



DR. RICHARD BARNETT FOUNDATION

Summer 2024 Newsletter

"It just takes time, effort and continuation, and that's what I strive to do."

Dr. Richard "Dick" Barnett's words at The White House this past April

That drive and commitment is what defines the Dr. Barnett Scholars. We've been busy this year, from college acceptances and scholarships to exciting new partnerships with the Charles Koch Foundation and the Earl Monroe New Renaissance Basketball School. Throw in a visit to The White House and an induction into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame, and you begin to understand why I wake up every day inspired to have the most positive and productive impact on our youth as possible.

As we welcome the end of the school year, we are excited to share the transformative initiatives, experiences, and events our Foundation provides. We are immensely proud and excited to see the incredible development of our youth and the ripple effect of their accomplishments extend into their communities and beyond.

To continue supporting our driven scholar's dreams, please consider making a contribution here:

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Your generosity goes a long way toward helping us empower more young leaders with the tools and resources they need to realize their dreams.

Please take a few moments to read on below and check out our Foundation's commercial here:

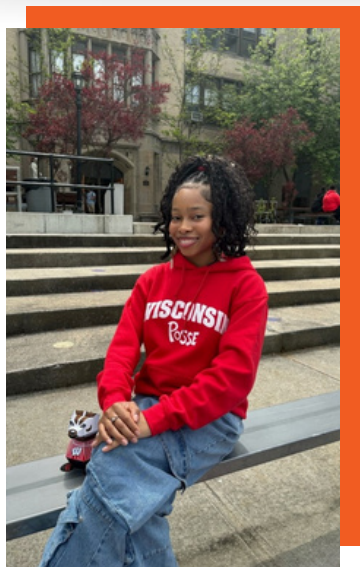


With sincere gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Baumley".

Steve Baumley
Co-Founder & Executive Director

Scholar Success Story: Madison



Madison joined our Scholars Program in 2021 as our oldest student, and she just graduated from Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School in Brooklyn. Madison is a very driven young lady with immense talent and she is a natural born leader. Since joining our program, Madison has received free and intensive 1:1 SAT Prep and College Advising support to empower her to reach her goal of getting into the college of her dreams with no student loans. Over the past two years, her science and math class averages have steadily increased significantly, and she has become a two-time Gold Honors student with an A+ average! Outside of the classroom, Madison is a basketball manager for her high school's varsity boy's basketball AA team, and she's very active in her Brooklyn community.

Madison's academic dream is to attend the University of Wisconsin-Madison to pursue her studies in their esteemed STEM Program. Earlier this year, she got the exciting news that she was awarded a full-ride scholarship to UW-Madison through our partners at The Posse Foundation, and she will begin her studies this fall!



"The DRBF has definitely been a staple in my high school years. The Foundation not only provided SAT tutoring and educational support when I and other scholars needed it, but also nourished our brains on the importance of mental health and healthy communication. In particular, I've enjoyed the sessions that speak about self-motivation and self-confidence. These mentoring and coaching sessions have empowered me on my self-actualization journey and were critical in helping me be awarded my academic scholarship.

What I love most about the DRBF is the endless support that is always given in the program, and I wouldn't be where I am today without it. Anytime I reach out, someone is always there to listen and to help as much as possible. I will always appreciate this opportunity and cherish it dearly."

Thanks to our donors for your support in empowering Madison on her journey to realizing her dreams!

Scholars Program: Updates



We've had a very positive impact on our scholars across our academic and mental wellness programming hubs this school year.

This year we've hosted in-person site hubs at Landmark High School in Chelsea, The Urban Assembly Maker Academy in Manhattan, and Highbridge Voices located in the Bronx. Our virtual programming hub consists of scholars from Brooklyn, Manhattan, The Bronx, and Queens.

Across all of our hubs we've conducted both PSAT and SAT Group and 1:1 Tutoring, and provided weekly academic programming covering the following topics; College Readiness Skills, College Essay Workshops, the College Application Process, Executive Functioning Skills, Career Skills, and Non-Traditional Career Paths.

We've also provided Social Emotional Learning coaching around topics such as; Mindfulness, Emotion Regulation, Self-Love, Self-Confidence, Self-Motivation, Active Listening, Strategic Thinking, Decision-Making, Relationship Building, Empathy, Growth Mindset, and Recognizing Character Strengths.



