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LOOKING AHEAD...

**FAU Medical
Students: Service
Learning Project**

**VINER Scholarship
Site Visit**

**NEW PROPEL
Board Member**

Community Partners

**PROPELIAN
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PROPEL Reunion 2023: Celebrating Achievements & Inspiring Futures

In this vibrant tapestry of our youth program, connections are forged and friendships bloom, creating a community that feels like a second family. The much-anticipated reunion of our beloved PROPEL program brought together a diverse array of individuals, spanning different ages, backgrounds, and life paths. Held at our new location, the event was not just a chance to reconnect but also an opportunity to reminisce, laugh, and create new memories together.

Old friendships were reignited as familiar faces greeted each other with warmth and enthusiasm. Hugs, laughter, and shared stories instantly transported everyone back to the days when we were all part of something special that has been life changing for so many.

As conversations flowed, memories of the time at PROPEL flooded back. From the exhilarating adventures to the challenges we overcame together, each story served as a reminder of the bonds we formed and the lessons we learned.

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Amidst the laughter and chatter, we heard stories of the journeys post-PROPEL – the challenges faced, victories celebrated, lessons learned and the successes of our fellow PROPEL alumni. From college achievements and career milestones to personal achievements, each participant had a unique story to tell. It was inspiring to see how everyone had grown and flourished since their time in PROPEL and it became clear that the support system forged during their time at PROPEL played a pivotal role in shaping their paths and propelling them towards success.



One PROPELIAN, shared how the program inspired her to pursue a career in occupational therapy, thanking PROPEL for instilling in her the courage to pursue her dreams. Others chimed in with their own accounts of growth and self-discovery, illustrating the profound impact that PROPEL had on their lives and the realization that the friendships formed during the program were enduring and resilient.



While we cherished the past, the reunion also offered the chance to create new memories. Whether it was swapping stories over a delicious meal provided by Mississippi Sweets or simply catching up on each other's lives, every moment was infused with joy and camaraderie.



As the night drew to a close, there was a sense of gratitude for the relationships we had rekindled and the memories we had shared. It is evident that PROPEL is not just a program – it is a catalyst for lifelong connections and shared aspirations. While some paths may have diverged, the bond forged at PROPEL remains unbreakable, a tight-knit family, united by their experiences, and dreams, serving as a foundation for future reunions and continued friendships.



The PROPEL reunion was more than just a gathering and a celebration of the past, it was a testament to the enduring power of community and the impact of shared experiences and the timeless bonds of friendship. As we bid farewell, we left with hearts full of nostalgia and excitement for the future, knowing that no matter where life takes us, we will always have this cherished connection to hold onto.



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