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CAMBA College Bound Prepared 2023 Graduate Tamia for College

Tamia is now studying at Rochester Institute of Technology



Tamia and her family moved from their native Trinidad to the United States a few years ago, and they now call Brooklyn home.

As a participant in the CAMBA College Bound program, Tamia already had experience with college-level classes by the time she graduated from the High School for Public Service: Heroes of Tomorrow (HSPS) this past June.

"I gained a lot of amazing memories with my friends and teachers," recalls Tamia, "but most of my time in high school was spent studying and participating in extra programs to get ahead."

"Through the CAMBA College Bound program, I expanded my knowledge in various ways by taking college-level classes early on."

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CAMBA College Bound integrates best practices between our college access programs, providing support across all CAMBA programs serving high-school aged students on their journey to college and engaging with our program

alumni as they work towards college graduation. It employs proven strategies to help students improve attendance and academic performance leading to high school graduation, college enrollment and college graduation. The program provides information and support to more than 500 students and their families across CAMBA's Beacon and Cornerstone Community Centers as well as individual schools through student support, monthly events and resource distribution facilitated by CAMBA College Bound staff.

For Tamia, the College Bound program enabled her to enjoy both academic and extracurricular activities.

"I was very focused on school, but I also made sure I had time for myself to do the things I enjoyed. I started going out more, joined my school's volleyball club, and even decided to pick up a new hobby, crocheting."

In addition to the CAMBA College Bound program, Tamia also participated in a medical program at the Arthur Ashe Institute for Urban Health, whose mission aligned with her education at HSP.

"I am glad that I really took advantage of the CAMBA College Bound program and what it offered," says Tamia. "The program was very useful for me because I asked for help and made connections with people. You cannot let opportunities that are being provided to you go to waste."

Tamia has just started her college education at Rochester Institute of Technology. "I've been on campus for about a month now. Everything is going well and I'm adjusting to college life! It's a bit scary, but I'm excited to be somewhere new where I can continue to grow," says Tamia.

"The CAMBA College Bound program was extremely beneficial to me. Not only have I met some great people, but it has prepared me for what's to come."

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