



NYC DOE EMPOWERING BOYS INITIATIVE

Presents

2012 CLOSING THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP SERIES

Ensuring a Fair Race to College: Equalizing the Academic Field for ALL Young Men of Color to Achieve Success

Opening Remarks by Dr. Dorita Gibson - Deputy Chancellor for Equity and Access
Guest Speakers



William Jawando, Esq - Deputy Director of Strategic Partnerships and Special Assistant to Secretary at the U.S. Department of Education ~ primary liaison to the Business and philanthropic community on the Obama Administration's education initiatives



Julian Johnson - Senior Vice President of Sponsors for Educational Opportunity ~ college preparatory programs for underserved high school students in NYC



Dr. John Michael Lee, Jr - Policy Director for the College Board Advocacy and Policy Center ~ works on a variety of projects that include the *College Completion Agenda*, *College Completion Agenda: Latino Edition*, the *Educational Experience of Young Men of Color* and the *Annual Survey of School Counselors*

Moderated by Rubain Dorancy - Deputy Network Leader of Children's First Network 563

LOCATION: Lovinger Theatre at Lehman Stages
250 Bedford Park Boulevard West - Bronx, NY 10468

Transportation – Subway No. 4 or the IND "D" line to Bedford Park Boulevard

DATE: Friday 30th, March 2012

TIME: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. (Doors open at 5:30 p.m.)

Pre-registration is required at: <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22F6G68FGPL>

The Closing the Achievement Gap (CAG) is a speaker series and learning program sponsored by NYCDOE Division of Equity and Access and derives from the Empowering Boys Initiative (EBI). The series is a component of the NYCDOE's *Empowering Boys Initiative* and focuses on closing the achievement gap in Black and Latino male students by supporting schools through the identification, development and promotion of innovative and culturally competent support systems.

This year's theme is "**ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY: PREPARING YOUNG MEN FOR COLLEGE & CAREER ACHIEVEMENT.**" These sessions will equip parents, teachers and students with the necessary tools that are needed to engage, retain and encourage boys to succeed in the global economy.

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