

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

City Schools' Students Give Us Hope

BALTIMORE (Apr. 29, 2015) — To our Friends,

With all that's happened this week, we are proud to have the privilege of working with so many Baltimore City students who are doing great things in the classroom and beyond. We hear these stories every day from our 20 CollegeBound advisors working full-time in City high schools, and we celebrate the most remarkable of these students with our CollegeBound Scholar of the Week Award.

When you meet a Scholar of the Week, you immediately see a better future for Baltimore. Their collective achievements include admission to the United States Naval Academy, membership in Congressman Elijah Cummings' Youth Program in Israel, captains of sports teams, class valedictorians, a National Merit Scholar, and a Battalion Commander in the Air Force JROTC. You can see their stories at collegeboundfoundation.org and Fox45, and I hope you watch them.

At CollegeBound, we work exclusively in Baltimore City public high schools, providing one-on-one college advising, helping students access our \$1.5 million scholarship portfolio, and delivering crucial Last Dollar Grant gap funding. We also host community events throughout the year, including Saturday, May 16th, where for the first time ever we're hosting a Success Seminar for 8th Graders, open to all Baltimore City 8th graders and their parents.

It's been a challenging week, but the City Schools' seniors headed to college this fall give us hope about Baltimore's future.

Cassie Motz Executive Director

About CollegeBound

For 26 years, the CollegeBound Foundation has helped low-income and first generation students realize their dreams of a college education. Today, CollegeBound operates in 18 Baltimore City public high schools, providing full-

time college advisors, need-based funding through "Last Dollar Grants," and administering an annual scholarship portfolio exceeding \$1.5 million. For more information, please visit collegeboundfoundation.org.

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