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Stories of student success



Tariah - Class of '25, Howard

"TeenSHARP told me, 'If it's not there, then make it yourself.' My principal said I couldn't start a Black Student Union at school. So, I co-founded the Delaware Black Student Coalition — for the whole state."

[Click here](#) to read how Tariah persevered through personal loss and racism in school to find her voice as a young Black leader.

Josh - Class of '25, Cornell

"Because of TeenSHARP, I decided to apply Early Decision to my dream school. I submitted my application months ahead of schedule thanks to how much writing and research Ms. Tatiana had us do."

[Click here](#) to read about Josh's longtime passion for engineering: where it began, where it's headed, and how it got him in touch with the world's top telescope makers.



Daniela - Class of '25, Cornell

"Joining TeenSHARP was one of my biggest blessings. This is where I learned how the system worked."

[Click here](#) to read how Daniela stayed on track for her college dreams when her parents—mushroom farmers who immigrated from Mexico—lost work during COVID-19.



Hasana - Class of '25, Pomona

"Metal sharpens metal. At TeenSHARP, I've met students who inspire me to do more and better. Everyone supports each other, works together, and celebrates each other."

[Click here](#) to read how Hasana adjusted to life in the United States when she moved from Saudi Arabia, and overcame low expectations in her school to get a Questbridge match.



Asquith - Class of '25, Oberlin

"TeenSHARP has shaped me: mind, body, and soul. I really feel TeenSHARP is a blessing from God and my late father."

[Click here](#) to read how Asquith is honoring his father's legacy by pursuing his highest potential through education—and how he made it through pandemic learning.



Janae - Class of '25, Macalester

"I don't know what I would have done without my support system, including TeenSHARP. Now I have an opportunity that will set me on the trajectory of living a life of impact despite being born deaf and despite the trauma I've endured."

[Click here](#) to read how Janae overcame remarkable grief—her father's death, and her mother's abandonment—to apply to college while homeless and emancipated, and gain acceptance to Macalester with generous financial aid.





Alex - Class of '24, Pitzer

"Most of my family couldn't finish secondary education. With TeenSHARP I learned a lot about the application process and how to find the best scholarships. Our demographics should not impact our ability to attend college."

[Click here](#) to read how Alex gave back to his community throughout high school—and became a first-generation college student with almost all expenses paid.

Yahnee - Class of '24, Carleton

"As a TeenSHARP scholar, I spent my Saturdays and summers immersed in learning about apartheid when reading *Kaffir Boy* by Mark Mathabane or grappling with topics outside of the mainstream US History curriculum when reading Howard Zinn's *A People History of the United*."

[Click here](#) to read how TeenSHARP helped Yahnee get into Carleton on a full scholarship—almost a decade after we met her single mother and worked with her older sister, Nybria.



Anthony - Class of '24, Bates

"From helping me with my Tucker Hill law school application, to dealing with my shortcomings, and to being one of my biggest motivations, I say, thank you."

[Click here](#) to read how Anthony walked in the footsteps of another Anthony: TeenSHARP's Director of Pre-College Programs, and a life-changing mentor for SHARPIes.



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