

# 2019 Baltimore City White Knight Track Club Press Kit

“Keeping Youth On Track”

2019 AAU 4x200 Indoor National Champions, 4x100 AAU Junior Olympic All-Americans (Rya Cooper, Hope Jackson, Nahla Valentine, Grace Jackson), Turbo Javelin Club Championship National Champion (Nahla Valentine), 400 Meter Club Championship All-American (Rya Cooper)



## Our Mission:

- BCWKTC is a non-profit youth sports program serving children ages 5-18 in the Baltimore metro area. The mission of BCWKTC is to create a positive environment for youth and promote track and field in the Baltimore Metro area. The program supports education, healthy development and deter youth from incarceration.

## Objectives:

- To create an education centric culture with sports as a tool in the quest for quality high school placements and college scholarships.
- Fostering national amateur sports competition.
- To increase participation in youth track in field in the Baltimore Metro area.
- To provide safe activities for youth and deter them from being involved in criminal acts and incarceration.
- To support healthy lifestyles and quality physical, emotional and social development.

## Programs:

- Core Form Conditioning Training (November-February)
- Spring Track & Field (March-May)
- Junior Olympic Team (June - August)
- Keeping Youth On Track Camp (Summer) Our summer camp focuses on limiting summer learning loss through literacy, success mapping, college readiness, basic biomechanics and fitness.



- Teen Ladies Night, social-emotional support group for female, teenage student athletes.
- Track Our Youth Program Long time commitment to every athlete in our program. Quarterly events hosted and planned by our youth to re-engage our athletes who've moved onto high school. In this interaction we get reports on grades, social development and community service hours. We also offer resources for mentoring, college preparation/support and complete registrations for outdoor track.
- Community Service Hours Our coaches and parents chaperone youth as we serve our Baltimore communities with community cleanup efforts, family adoption for the holiday, serving the homeless, food drives and delivering memo's to residents from their community leaders and organizations.
- Spare Your Spikes Program We accept used competition track spikes that athletes can no longer fit. Spikes will be offered a discounted price of \$10 to assist parents with some of the financial burdens. Sales of all spikes will be donated back to the program for equipment needs, travels expenses etc.
- Peer Tutoring All of our youth are supported as students first. Students are required to maintain a 2.0 GPA with no failing grades. Instead of kicking youth off the team, we mandate tutoring and suspend track meet privileges. This peer support network has worked in maintaining a 3.18 team GPA.

### **2019 Student Athletes:**

- As a program we've served 350 student athletes in the Baltimore area since 2014. In 2019 we served 101 kids, ages 5-18. The vast majority of our student athletes are from the East Baltimore community (Frankford, Cedonia, Hamilton, Belair). Our athletes are required to complete a student athlete agreement in order to participate with the White Knights. Athletes are required to submit their report cards quarterly and



- maintain a minimum 2.0 average with no failing grades. The 2018-19 school year our team had a combined GPA of 3.08.
- We have 4 student athletes heading to high school this year. Denmark Woody will attend Polytechnic Institute, Amir Atkins and Kyndahl Fortune will attend City College High School, Akata Wise will attend Episcopal High School.
  - We enrolled 15 youth ages 8-18 in our summer camp. 83% of high school students completed success map project, detailing prerequisites from high school to a career of interest. 75% of elementary and middle school students completed their summer reading, essay and presentation. 87% of youth enrolled completed Basic Biomechanics and fitness sessions.

### **2019 Athletics:**

- In 2019, The White Knight Track Club had 4 National Champions.
- In 2019, The White Knight Track Club had 31 All-American Podium appearances from 27 athletes.
- In 2019, The White Knight Track Club bought home 6 medals from an International Meet held at Prince George's County Sports and Learning Complex.
- 100% of the youth on our travel team qualified for regional championships. 90% of youth qualified for national championships.
- This year youth traveled to North Carolina A&T University, Liberty University and ESPN Worldwide Sports Arena in Orlando, Florida for competitions which were all amazing experiences for our inner city youth.
- We've had 144 athletes qualify and compete on a national level since 2014 for a total of 51 All-Americans.



