

POUGHKEEPSIE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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MY BROTHER'S KEEPER



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In 2014, former President Barack Obama established the My Brother's Keeper (MBK) Task Force at the federal level. The Task Force was an interagency effort focused on closing and eliminating the opportunity gaps faced by boys and young men of color so that all young people have the chance to reach their full potential.

In response to the President Obama's call to action, nearly 250 communities in all 50 states have accepted the My Brother's Keeper Community Challenge. In alignment with MBK; and new federal policy initiatives, grant programs, and guidance are being implemented to ensure that every child has a clear pathway to success from cradle to college and career.

JUST THE FACTS

- Poverty, exposure to violence and trauma, family distress, and social stigmas may impair a students' cognitive, behavioral, and social and emotional development and lead to further marginalization
- Attendance, Behavior and Course performance, known as the ABCs, were identified as common early warning indicators for the vast majority of both the middle and high school students that did not graduate high school.
- The biggest risk factor for failing ninth grade is the number of absences during the first 30 days of high school, and failing ninth grade is one of the most important predictors of dropping out
- In NYS, between 2011-2015 school years, nearly 1 in every 4 Black, Latino, and Native American males were enrolled in special education services
- Black youth with a positive role model suffered less from anxiety, developed depressive symptoms at lower rates, and had reduced incidents of aggressive behaviors
- Long-term placement in special education has impacted students of color socially and emotionally, inducing them to adopt characteristics of a disability that have made them susceptible to mislabeling, stigmatization, low expectations, poor instruction, and limited access to enrichment activities

MBK SUMMER STEM & SPORTS CAMP

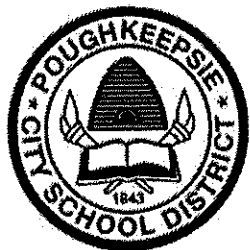
Summer Camp will include: mentoring, academic and cultural enrichment, positive youth development, character education, games and recreation, off-site field trips, free meals (breakfast, lunch, and snacks), and community service.



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Changing the Narrative



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PCSD My Brother's Keeper STEM & Sports Camp 2019

Dear Parents and Student,

The Poughkeepsie City School District in partnership with the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce and the City of Poughkeepsie sponsor the My Brother's Keeper initiative at Poughkeepsie High School. The young men in this program are mentored by adult community mentors and are provided with internship and leadership opportunities.

The MBK Summer STEM & Sports Camp will be held at Poughkeepsie Middle School, where a team of highly qualified educators, trained student mentors, and staff will provide daily science, math and technology instruction, sports & recreation, and character building activities. There will also be specific instruction in the area of Restorative Practices, which aims to strengthen relationships between individuals as well as social connections within communities. The targeted audience for this program is young males of color entering into grades 3 through 8. The group sizes may be small in order to allow for high quality instruction and individual attention.

Program Dates: Monday, July 8th through Thursday, August 8th
Monday through Thursday
Sign-In and Breakfast: 8:00 a.m. Dismissal: 3:00 p.m.

Please understand that enrollment is **limited** and on a first come first serve basis, until the program is filled. Completion of this application does not guarantee enrollment in the program. Applications that are received after the program has been filled, will be held in case of any openings. Please return this registration letter along with the attached *My Brother's Keeper Challenge Grant - Poughkeepsie STEM & Sports Camp Student Enrollment, Participation, & Data Collection Form - Summer 2019* by Wednesday, June 28, 2019 to your school's Principal.

Sincerely,

Mario Johnson

My Brother's Keeper Project Coordinator
Extended Learning Time Program Coordinator



Please complete the information below and return to the school's Principal:

_____ I am interested in having my child attend the Poughkeepsie MBK Summer STEM & Sports Camp. *I understand that transportation will not be provided.* If my child is selected to attend, I will arrange for my child to be dropped off at 8:00 a.m. and picked up at 3:00 p.m.

Student's Name: _____ Entering into Grade: _____

Which school did you attend this year? _____

Parent's Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____



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**My Brother's Keeper STEM & Sports Camp
Student Enrollment, Participation, & Data Collection Form
Summer 2019**

Student Information

Student Name:	School:	
Grade:	Date of Birth:	
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:

Parent/Guardian Information

Name of Primary Parent/Guardian:	
Relationship to Child (Please check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/> Father <input type="checkbox"/> Grandmother <input type="checkbox"/> Grandfather <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	
Language(s) Spoken at Home: <input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish <input type="checkbox"/> French <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Work Phone:	Email:

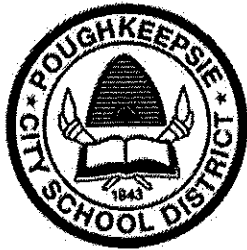
I give my child permission to enroll and participate in the Poughkeepsie City School District My Brother's Keeper Challenge Grant STEM & Sports Camp. This program is offered in partnership with the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce and the City of Poughkeepsie.

As a requirement of the Poughkeepsie City School District My Brother's Keeper Challenge Grant, an independent evaluator will gather data from programs funded by the grant. I also grant permission for any of the program evaluators to use any data collected for evaluative purposes. Any individual student data collected will only be used to assess the My Brother's Keeper Challenge Grant programs and will not be made public or shared with unauthorized individuals. No identifying information will be used.

Parent/Guardian Name (Print): _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Signature): _____

Date: _____



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Release of Child at Dismissal

I give my child permission to walk home alone at dismissal: Yes _____ No _____

**** If NO, my child may only be picked up after-school by one of the following individuals unless I inform the school otherwise. It is my responsibility to inform the school of any changes in regards to this. ****

Name 1:	Relationship to Student:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Name 2:	Relationship to Student:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:

Health Information

 YES, my child's medical information (allergies, medications, health care needs & medical issues of importance) is on file with the school in the nurse's office.

If my child requires emergency medical care and I cannot be reached, I give my consent to the Poughkeepsie City School District to obtain the necessary medical care for my child. I agree to pay all costs associated with the emergency medical care that my child receives. I understand that every effort will be made to contact me before and after medical care is provided. I understand that this consent will be in effect as of the date of my signing this form and will continue as long as my child is enrolled in this program.

 Parent/Guardian Name (Print)

 Parent/Guardian Signature

 Date



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Consent to Photograph, Film, or Videotape a Student for Non-Profit Use

(E.G., Educational, Public Service or Health Awareness Purposes)

I hereby consent to the participation in interviews, the use of quotes, and the taking of photographs, movies or videotapes of the student named above by the Poughkeepsie City School District and their partners. I also grant to the Poughkeepsie City School District and their partners the right to edit, use, and reuse said products for non-profit purposes including use in print, on the internet, and all other forms of media. I also hereby release the Poughkeepsie City School District and its partners, agents, and employees from all claims, demands, and liabilities whatsoever in connection with the above.

Grant consent

Refuse consent

Parent/Guardian Name (Print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date