

# WELCOME TO THE



MY BROTHER'S KEEPER

# MBK

## SYMPOSIUM 2025

## EMPOWERING BROTHERHOOD

# BUILDING LEGACY

**APRIL 26, 2025 | 8AM TO 2PM**

**WESTBURY HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM  
1 POST ROAD, OLD WESTBURY, NY 11568**

Sponsored by:



# TODAY'S SCHEDULE

**7:30AM | ARRIVALS, REGISTRATION & PHOTOS @ THE MAIN LOBBY**

**8AM – 8:45AM | BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST @ THE CAFETERIA**

**9AM | EMPOWERMEN SESSION @ THE AUDITORIUM**

## **MBK ROLL CALL**

**Mr. Eric Banks**, MBK Co-Advisor

**Mr. Djurabe Edmond**, Westbury MBK Class of 2025

## **WHS NJROTC FLAG PRESENTATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Directed by **Chief Richard Immarigeon**

(PLEASE REMAIN STANDING UNTIL THE COLORS HAVE RETURNED TO THE BACK OF THE AUDITORIUM)

## **REMARKS, SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Dr. Tahira A. DuPree Chase**, Superintendent of Schools

## **SPEAKER REMARKS**

**Dr. Lester Young**, NYS Chancellor

**Dr. Anael Alston**, Assistant Commissioner -

Office of Access, Equity, and Community Engagement in the NYSEDU

**Mr. Robert Troiano, Jr.**, Councilman

\*\*\***The Honorable Peter I. Cavallaro**, Mayor of Westbury

\*\*\*\***The Honorable Siela Bynoe**, US Senator

**Mr. David Zimbler**, Principal of Westbury High School

**Bishop Lionel Harvey**, Pastor of First Baptist Church of Westbury

## **9:30AM | KEYNOTE SPEAKER | TREY BAKER**

3x Emmy Nominated & Award-Winning Spoken Word Artist | Author | Scholastic Rising Voices Mentor | Special Advisor, MBK Alliance & MBK Chicago Action Team at the Obama Foundation

Introduction by

**Mr. Kyle Bollar**, MBK Co-Advisor

## **9:50AM | EXPLANATION OF THE DAY'S SCHEDULE**

**Mr. Alvin Williams**, MBK Co-Advisor

## **9:55AM | GROUP PHOTO @ THE AUDITORIUM**

## **10AM – 11:40AM | MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS & ACTIVITIES**

(please follow your schedule provided at registration)

## **11:45AM TO 12:30PM | LUNCH**

## **12:35PM – 1:40PM | AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS & ACTIVITIES**

(please follow your schedule provided at registration)

## **1:45PM – 2PM | THE LEGACY DEBRIEF @ THE AUDITORIUM**

## **SWAG PICK-UP & DEPARTURES**



# BREAKOUT SESSIONS & ACTIVITIES

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## **Fade to Black: Money Management Tips and The Path to Entrepreneurship**

**Room 180** | Mickell Vickers & Nicholas Williams

## **Flip the Script: Surviving Interactions with Law Enforcement**

**Room 181** | Damon Jones & NYPD Guardians

## **Mentoring**

**Room 186** | Dr. Olufemi Fadeyibi

## **The Dangers of Vaping**

**Room 188** | Dr. Bertrand M. Desir & MaryElaine Gibbo

## **Board Games**

**The Auxiliary Gym** | Alvin Williams

## **Team Building Activities**

**The Main Gymnasium** | Eric Banks

## **Gaming Trucks**

**Outside** | Freshman Cafeteria

## **Tie the Knot: The Art of Fastening Your Tie**

**Rooms 178** | MBK Advisors

## **Networking Session**

**The Auditorium**

## **Q&A with Trey Baker**

**Rooms 182** | Trey Baker



***My Brother's Keeper*** is all about [helping] more of our young people stay on track. Providing the support, they need to think more broadly about their future. Building on what works – when it works, in those critical life-changing moments.”

— President Barack Obama, February 2, 2015



## WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

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**Dr. Roger M. Bloom**, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel

**Mr. Brendan Gallivan**, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Curriculum & Instruction

**Ms. Robin Barnett**, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Curriculum & Instruction

**Ms. Mary O'Neill**, Acting Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations

## WESTBURY HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING ADMINISTRATION:

**Mr. David Zimblar**, Principal

**Mr. Reginald Warren**, Assistant Principal

**Dr. Paul Pelech**, Assistant Principal

**Dr. Christie Thiel**, Assistant Principal

## SPECIAL GUESTS:

**Dr. Ken Brown**, Owner, Aunt Sarah Catering | The Westbury HS Custodial Staff  
WUFSD Facilities Department | Westbury Security Department | Westbury Technology Department

## VOLUNTEERS:

**Natale Richards, Nellynia Suprien, Laila Desir, Chency Desrosiers, Jada Branch, Adrianna Antenor, Maliya Seraj, Jonathan Bonilla, Bastian Arriaza, Jefferson Martinez, Melanie Abreu, Melissa Abreu, Emily Soriano**