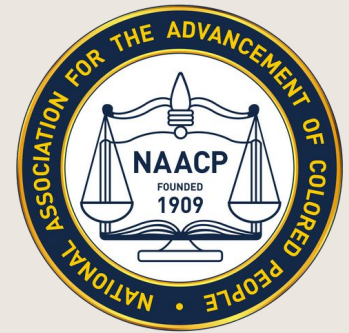




Newport News NAACP Youth & College Program



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Who Am I?

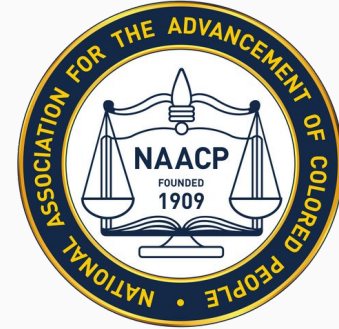
Introduction

My name is Dayman Parrish, and I am a 4th-year student at Christopher Newport University!

- Political Science Major, Civic Engagement and Social Justice & Human Rights and Conflict Resolution Double Minor
- Bonner Service Scholar at CNU
- President of the Alpha Alpha Pi Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. at CNU
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The NAACP Youth and College Program (YCP)



What it consists of

- A program specific to youth in the Newport News area that allows middle/high school students to learn about things happening in their community and the world around them.
- Civil discourse on racial injustices in the community and the United States, voting rights, the political climate, social and economic skills, college and the workforce, and more is covered.
- Program provides a mentorship-style relationship to younger members in the program in collaboration with CNU students.



What the NAACP YCP provides:



✓ **Bi-Weekly Meetings**

The NAACP YCP will meet twice a month and each meeting will be related to a topic relevant to its participants, issues in the local community, or issues happening nationally that affect everyone.



✓ **Open and honest dialogue**

The program expects that conversations and opinions shared will be conducted with respect and open-mindedness in order to value the perspectives of all of its participants.



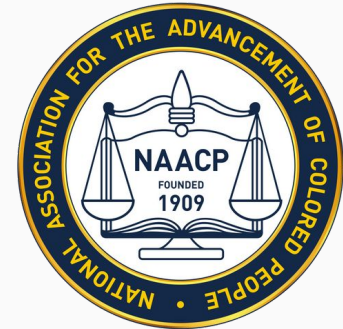
✓ **Volunteer Opportunities**

A part of assisting in the community is by serving those within it. The program will provide opportunities for its participants to participate in community service projects within the communities they reside in.





Why did I create it?



Goals in mind

- To provide the opportunity to bring together NNPS, the NN community as a whole, and the CNU community and mend the complicated relationship that exists
- To allow a space for young minds to participate in civil discourse on social issues directly impacting them and their communities



Success and Next Steps

Warwick High School

- Presenting the project to Warwick High proved successful, as many students showed interest in the program
- Plan to fully implement the program beginning at the start of the 2024-25 school year.



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Thank you!

