

CANADIAN YOUTH OF EAST AFRICA

Our Career Mentorship Programs

Elevate Career Mentorship Program



Statistics show 20% of black students in Ontario dropout of high school - that is double the rate for white and other racialized students. The Elevate Program created and run by the Canadian Youth of East Africa (YEA) in partnership with the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) aims to change this predicament.

Elevate is a virtual career mentorship program geared towards diversifying the career choices of black high school students ahead of their post-secondary choices. The program aims to showcase representation in diverse career fields by focusing on Black and other persons of colour as mentors.

Elevate Goals

- To dramatically **Reduce** the high school dropout rate of black students.
- To **Increase** the number of black students who go on to post-secondary education.
- To **Create** a Mentor-Mentee relationship that will foster transfer of information from racialized young professionals to students.



Elevate Objectives



1. Showcase benefits of / differences between Universities, Colleges and Schools of Trade
2. Connect young professionals from diverse industries/professions with high school students
3. Provide an opportunity for students to practice their networking skills
4. Provide students with summaries on different industries/fields of study
5. Give students tips on how to stay motivated and inspired
6. Highlight resources for assistance with school work
7. Encourage parental and community support for higher education
8. Highlight various diverse career paths
9. Show students a look at Job Market in the future

Our goal is to bring career diversity awareness and mentorship to over 200 (majority black) High School Students a year from disadvantaged and low income communities in Ontario at no financial cost to the students and their families. As a non-profit organization, we can only do this through your support. From donations in-kind such as technology and labour-hours (for mentors) to monetary donations, this program needs your support to not only be successful but to be impactful!

Boost Career Mentorship Program

It is our mission to not only inspire young black Canadians to reach their highest potential but to also create opportunities and provide them with support. Boost is a virtual career mentorship program that aims to create opportunities for post-secondary students and recent graduates to interact and learn from professionals who are excelling in their chosen career fields.



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