Lowcountry Student Summit Schedule: January 26, 2019

8:45–9:20 a.m. Check-in
Rose Maree Myers Theater Lobby

9:30–10 a.m. Welcome
Rose Maree Myers Theater

10:15–11:15 a.m. Session I Workshops

FOR STUDENTS: “Paths to Success” (multiple rooms): Join successful men from various backgrounds to learn about their experiences growing up. Find out how their careers have evolved through the years; ask them about challenges they may have encountered; and learn about the choices they made to become successful.

FOR GUARDIANS: “Preparing for Graduation and Beyond” (Media Center): A student’s pathway into and through K-12 often has speed bumps, twists and turns. As students transition from elementary to middle to high school and beyond, they often face challenges that can hinder their success. This session will discuss academic and social milestones and share resources that can help students to prepare for graduation and beyond. The presenter is LaTisha Vaughn from Tri-County Cradle to Career.

FOR EDUCATORS: “Promoting Student Success” (Rose Maree Myers Theater): Conversations about young men of color often focus on the wrongs they do and how the odds are against them. This session will start a new conversation with best practices to promote student success and strategies to increase their engagement and high school graduation rates. The presenter is Anthony James from the College of Charleston.

11:30 a.m.–12:15 p.m. Session II Workshops

FOR STUDENTS

“Do You Want a $175,000 Longshore Job: Here’s How!” Room 1104
International Longshoremen’s Association, Kenneth Riley

“Having ESP: Seeing Your Future Now” Room 1105
Western Michigan University, Ron Dillard

“Start Writing Your College Admission and Scholarship Essays” Room 1106
Eady Does It, Tony Eady, Tiffany Eady and T’Mani Eady

“Careers in Law Enforcement” Room 1108
North Charleston Police Department, Chief Reggie Burgess

“Reality Check for Young Men” Room 1111
Father to Father Inc., Troy Struther and Marc Hines
“Do You Have What It Takes: Life in Emergency Services” Room 1116
Charleston Fire Department, Chief Shaun Gadsden and Jason Dunigan;
S.C. Department of Natural Resources, Kevin Johnson;
Charleston Police Department, D'Angelo Palmer

“So You Want to Be a Millionaire: Financial Literacy 101” Room 1117
State Farm, Germone Gadsden and Consolidated Planning Inc., Terry Scipio

“Careers in the Automotive Industry” Room 1126
Rick Hendrick Chevrolet Charleston, Don Smith and Travis Edwards

“Your Future Self” Room 2103
Charleston County School District, Dennis Muhammad

“Admission and Financial Assistance at Clemson” Room 2104
Clemson University Undergraduate Admissions and Student Financial Aid, Jeff Holiday

“Perfecting Potential — Preparing for Medical School” Room 2106
Medical University of South Carolina, Chris Powers

“Sex Is Complicated; Communication Isn’t” Room 2109
YWCA, Patrice Witherspoon

“Charleston Regional Youth Apprenticeships: A Learn and Earn Opportunity” Room 2110
Trident Technical College, Tanisha Hook, Robert Elliott, Jared Rivers and Bren'Dan Culton;
Clemson University, Marquel Rolack-Smalls

“How to Effectively Communicate with Faculty” Room 2117
Trident Technical College, Amy Hudock and Timothy Brown

“Career Opportunities in the Film and Media Arts Field” Room 2122
Trident Technical College, Randy Grimes

“Developing Electronic Leadership Portfolios” Room 2123
Trident Technical College, Louester A.S. Robinson

“Living on the Positive Side of Life” Room 2124
Boeing, James Dewees

“Bridging the Gap: Youth and Law Enforcement” Room 2203
Charleston County School District, Oscar Douglas;
Charleston Police Department, Detective Latisha Harris and Chief Mario Evans

“Testing 101: What You Need to Know about College and Career Tests” Room 2204
Trident Technical College, Mark Fielding

“Social Capital — The Currency of Life” Room 2206
South Carolina Mentors, Samuel Bellamy
“From James Brown to Migos: Cultural Identity through Music” Room 2208
Southside High School, Joshua Tillman and Clemson University, Kendra Stewart-Tillman

“Take Off and Land with a Career in Aviation: Internships at Charleston International Airport” Room 2209
Charleston County Aviation Authority, Sharon Middleton McGhee

“Career Opportunities in the Armed Forces” Room 2211
The Citadel, Col. Robert Pickering; Spann-Wilder Law Firm, Scout Staff Sgt. Jeffery Wilder; Law Offices of Montrio Belton, Montrio Belton

“Ethical Leadership” Room 2217
Clemson University, William McCoy

“Men Can Be Feminists, Too: How to Become a Champion of Gender Justice” Room 2221
Clemson University, Kelly Carter and Angela Carter

“BOSS: Preparing for a Career as an Entrepreneur” Room 2222
Charleston Hispanic Association, Enrique Grace

FOR GUARDIANS: “Financing the Future” (Media Center): The decisions that students make today will impact them for decades. Learn how to give students a head start by gaining practical tips that will help finance their future. Guardians will break into small groups based on their students’ grade levels:

• Guardians of 12th-graders will have the opportunity to learn about FAFSA. The presenter is Sarah Piwinski from Tri-County Cradle to Career (Media Center Computer Lab 8208)

• Guardians of eighth- to 11th-graders will have the opportunity to learn about the FAFSA forecaster and scholarships. The presenter is Melinda Mihlbauer from PACE Scholarship Academy. (Media Center)

FOR EDUCATORS: “The Effects of Stress and Trauma on the School Success of Students of Poverty and Students of Color” (Rose Maree Myers Theater): This session will address the disproportionately high incidence of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) among students of poverty and color. The presenter will also explain how ACEs alter the assumptions, mindsets and thought patterns of these students, and how these factors result in behaviors and learning challenges that interfere with school success and graduation. The presenter is Sandy Addis from the National Dropout Prevention Center.
12:15–1 p.m. Lunch  
Cafeteria

1:15–2 p.m. Keynote Address: Brian Heat  
Rose Maree Myers Theater

2:15–3 p.m. Session III Workshops

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FOR GUARDIANS: “Questions to Ask Teachers and Guidance Counselors” (Media Center):
For students, the ultimate support system is not an expert teacher, but an informed and supportive family. This session will discuss questions parents and guardians should ask teachers and guidance counselors. The presenter is Dennis Muhammad from the Charleston County School District GEAR UP program.

FOR EDUCATORS: “Becoming a Trauma-Skilled School: How Schools Can Overcome the Effects of Stress and Trauma to Achieve Higher Graduation Rates” (Rose Maree Myers Theater):
This session will explain how schools can alter climate and instruction to restore essential resiliency factors that are often absent for trauma-impacted students. The session also focuses on achieving better student behaviors, higher levels of student engagement and higher graduation rates. The presenter is Sandy Addis from the National Dropout Prevention Center.

3:15–4 p.m. Closing, Rose Maree Myers Theater