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A super summer

We honor and recognize these high school Crusaders, who had top-level participation in our 2015 summer programs. Congrats!

- Creative College Essay Writing
  Patience Adogboyega
  Alex Atemoh
  Julio Avalos
  Erika Baez
  Zhane Bailey
  Samuel Barbosa
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  Enshell Koilor

- Choices
  Michael Ajijan
  Salvatore Alfonsi
  Nadine Alvarez
  Julio Avalos
  Cydrida Arellano
  Jose Caceres
  Nathania Caouette
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  Kyle Diaz Castro
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  Ana Estevez
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  Nathaniel Gidey
  Joel Herrera
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  Juan Jimenez
  Brandon Lindo
  Jaeciah Lopez
  Veronica Lopez
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  Cassandra Lima
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  Ashley Lopez
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  Michael Luna
  Amadou Male
  Pape Male
  Kylorn Marshall
  Saedidden Mejia
  Victoria Molina
  Ann-Eve Monteril
  Madalina Moreira
  Yaxis Munoz
  Esther Olugbisi
  Susan Pineda
  Daniel Pires
  Kareliz Recaray
  Christian Recinos
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  Tamara Snow
  Tempest Spivey
  Karlyn Velasquez
  Maria Woel
  Damien Martinez
  Kevin Martinez
  Denisse Medina
  Angely Mercy
  Stephanie Minogue
  Yazzymn Mitchel
  Yaxis Munoz
  Anyannny Nunez
  Dayla Olivo
  Kristopher Orellana
  David Osorio
  Matthew Pereira
  Cristin Perez
  Alice Phillips
  Nancy Pinto
  Melanie Reyes
  Jessica Reynoso
  Juan Seupeluda
  Austin Strobel
  Brayan Torres
  Gisselle Torres
  Irini Valadez
  Pheng Vang
  Maria Velazquez-Contreras
  Beth Vera

- Johnson & Wales Career Exploration
  Margaret Cruz
  Tiffany Funes
  Alexia Lopez
  Sherry Montes
  Chanda Nuth

- Brown Summer High School
  Aido Aldana
  Zirca Andre-Destanicos
  Silvio Barbosa
  Nicole Bentiez
  Wilmarie Castillo
  Cecilia Cespedes
  Nataly Cruz
  David Daricher
  Daniel Estrada
  Anavic Francisco
  Jessica Garcia
  Lesley Garcia
  Kevin Gonzales
  Jessenia Grigalva
  Zaylai Howie-Nixon
  Giankarlos Jusino

- Math Matters (for 9th graders)
  Tomisona Adedeji
  Juan Aguilar
  Elizabeth Ahwiieng
  Allen Anane
  Raica Andre-Destanicos
  Dumy Baro
  Kristal Brown
  Josue Cabrera
  Brayan Chavez
  Dulcibel Camilo
  Emely Cari
  Donald Clifton
  James Coleman
  Ari Escopiccion
  Yuledi Delacruz
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- Meet Our New Middle School Advisors!
  Crusaders, is your school listed below? If it is, you have a new College Crusade Advisor this year. Make sure you stop in soon and say hello.

  Ethan Robson
  Nathan Bishop
  Middle School & Paul Cuffee
  Middle School

  Jenneya Bennett
  Segue Institute for Learning

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2015衷 Crusaders from Jacqueline M. Walsh School for the Performing Arts pose with RI Postsecondary Commissioner Jan Purcell at a Walkathon event. Below, high school Crusaders participating in our summer Choices program with Toby Shepard from the Rhode Island Foundation. At bottom, middle school Crusaders and Advisors celebrate with a summer CAAP selfie!

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