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YMI/YWR Joint Session

Our annual YMI/YWR joint session will be held Friday, March 17 at TUCC. This is an opportunity for the young men and women of Philadelphia Futures to come together and discuss relevant issues and topics. Our discussion this year will revolve around

Conflict Resolution.

March Programming

Friday, March 3:
*YMI Roundtable -
Get Fit*

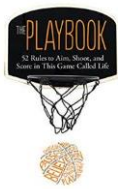
Wednesday, March 8:
*YMI Career Day - Session 2
(Orientation and
Professional Dress)*

Friday, March 17:
*YMI/YWR Joint Session -
Conflict Resolution*

Wednesday, March 22:
*YMI Career Day - Session 3
Business 101*

Friday, March 31:
*YMI Roundtable -
Policing in Our City*

YMI Book of the Month



*The Playbook:
52 Rules to Aim,
Shoot, and
Score in This
Game Called
Life*

By Kwame
Alexander

YMI Celebrates Black History Month

Our young men honored Black History Month by immersing themselves into African-American culture and history. The celebration started with eating traditional soul food, followed by a book discussion of *March* by John Lewis. Finally, Timothy Welbeck, Esq., an African-American Studies professor at Temple University, provided historical and thematic contexts for the book of the month. Mr. Welbeck offered invaluable information, and we are grateful for his contribution.



The roundtable was a great learning experience and allowed our young men to visualize how they can be agents of change in their communities. We are looking forward to our upcoming roundtable this Friday, where we will be taking a trip to "Get Fit" at CrossFit Supercharged!



YMI Men of the Month: Tahmir Brown and Samir Williams *Samuel Fels High School SAS Class of 2018*

This month, YMI is honoring two young men for their dedication to Philadelphia Futures and their academics. In addition to doing well in school and having almost all A's, Tahmir and Samir went the extra mile by taking advantage of YMI opportunities like visiting Haverford, Banking with YMI, and Career Day. These young men have become model students and trust the process. They also have found a true buddy system that is paying off: Tahmir wrote of students like Samir who inspire him because he has similar goals and aspirations. Congratulations, Tahmir and Samir, and keep up the great work!

Meet the New Executive Director of Philadelphia Futures: Sara Woods

Sara Woods joins Philadelphia Futures from Philadelphia VIP, a legal services agency for low-income individuals and families, where she has been the Executive Director for over nine years. [Throughout her entire career](#), Sara has advocated for underserved populations and communities.



We are very excited to welcome Sara as our new Executive Director this Monday, March 6!


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**"Excellence is never an accident.
It is always the result of high intention, sincere
effort, and intelligent execution;
it represents the wise choice of many alternatives –
choice, not chance, determines MY destiny."**

The Young Men's Initiative Oath