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Student Sponsor Partners and Moore Catholic High School unite to impact more NYC youth

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<u>Moore Catholic High School</u> will now be a member of the <u>Student Sponsor Partners</u> network. The New York City-based education nonprofit and Staten Island high school have joined forces to impact more youth in the community.

Student Sponsor Partners launched in 1986 with a handful of schools in two New York City boroughs and expanded with high school partnerships in four of the five boroughs. The new partnership with Moore Catholic High School will create impact in all five boroughs. In addition to providing a college-preparatory education, Moore Catholic High School will support Student Sponsor Partners' mentorship component by sourcing mentors from its extended school community.

"We're thrilled about our partnership with Moore Catholic High School," says Debra De Jesus-Vizzi, Executive Director and alumna of Student Sponsor Partners. "It exemplifies the power of organizations working together to make a difference. As the first graduate of Student Sponsor Partners, I'm an example of how a quality Catholic education and mentorship can change outcomes, and I look forward to seeing the successes of youth in Staten Island who now have these opportunities."

"We look forward to working with Student Sponsor Partners to create opportunity for more youth in our community," says Gina L. DeSantis, President/Principal of Moore Catholic High School.

Student Sponsor Partners is accepting applications for the 2020-21 school year through April 1. To learn about eligibility and application requirements, as well as to see a list of partner schools, please visit <u>sspnyc.org/apply</u>.

In addition, Student Sponsor Partners depends on the support of its community members who help fund scholarships and education programs and mentors who guide students throughout the four years of high school. To learn more and get involved, please visit <u>sspnyc.org</u>.

About Student Sponsor Partners

Student Sponsor Partners harnesses the power of quality education and mentorship to help low-income and academically average students escape the cycle of poverty and reach their highest potential. For more than 30 years, Student Sponsor Partners has paired students with sponsors who fund scholarship and education programs and mentors who guide them through their journeys. Evolving with the changing education and social landscapes, Student Sponsor Partners continues to create a far-reaching impact on students, their families, their communities, and beyond. Learn more at <u>sspnyc.org</u>.

About Moore Catholic High School

Moore Catholic High School is a college preparatory, co-educational, Catholic secondary school dedicated to a student-centered learning environment in the Catholic tradition of excellence in education. We are committed to ensuring excellence through a balanced curriculum so that all students develop their full intellectual, physical, artistic and moral potential. Moore Catholic students will acquire a more elevated sense of responsibility, a correct use of freedom, and be educated for meaningful participation in society. Learn more at moorecatholichs.org.

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