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College Crusade to host application night at Deering

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (Oct. 16, 2019): The College Crusade of Rhode Island, whose mission is prepare and inspire young people in Rhode Island to become the first in their families to attend and complete college, will host an application night for sixth-grade students at Deering Middle School to join the program next month.

The event will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 7, in the library at the middle school, 2 Webster Knight Drive, West Warwick. To register, visit bit.ly/DeerCruNight.

Starting in the sixth grade, the College Crusade offers students year-round programming through middle and high school, supportive advising, and college application and admission guidance and support – all at no cost to families. Students must enroll in the program in Grade 6.

Programs include after-school academic and enrichment programs, Saturday and summer learning opportunities, career exploration activities, college visits, PSAT and SAT preparation, assistance with financial aid forms and more. Parent workshops and leadership opportunities also are available to College Crusade families.

To complete an application at this event, parents/guardians must bring student proof of age through one of the following: birth certificate or passport (U.S. or non-U.S.), green card or I-94; SNAP (food stamps) letter or a letter from your child’s school to confirm free or reduced-price lunch OR confirmation of first-generation college-bound student status, meaning the parents/guardians do not have a bachelor’s degree from the United States; student’s final fifth-grade report card; student’s personal statement, which is a paragraph describing why he or she wants to be a Crusader; and proof of address, such as a current utility bill, bank statement or pay stub.

Anyone with questions can call Olinda Matos at 401-519-0210.

The College Crusade supports more than 4,000 students in middle school, high school and college each year with one-on-one advising and year-round programs that focus on academic enrichment, social and emotional development, career education, and postsecondary preparation to help them become the first in their families to earn a college degree. Sixth-graders who attend traditional public schools and select public charter schools and private schools in Providence, Cranston, Pawtucket, Central Falls, Woonsocket and West Warwick are eligible to enroll in the College Crusade.

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