

HACKBAC 2025 PROGRAM

THIS CERTIFICATE IS PROUD PRESENTED TO GENIUS:

## JOSEPH PETERS 1st Place

Track: Education | Venture: DiscoverU

**Delonte Egwuatu** 

Director of HackBAC



To whom it may concern:

I am honored to share that Joseph Peters was recognized as the **2nd runner-up for Washington D.C.'s Student Visionaries Team Member of the Year**, finishing **3rd overall out of more than 400 students** who participated in the 2024 campaign. In addition to this distinction, Joseph personally raised over **\$50,000 to support the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS)** and their mission to cure blood cancers and improve the quality of life for patients and their families.

I had the pleasure of getting to know Joseph through LLS's Student Visionaries of the Year Campaign. They participated as a Team Member in our 2024 Washington D.C. campaign, a 7-week professional development program high school students, both locally and nationally, compete to raise funds and awareness for LLS's mission in honor of a local blood cancer survivor. Joseph was a remarkable participant, demonstrating exemplary teamwork through collaboration, problem-solving and critical thinking. He worked tirelessly for months attending meetings, organizing presentations, soliciting sponsorships, and asking for donations through personal asks, letters, and emails. All to help fund blood cancer research, education programs, and patient support services.

Joseph decided to join Student Visionaries of the Year to make an impact for blood cancer patients and their families through the campaign. He did not do this enormous task alone; he enlisted the help and generosity of friends, family, and their entire community. Joseph's individual success was matched by the impact of his team, which collectively raised over \$60,000. Together, the Washington D.C. Student Visionaries campaign raised nearly \$2 million in just seven weeks. Joseph's ability to rise to the top three out of hundreds of participants highlights his drive, resilience, and exceptional communication skills

Throughout my time working with Joseph, I was impressed with his ability to manage schoolwork, extracurricular activities, and successfully fundraising all at the same time, giving the best effort to all. Joseph is a self-starter and has numerous strengths to offer future colleges, universities, and employers. We are grateful for his commitment to helping others and are amazed by their passion for philanthropy.

Joseph's enthusiasm and dedication to LLS and his schoolwork is a clear indication of his vast capacity to contribute and excel in both academic and professional settings. If you should ever need any additional information, feel free to contact me at 914-496-1165 or by email at Sam.Roditti@LLS.org

Sincerely,

Sam Roditti

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