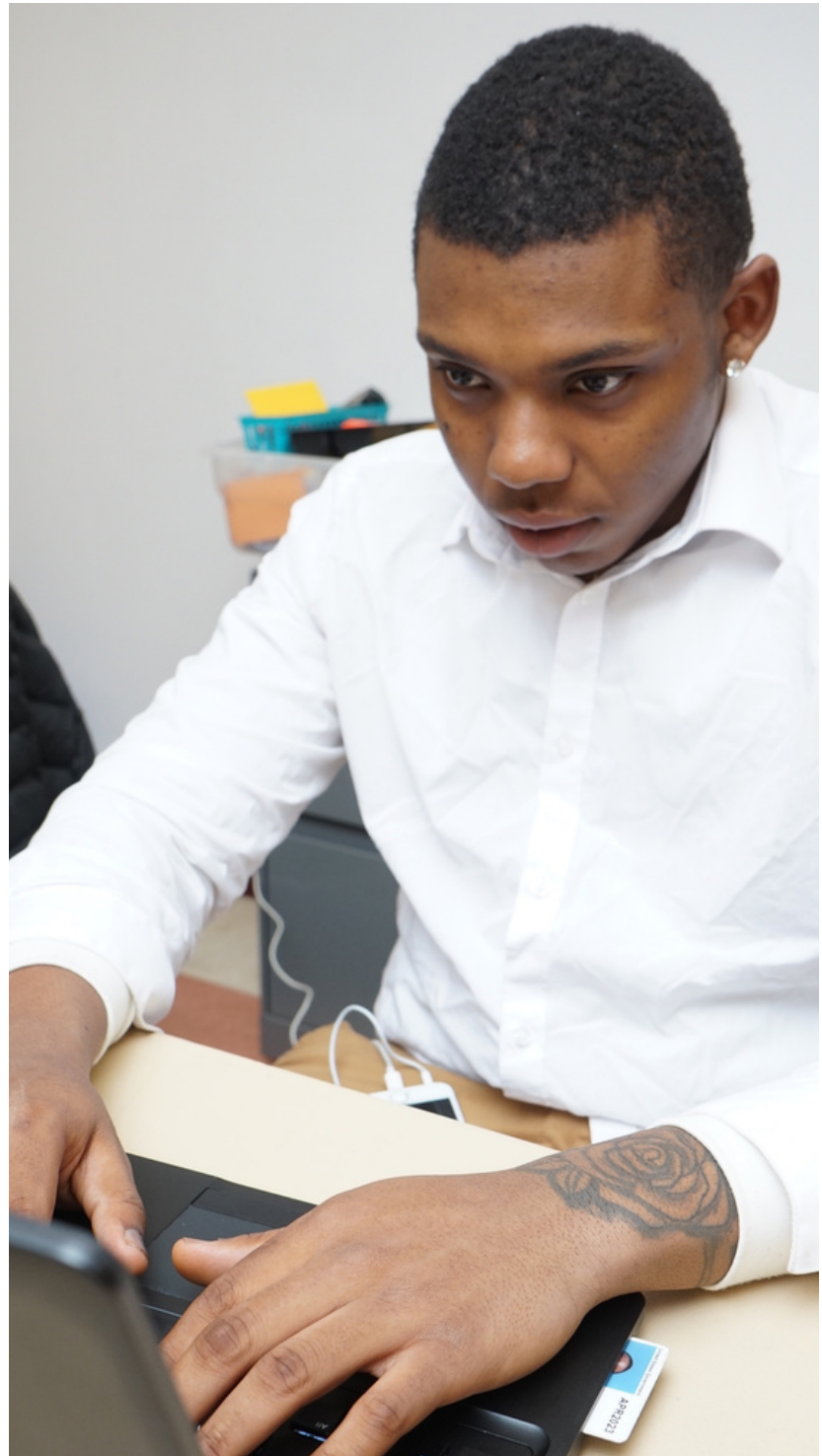
Atlantic Coast Elite 7v7 Invitational - July 9/10 -

Sports Leadership Academy Event - 360Sports Academy - June 25

June 25th - Stakeholders Luncheon

CyberWarriors Summer Camps Coming August 2022

Leadership Camp coming August 2022



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