



Building Men Program
103 Mann Drive
Syracuse, NY 13209

Dear Friends,

We are excited to be planning the **3rd annual Building Men Program Breakfast** for this October, and we are writing to invite you to be a sponsor of the breakfast to support the young men of our community. Your support of this event directly contributes to the programming we do throughout Syracuse to help young boys develop into men of character. This year's breakfast will be held on **Saturday, October 20, 2018, at the Institute of Technology at Central (ITC)** with the theme of "The Next Level." The Building Men Program is proud to partner with the staff and students at ITC – including current and former Building Men participants – to host this year's breakfast.

The Building Men Program's mission is "to support young men of Syracuse in their journey towards becoming men of character by helping them develop their purpose and passion, instilling integrity in their leadership, and providing them with opportunities to build healthy relationships with others." With the help of our community sponsors and SCSD partners, in 2017-18 we provided mentorship and programming to over 200 students in eight middle schools and four high schools. Students received academic tutoring, engaged in leadership development activities, completed community service projects, and our 8th graders underwent a special Rite of Passage experience to mark their transition to high school. This past year we also added a Family Engagement component, hosting parenting book clubs and a community-wide activity fair to support our families in raising young men of character.

We believe that developing a fellowship of young males striving to become responsible men will increase their motivation, passion, and leadership and help create a positive impact on the young men's development and on our entire community. **You can help us continue this important work by supporting this year's Building Men Program Breakfast.** Enclosed please find detailed information about sponsorship levels and opportunities. Please return the enclosed sponsorship form by **August 31, 2018** to ensure recognition in our breakfast program. Contact Dave Reckess at daver@peacefulschools.com or (315) 254-8831 if you have any questions.

With much thanks and appreciation,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dave Reckess".

Dave Reckess, Chair
Building Men Breakfast Committee

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Horan".

Joe Horan, Founder and Executive Director
Building Men Program

Be "A" man not "the" man