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Dear Friends,

Every school year begins with fresh energy — new classrooms, new faces, new opportunities. At Elevate, it's also the time when our teacher-mentors help students lay down the roots that will not only shape their school year, but also their futures. Roots of character, consistency, and trust are at the top of the list. These are roots that come from having a stable, caring adult walking with them every day — during class, after school, on weekends, and ultimately through the summer.

Your dedication, passion, and commitment to improving the lives of students across our community in Northeast Florida continue to inspire us everyday. Together, we're not just building programs, we are building leaders!

With gratitude,
John Laurence
Development Director
Elevate Jacksonville

Foundations & Futures



Our students are already dreaming big this year. Here's what they're saying about what they're learning in their Elevate classes.

**Aryan, 7th Grader,
Ribault Middle School**

My Roots

"At Elevate I've learned to be a leader and to be more responsible to my peers, guardians, and teachers. I have also learned how to show more leadership when others are not. Elevate has taught me to be nicer to people that I don't know and others who need help.

My Dream

"When I grow up, I want to be a brain surgeon! Elevate has taught me how to use teamwork and I believe this will help me in my future career."

**Zolaench, 8th Grader
Westside Middle
School**

My Roots:

"By being a student in Elevate, I'm able to understand more words and their meaning. I've learned the 13 Character Qualities and Life skills which allowed me to gain confidence and integrity."

My Dream:

"I want to study design at The University of New York and become a professional model".

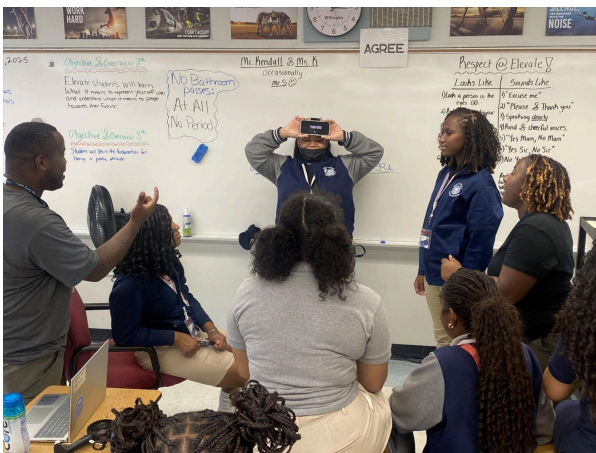
A Local Legend Lights the Way: Dr. Riggins Encourages Students to Aim High



Students at Westside Middle had the opportunity this month to hear from Dr. Ephraim Riggins, a distinguished Jacksonville leader. Dr. Riggins, a FAMU Sports Hall of Fame pitcher and Doctor of Pharmacy, shared his journey of perseverance, excellence, and commitment to both education and community service.

Moments like these help our students connect their classroom learning to real-world opportunities — motivating them to dream big and work hard toward their goals.

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