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## **Index Analytics to announce partnership with Woodlawn High, Woodlawn Middle schools**

*Company will provide funding, through The Education Foundation, to support  
summer bridge program for students entering Grades 6 and 9*

Towson, MD – [The Education Foundation of Baltimore County Public Schools, Inc.](#), will host a check reveal and partnership announcement at 12 p.m. on Wednesday, June 16, at Woodlawn High School, 1801 Woodlawn Dr., 21207.

At this event, [Index Analytics, LLC](#) will donate funds to support a summer bridge/transition program for BCPS students entering Grade 6 at Woodlawn Middle School or Grade 9 at Woodlawn High School in the 2021-2022 school year. Index Analytics will be represented by Chief Executive Officer Raghu Akkapeddi and Director of Philanthropy Allyn Finegold.

“The transition from elementary to middle school and from middle school to high school is challenging for most students,” said BCPS Superintendent Dr. Darryl L. Williams. “Students experience environmental, social-emotional, psychological, and physiological changes that are often overwhelming. Summer transition programs have been shown to promote student success. We applaud Index Analytics for their generous support of a summer transition program for Woodlawn Middle and Woodlawn High students. We appreciate the company for understanding that the entire community has a role to play in ensuring student success.”

At the event, Deborah Phelps, executive director of The Education Foundation, will describe how the partnership was formed. Jamel Jernigan, principal of Woodlawn High School, and Rochelle Archelus, principal of Woodlawn Middle School, will present an overview of the planned transition program. BCPS

will also be represented by Supt. Williams, Chief of Staff Mildred Charley-Greene, and West Zone Community Superintendent Dr. Racquel Jones.

The new headquarters of Index Analytics is in the Woodlawn area. The company provides information technology services for clients in the federal health industry, such as the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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