

# SOURCE's Partner of the Month – MARCH 2015

**Name of Organization: Brotherhood Alliance for Science Education (BASE)**

**Mission:** BASE is committed to ensuring that young minority men (ages 13-18) in Baltimore City are on a positive and productive life trajectory. Through brotherhood and mentorship, we will assist our young men to reach their highest potential professionally and personally as they grow to be confident, competent, caring individuals, empowered to achieve excellence.

**Programs and Services:** Young minority men from local high schools in Baltimore come to the Armstrong Medical Education Building (AMEB) every week in order to participate in lessons centered around valuable life skills and interact with professional students in the hopes of establishing meaningful, long term mentoring relationships.

**Inspiration:** We are dedicated in our vision to encourage our young men to look beyond the stereotypes and societal expectations. Our goal is for the BASE mentees to develop academically, professionally, and socially so that when they graduate from our program, they will be equipped with a solid foundation of critical and independent thinking skills to be successful leaders in the community and be prepared for secondary education or the work force.

**Biggest Challenge:** Connecting with and relating to the young men can be challenging at first, but is definitely rewarding once their sometimes tough exteriors have been melted away.

**Involvement Opportunities:** Both male and female student volunteers spend two hours each week with our BASE guys (Wednesdays from 4-6pm), teaching a lesson on valuable life skills and playing sports with them afterwards.



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