## **Sponsors, Funders And Partners:**

- Special Thanks To Our Community Partners, Funders, Sponsors, Donors: Annie E. Casey Foundation, Under Armour, City Council President Brandon Scott, Overlea High School, Baltimore City College High School (Principal Harcum, Coach Hamilton, Coach Duane), Reginald F. Lewis High School (Principal Patterson), Baltimore City Recreation and Parks (Gardenville Recreation Center, Herring Run Recreation Center) YFL Cardinals, McKim Track Club (Garfield Thompson), Baltimore City Track Club, Dick's Sporting Goods, USATF Foundation, Baltimore Community Foundation, Chipotle, Jet Tees, Charm City Run, Road Runners Store, Chick Fil-A, Root Exposure Photography,

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## **SPONSORING BCWKTC**

Our sponsors and community play a vital role in providing optimum services for the youth we serve. In order to maintain manageable registration fees (\$450 includes Indoor, Spring Track and Summer Track) and have favorable participation from low-income families sponsors like you are of the utmost importance.

Sponsoring BCWKTC would assist in the following areas for our upcoming season.

- Host our annual East Baltimore Spring Open Track Meet
- AAU & USATF Association fees
- Team transportation and housing costs when competing nationally
- Purchase, upgrade or repair equipment
- Subsidize registration fees, provide resources for the youth, scholarships for running shoes, uniforms etc.
- Snacks and sports drinks for track meets
- Supplemental funding for coaches training, membership fees and travel
- Advertisements to increase participation
- Yearly Award Banquet
- Club administration/operating expenses, maintaining an official website, office supplies etc.



## **SPONSORSHIP TIERS**

### **PLATINUM SPONSORS = \$2500 +**

- **Business Logo on team tent and banner displayed at our track meets, largely held in Baltimore, Surrounding counties in Maryland, DC, Virginia and other states that host regional and national competition.**
- **Advertising post on social media pages once per week on day and time of choice.**
- **Business logo on the back on the team running uniform, worn during competition.**
- **Business logo on the team website homepage and premium location on the Sponsors page with hyperlink.**
- **Business name in the Spring Open Meet title and free vending space at the Meet**
- **Donor recognition at the Spring Open Track Meet and Annual Banquet.**
- **Appreciation Plaque for the year with donation total.**
- **White Knight Track and Field Hooded Sweatshirt.**
- **Tax deductible receipt for donation.**

### **GOLD SPONSORS = \$1000**

- **Business logo on the team website homepage and premium location on the Sponsors page with hyperlink.**
- **Advertising post on social media pages once per week on day and time of choice.**
- **Free vending space at the Spring Open Track Meet**
- **Donor recognition at the Spring Open Track Meet and Annual Banquet.**
- **Appreciation Plaque for the year with donation total**
- **White Knight Track and Field Hooded Sweatshirt.**



- Tax deductible receipt for donation.

### **SILVER SPONSORS = \$500**

- Business logo with hyperlink on the team website sponsor page.
- Advertising post on social media pages once per month on designated day and time of choice.
- Appreciation Plaque for the year with donation total
- White Knight Track and Field Hooded T-shirt.
- Tax deductible receipt for donation.

### **TEAM SPONSORS = \$250**

- Business logo with hyperlink on the team website sponsor page.
- White Knight Track and Field T-Shirt
- Tax deductible receipt for donation.





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### Payment Methods

- Make Checks payable to: White Knight Track Club, 2302 Cloville Ave. Baltimore, MD 21214.
- Pay Online via PayPal at [www.whiteknighttrack.com/www.whiteknighttrack.org](http://www.whiteknighttrack.com/www.whiteknighttrack.org)

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**Thank you for your Sponsorship and Support. GO WHITE KNIGHTS!!!**

