



# **-YMWAP NEWS-**

**January 28, 2020**

## **Weekly Meetings**

**At last Thursday's group meeting Officer Mike from the Boston Police Department visited and shared his experience as a police officer. As a teen he had come to observe that although they were glorified, gang members did not, in reality, have the life of wealth and beautiful women—they actually had a poor life. His mother suggested he take the exam for the Boston Police Academy. (He made the point that parents usually know what is good for you). Mike joined the force and has had a successful career. Students had a lot of questions about the BPD career ladders and salaries. Officer Mike also talked about how to interact with police in the community and in what situations to record or video what you see or experience. It was a great, informative discussion.**

**At Tuesday's meeting we talked about life after high school and senioritis. Some seniors, at this point in their education, believe they "deserve a break," to which we responded, "No, you don't!" We talked about the importance of grades for both 12<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grades. We talked about the cost of college—not just in dollars, but in time and commitment. We discussed being ready with a plan(s) and with being OK with discomfort of challenge because that's where growth happens.**

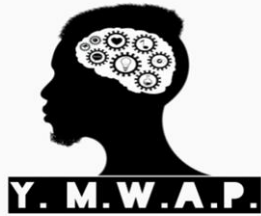
**We have been visiting your schools to check in with young men and mentors during the week. We are always happy to stop by and answer any questions you might have.**

**Thank you, Jaykyri & Des**

## **Coming Up**

**Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup>: Men of Color Career Night (flyer attached)**

**Friday – Sunday, March 20-22: New Hampshire Brotherhood Weekend**



## **Young Man with a Plan**

# **Men of Color Career Night**

**Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**6:30pm – 8pm**

**Includes Dinner**

**Boston Prep Charter School Cafeteria**

**885 River Street, Hyde Park 02136**



**Meet with professionals from a range of career fields  
in a welcoming & informative evening**

**Questions? Contact Jaykyri Simpson**

**817 526-4974 or [jaykyriymwap@gmail.com](mailto:jaykyriymwap@gmail.com)**