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27 BCPS students celebrate completion of Baltimore Ravens Leadership Institute

Towson, MD – Twenty-seven Baltimore County Public Schools students representing 11 high schools have completed their participation in the [Baltimore Ravens High School Leadership Institute](#). The program, presented by [T. Rowe Price](#) and the [Baltimore Ravens](#), seeks to boost students' academic performance and empower them to become collaborative leaders and productive citizens.

During the school year, participating students from Baltimore city and county met six times and connected with community, civic, and business experts. The 2020-2021 cohort of students met virtually in sessions focused on "Leading Change," "Leading Others," "Leading Community," and "Leading Yourself." During those meetings, students heard from Matt Stover, retired NFL player; Joe Jones, founder, president, and CEO of the Center for Urban Families; and Stephon Jackson, head of T. Rowe Price Investment Management.

"I learned that I, or anyone, should not let their age be a barrier to be a leader because when young ones believe in themselves and take the initiative, they can make a difference," said Kelvin Dagadu, an Owings Mills High School student.

The sixth and final session served as a year-end celebration and included a service project in partnership with Soap Saves Lives, in which students assembled 2,000 care packages that will be delivered to local women's and children's shelters Sarah's House and House of Ruth. Representatives from all three organizations spoke during the session, giving the students the opportunity to learn more about the work they do in the community.

BCPS students in the 2020-2021 cohort are:

Catonsville High School

Jack Krug

Brian Ruppel

Dulaney High School

Rowan Hughes

Sophia Winner

Franklin High School

Ryan Goodman

Alaina Hetrick

Ava Mowrey

Ryan Outt

Jaimon Wehye

Hereford High School

Samantha Duff

Anderson Hicks

Jacob Macchi

Milford Mill Academy

Korai Bowen

New Town High School

Zion Antoine

Janiya Burton

Kadin Lee-Smith

Bre'sha Robinson

Timothy Welsh

Owings Mills High School

Kelvin Dagadu

Soraya Lemonius

Pikesville High School

Ribka Fisehaye

Kiah Noble

Melody Winepol

Towson High School

Jack Kosmela

Sophia Nowlan

Western School of Technology

Jazmyne Carr

Woodlawn High School

Qion Roycroft

The Baltimore Ravens High School Leadership Institute launched in 2019. Including this cohort, more than 200 students have completed the program. The program is made possible with support from [ADDO](#), a leadership consultancy that develops programs, products, and experiences.

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