



-YMWAP NEWS-

December 30, 2019

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah, Happy Kwanzaa, Happy 2020!



Mentor Brunch: A great mentor brunch on Saturday, December 14 at Savin Hill Bar and Kitchen with time to check in on YMWAP issues as well as to decompress, connect, talk about our personal and work lives, do check-ins on the kids' and our own gains and struggles, and talk mental health. **YMWAP mentors, we are grateful for you!**

Weekly Meetings: At this week's groups we talked about CONTROL – what we CAN and CAN'T control: we CAN'T control, weather, the streets, our teachers, parents, bosses. We CAN control our attitude and response to people or a situation, how we treat others and accountability—whether we get things done or procrastinate.

Officer Michael Long from the Boston Police Department visited Thursday's group again, as did **Isiah Benjamin**, the financial literacy guest educator we have engaged.

Jaykyri has been accepted into the 2020 cohort of the Lewis Family Foundation's Strong Leaders program in Boston. **Des** will be attending Career Paths PD at EdVestors to gain awareness on Boston's labor market trends. YMWAP received December grants from Charles Hayden Foundation, Grand Circle Foundation, EdVestors, and Eastern Bank Charitable Foundation.

Thank you! **We are blessed!** Jaykyri, Des, Marcia

**YMWAP will be closed during the holiday break
Groups will resume on January 7th & 9th**