# HIGHSIGHT A BETTER EDUCATION. THE CHOICE IS YOURS.

HighSight provides scholarships, tutoring, mentoring, leadership development, and college readiness programs that create new possibilities for Chicago high school students from low-income families. The HighSight experience empowers our scholars to excel in high school and graduate from four-year colleges across the country.

# WELCOME CLASS OF 2021!



Bridget Adu-Dapaah Mother McAuley High School

Priscilla Badu Josephinum Academy

Manuel Cabrera DePaul College Prep

Joseph Cruz DePaul College Prep

Aniyah Davis De La Salle Institute

**Isaac Garcia** De La Salle Institute

**Jericho Garcia** St. Patrick High School Pamela Gonzalez De La Salle Institute

Carlie Hall Mother McAuley High School

Mia Jacobs Mother McAuley High School

Amarii McCray De La Salle Institute

**Crystin McKay** Trinity High School

Mellanie Palacios Holy Trinity High School

Samantha Rangel De La Salle Institute **Josue Raygoza** St. Patrick High School

Anthony Rebolledo St. Patrick High School

Adriana Reyes Mother McAuley High School

**David Rodriguez** St. Laurence High School

**Cesar Torres** De La Salle Institute

Makayla Turner De La Salle Institute

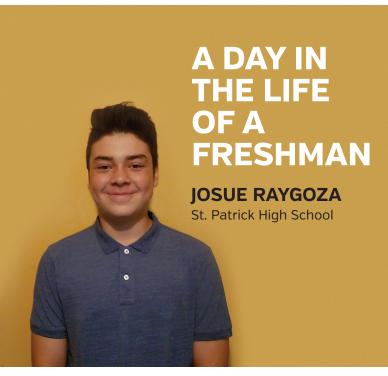
Kayla Vergara Trinity High School **HighSight** welcomed our class of 2021 with an intense, five-week academic program that emphasized reading, writing, math, character development and study skills. The program culminated with Freshman Week at La Lumiere School in LaPorte, Indiana, where students worked on team-building, leadership development and planning for the year ahead.

NEWS

**FALL 2017** 







#### 5:00am

I rise to the sound of the shower running, music playing, and my mom's alarm blaring throughout the house. To make a long story short, I eat, get dressed and fix my incredibly uncooperative hair.

#### 6:00am

School does not start until seven-thirty, so I spend a lot of the time redoing my notes on google docs and making flash cards.

## 7:40am

It is pure chaos in the halls. I navigate my way through the crowded hallway and get to class. I repeat this eight times a day. Throughout the class I do everything I can to follow all the tips that HighSight taught me over the summer. I write the titles of my lectures, I circle the big ideas and I ask questions to things I do not understand.

#### 3:00pm

Time for football. We stretch, practice either offense or defense separately based on position. I practice hard because no matter the challenge I always put 100% into it. That is what my family has always told me to do, so of course I do it.

#### 7:30pm

My day ends with either a bus ride or car ride home. I tend to maximize my free time and get a majority of my work done on the way home. This means I have about an hour to eat, shower, and do the rest of my work before I have to go to bed. After all that, it is time to set the alarm and get ready to do it all over again.

## ADVISORY COUNCIL SPOTLIGHT

#### LINNIEA MCHUGH



The owner of Lejeune Marketing Group, located in Chicago on State and Wacker is a big fan of HighSight. For many years, Linnea McHugh, has been an attendee of The Eve of the Eve fundraiser, the biggest annual fundraiser put on by HighSight. Unknowingly, she attended the event for many years without any knowledge of the charity organization that it supported. But, three years ago

all that changed when she met Jeanne Doran, a member of the advisory board for HighSight. It was like the light bulb went on! It was at that moment that she knew she had to be involved with HighSight in any way they might have her.

As the first college graduate in her immediate family, she knew the importance of education and the ways in which it changes lives, for the better. She graduated from the University of Minnesota with a degree in Journalism and a minor in Mass Communications. She believes that nothing will broaden your beliefs or your understanding of the world like education and travel.

It is that mindset that continues to propel Linnea and LeJeune Marketing Group to work with HighSight to formulate strategies that get their particular message across and in the hands of those that need to know it. She knows that without a doubt, that education is the key to everything and anything you can and will ever do. And this is why she loves and supports HighSight.

## WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

#### How can you partner with HighSight?

- Donate
- Attend HighSight events
- Become a tutor

# highsight.org

## **INDEPENDENT** SUMMER PROGRAMS

Through the generosity of our donors and enrichment program partners, our Class of 2018 spent their summers at boarding schools, universities and doing service, language and cultural immersion programs abroad. The students described their experiences as unforgettable, magical, eye-opening and amazing.



Steve Rocha A In Isla Chiara, Costa Rica, Steve Rocha studied the biodiversity of tropical dry forests.



Nia-Blessing Armstrong A Nia-Blessing met classmates on her first day of school in Thailand.



Sparkle Whitaker v Sparkle Whitaker joins in on a welcome ceremony at an elementary school in Tanzania.



**Fabiola Avila v** Fabiola Avila enjoyed the historical sites in Ghana, Africa.



**Laura Alejandre v** In Tanzania, an artist teaches Laura Alejandre to carve wood.



< Chris Williams Chris Williams enjoys the sights as he heads to Marrakesh.



Leslie Garfias ∧ Leslie Garfias spent her summer in Jordan.

## HIGHSIGHT CELEBRATES 25 YEARS

#### **CELEBRATING 25 YEARS**

HighSight has awarded more than \$7 million in scholarships to graduate nearly 600 students from private high schools around Chicago. We provide our students with tutoring, mentoring, leadership development, and college readiness programs that create new possibilities for them. The HighSight experience continues to empower our scholars to excel in high school and graduate from four-year colleges across the country.

#### MOVING FORWARD

In our multi-year initiative, HighSight seeks to raise \$4.5 million to double the number of students that we serve. This campaign will ensure increases in three key components: tuition assistance, programming and college counseling. We select students based upon financial need who demonstrate strong character, ambition and academic potential.

Thank you for supporting our efforts as we celebrate 25 years. Please continue your generosity as our scholars continue moving forward.



Paul O'Connor, President of the Board of Directors, leading HighSight's campaign.

**Paul O'Connor** has been involved in HighSight since its inception in 1992. Paul has been a donor, volunteer, Advisory Council Member and is now President of the Board of Directors. In his professional life, Paul joined Hamilton Partners, one of the leading commercial, retail and industrial real estate developers

in the Chicago and Salt Lake City, shortly after its creation in 1987. He now assumes responsibility for leasing Hamilton Partner's growing portfolio of office properties. Paul has also taken a lead role in raising \$4.5 million for HighSight.

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Saturday, December 30 8:00pm - 1:00am Merchandise Mart 222 West Merchandise Mart

## One great cause. One big party.

The **EVE of the EVE** takes place the night before New Year's Eve and all proceeds benefit HighSight's scholarship program. This black-tie optional event offers more than 2,000 partygoers the opportunity to mix and mingle while jump-starting their New Year's Celebration. The party takes over Chicago's iconic Merchandise Mart, where guests enjoy cocktails, heavy hors d'oeuvres, a live band and dancing. This much-anticipated event is truly one of Chicagoland's premiere holiday choices year after year.

Open Bar / Hors d'oeuvres / Silent Auction / Cash Raffle / Live Music / Dancing

Tickets available at highsight.org