Career Exploration Recap at MSG

Hosted by Knicks, Sponsored by the Charles Koch Foundation

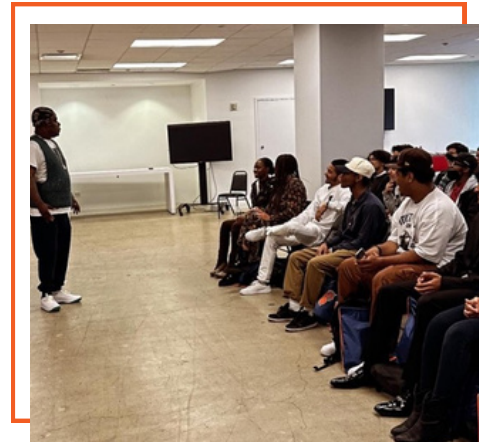
Our 2024 Career Exploration Day series kicked off at “The World’s Most Famous Arena” on May 15th.

We had an amazing day with forty of our scholars, with MSG and Knicks executives exposing them to behind-the-scenes careers and opportunities in the sports and entertainment industry. The day was also packed with inspiration and enlightenment from our friends Walt “Clyde” Frazier and Tracy Morgan.



Our 2024 Career Exploration Day series continues this summer at the NBA Players Association, which will host a cohort of our scholars at their headquarters in New York City!

Several NBPA executives will spend the day exposing our scholars to behind-the-scenes careers and opportunities in the sports and entertainment industry!



Thanks to our partners at the Charles Koch Foundation who sponsored the event, and everyone who was a part of making this an extra special and impactful experience for our youth!

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Fundraiser Events:

Luncheon Later this Summer & Our 3rd Annual Golf Event on October 15th!

Later this summer we'll be hosting a luncheon fundraiser event in Manhattan honoring Dr. Barnett on his induction to the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame! The afternoon will have many special guests, including several of Dr. Barnett's teammates sharing locker room stories and honoring our legend and his long overdue enshrinement. Date is still TBD and will be announced soon. A save-the-date flyer with all of the details will be sent out shortly, so please keep an eye out and come support us!

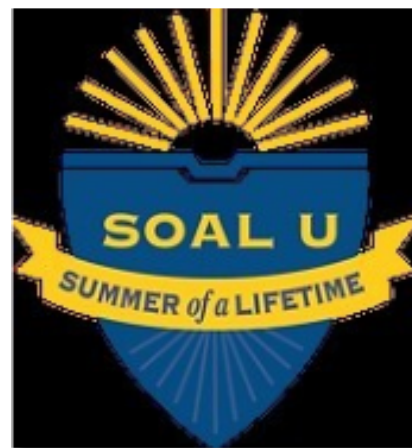


This fall we'll be having our 3rd Annual Celebrity Golf Classic at Quaker Ridge Golf Club in Scarsdale, New York. Powered by the experts at Golf Event Planning, our 3rd Annual DRBF Celebrity Golf Classic will take place on October 15th, 2024. Foursomes paired with celebrities will enjoy a relaxing day of friendly competition, all while contributing to the DRBF's transformative mission. We'll also be honoring our dear friend, board member, and golf committee chairman Michael Schwartz who passed away last year. Please come out to support and help us hit our goal of raising \$200,000. We look forward to seeing you there!

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Summer of a Lifetime University at Princeton University!

A group of our driven scholars had an amazing experience last year at former New York Net, Brian Taylor's, Summer of a Lifetime University (SOALU.org). Brian and his dedicated team at SOAL U are incredible partners of ours and each summer run a two-week long Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math Program at Princeton University.



SOAL U is, "Dedicated to training future leaders for a diverse and inclusive world." Further, "SOAL U strives to unite students from diverse socioeconomic, cultural, geographic, and racial backgrounds through shared summer educational experiences at the top universities in the nation in order to develop and prepare the next generation of leaders with the social capital, critical thinking skills, and leadership-building experiences that will prepare them for our diverse, complex, and technologically driven world."

We'll be providing full scholarships for this amazing experience to a group of our Dr. Richard Barnett Foundation scholars, who will once again come together with a cohort of other driven scholars from across the country to work on special STEAM projects, volunteer, and learn from some of the most intelligent professors in the world.

Scholars will also get plenty of encouragement, enlightenment, and inspiration throughout the week from Brian, his SOAL U team, and Princeton Professors.

Knicks & Major League Baseball Summer Camps

This summer we'll once again be putting on a Jr. Knicks basketball camp at a legendary New York streetball court to be determined and a "Play Ball" MLB Camp at Roberto Clemente Park in The Bronx. The Jr. Knicks basketball camp will be in partnership with the Earl Monroe New Renaissance Basketball School, and the "Play Ball" MLB camp will again be in partnership with The Garden of Dreams Foundation, and we'll be hosting two of their community-based organizations in the Bronx, SCAN Harbor, and WHEDco!



