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*****MEDIA ALERT*****

YLC's College Admissions Project to Host Career Panel

- WHO:** [College Admissions Project \(CAP\)](#)
- WHAT:** CAP will host a career panel for high school juniors and seniors at International High School. The panel will feature a diverse group of professionals speaking about their career paths.
- WHEN:** **Thursday, April 25, 2013**
11:00 a.m.
- WHERE:** **International High School**
727 Carondelet St.
New Orleans, LA
[\(Map\)](#)
- HOW:** The panel will include the following speakers: Dennis Bagneris, Nonprofit Program Manager; Kenneth Polite, Attorney, 2013 YLC Role Model; Natalie Palms, Musician; Deborah Anderson, Graphic Designer; April Page Vogt, Engineer, and Cecilia Gugel, Healthcare Professional, among others.
- WHY:** "Often we, as mentors, see the disconnect between the high school students we work with and long-term career-oriented thinking," said Aneesha Marwah, CAP Project Leader. "We want to showcase the reason and merits why college and advanced degrees are important to their future."

The College Admissions Project (CAP), a project of the YLC, is a volunteer mentoring program providing college admissions guidance to low-income or first-generation college students in New Orleans public high schools. Established in 2007, CAP is committed to increasing college enrollment and improving educational outcomes for New Orleans public high school students.

Each fall, high school seniors are matched with YLC members as their volunteer "guides." Guides meet with their students regularly to draft a college wish list, discuss application deadlines, provide ACT prep, edit essays, file the FASFA, and search for and apply to scholarships. Guides are trained on the college admissions process and are supported by a volunteer administrative team.

The Young Leadership Council is a non-profit, non-partisan civic organization created to develop leadership through community projects. Through volunteer-created community projects, the YLC recruits and retains young professionals to New Orleans, creating a positive impact on the quality of life in the region. The oldest, independent YPO (young professionals' organization) in the country, the YLC has raised more than \$25 million to support community projects in and around the New Orleans area since 1986.

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