



**FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT  
FOR HEALTHY LIVING  
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

September 7, 2016

Greetings 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students!

**I want to invite you to participate in Y Achievers—the premier youth development program for 5<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> graders in Philadelphia Freedom Valley YMCA!**

The Y Achievers program is career exploration/college prep program for 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students at Bache Martin. This year, the program will focus on career exploration by teaching interview skills, financial literacy workshops, guest speakers and much much more!

**The program meets on Thursdays 3:00pm-4:30pm at Bache Martin School beginning on September 29<sup>th</sup>. The program runs through May 25<sup>th</sup>. Note, the program does not operate on early dismissal days.**

If you are interested in signing up, please fill out a Y Achievers application and attach a copy of your most recent report card! Please return the application form with your most recent report card to your teacher by September 26, 2016.

#### **What is Y Achievers?**

The Y Achievers Program is an academic achievement/career development initiative purposed to help teens and pre-teens set and pursue high educational and career goals, resulting in graduation and acceptance to an institution of higher learning. At the Philadelphia Freedom Valley YMCA, Y Achievers expands on this goal by providing developmentally based mentorship and workshop activities designed to give 5th-12th grade youth the tools they need to succeed in college and beyond.

#### **Why Become a Y Achiever?**

Y Achievers is designed to help students realize their full potential. The program provides the necessary tools required to become successful in attaining goals, pursuing collegiate dreams and beyond. Benefits of participating in the Y Achievers program include:

- Free membership to the YMCA
- Access to college scholarships
- Relationship building and networking opportunities
- Connection to service learning projects

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, feel free to contact us!

Sincerely,

## **The Achievers Team**

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