The Dream Whisperer The Dynamic Story

Dr. Barnett's documentary, "The Dream Whisperer", tells the dynamic story of his trailblazing Tennessee A&I teams and their quest to be recognized for their historical achievements. The film can be viewed on PBS through the link below.



[WATCH THE FILM](#)

Dr. Barnett Visits the White House with His Historic Tennessee A&I Team!

Dr. Barnett's Tennessee A&I Tigers men's basketball team was the first HBCU team to win a national championship in 1957, and made history again by becoming the first college team to win three back-to-back national titles from 1957-1959.

Dr. Barnett was named MVP for two of those courageous championship runs.

"I look at each of you and the path and the journey that you've been on and your willingness to tell the story in such an active way is so important," Vice President Harris said. "There are forces right now that would try to overlook or deny our history. But I think the only way that we will continue to strengthen ourselves and see progress as a country is when we remember where we've been to help us guide where we want to be."

The road to the White House visit this past April was paved with significant challenges both on and off the court. The team was subject to a bomb threat on their plane during their return trip home from Kansas City following their victory at the NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) championship game in 1957. Immediately upon arriving back home in Nashville, several members of the team participated in sit-in demonstrations at lunch counters to protest segregation policies.

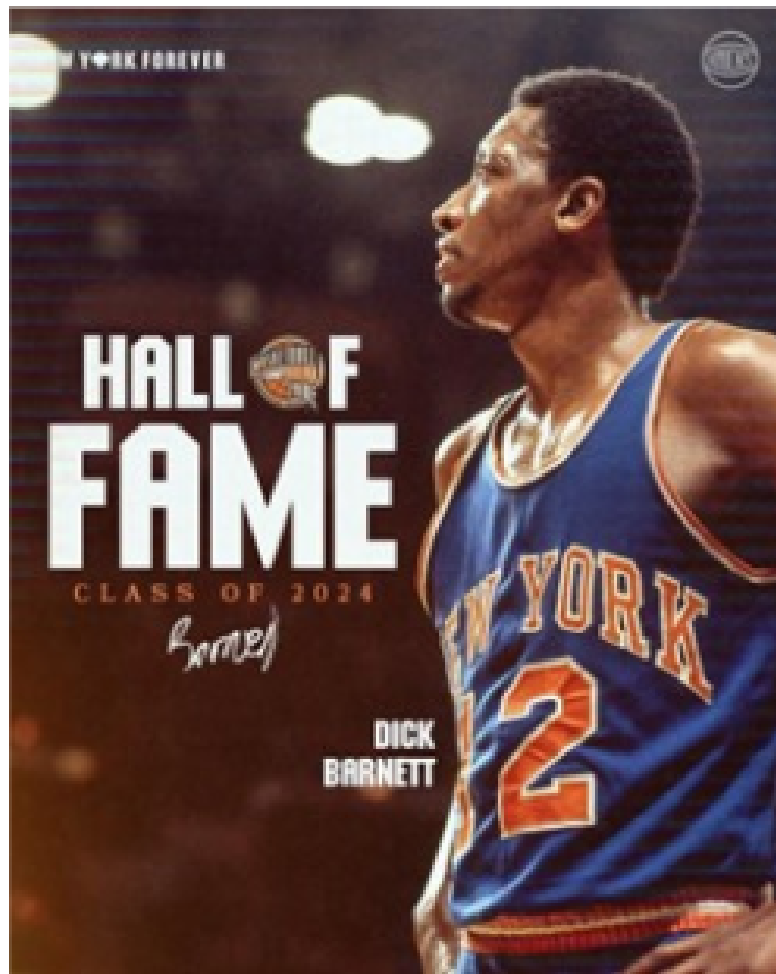
"It just takes time and effort and continuation, and that's what I strive to do," Barnett said. "It's been very gratifying," he told CBS News about being recognized and honored with a White House visit.



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Dr. Barnett Inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame

and will be enshrined this Fall in Springfield, Massachusetts!



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The lifeblood of our Foundation is the spark we strive to ignite in the minds and hearts of our young scholars. Dr. Barnett's vision is to illuminate a path for them, shedding light on the vast universe of opportunities that exist in New York City and beyond. Since 2021, over three hundred scholars have greatly benefitted from our academic and mental wellness programs, career exploration days, and athletic camps.

Our Foundation is built upon the most noble and enduring ideals. It is a shining reflection of the philosophy that by extending a helping hand to the young people of our community today we are making a lasting investment in the ultimate improvement of our world for generations to come.

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