EV Alumni Are Proof of Impact!

With your support and a federal AmeriCorps VISTA grant, Elisabeth Harvey has been tracking down former EVkids and their EVcorps tutors as EV’s first Alumni Engagement Advocate. Leveraging today’s social media, she was excited, for example, to recently find former EVkid Nnamdi Nosike’s Facebook page featuring a prominent college graduation picture.

Reaching out to Nnamdi, she confirmed that he graduated last spring from UMass Dartmouth with a B.S. in Electrical Engineering and is now working as an electrical engineer for SEA CORP in Rhode Island! Congratulations, Nnamdi!!

Nnamdi has fond memories of his time with EV, both at Tutoring and at Camp. He appreciated his tutor’s guidance both academically and socially as he transitioned into high school. EV taught him that it was okay to ask questions and to not be ashamed to ask for help. Meanwhile, EV Camp was his first time being away from home in a new environment and trying new things, like sleeping in a tent. Hiking the highest peaks in the Green Mountains also reinforced the importance of perseverance to reach the top.

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Other Upcoming Alumni Events!

Washington, D.C.
Friday, April 29th, 5:30-8pm

New York City
Saturday, May 7th, 4-6pm

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Nnamdi graduating from UMass Dartmouth, 2015

Nnamdi does not hesitate to credit EV with giving him the skills to graduate high school and earn a college degree. After starting at Regis College in biology, he spent some time in community college getting his grades up and studying civil engineering. He transferred to Umass Dartmouth to play football and switched to electrical engineering. Although it did take him six years, Nnamdi persevered and cites his college degree as his greatest accomplishment thus far.

Elisabeth was also able to find Nnamdi’s EVcorps tutor of four years, Sam Harris (Harvard ’05), on LinkedIn (he is now a University of Chicago Ph.D candidate in Mesopotamian Archaeology). Both Nnamdi and Sam say they got along well with each other and had a lot in common despite coming from very different backgrounds. Sam gave Nnamdi a lot of insight when it came to the struggles of high school, while their relationship helped ground Sam amid all the stresses of college life. Both still reminisce fondly about their times together at EV Tutoring. And after 10 years, the two are now back in touch with each other thanks to Elisabeth! Nnamdi’s parting words to Elisabeth were the familiar EV mantra: “To the top!”
“One World, Many Stories”

EV’s 18th Annual Community Event gathered EVkids, their families, and their EVcorps tutors for a fun evening: potluck dinner, EVkid performances, and door prizes.

Thanks to you, our EVkids look forward to this event every year. They came in on Saturday mornings weeks in advance to prepare their skits, dances, and songs. Proud parents laughed and applauded as their children hammed up their roles in the EV play, a quest to find their stories, and cheered them on as they danced.

EVkids enjoying a delicious potluck dinner

Many thanks to EVfamilies for their homemade dishes!

“Referee” Lauren Ravello with EVkid Hector, and Francis Adams (BC ’16) in “WTC: World Tutoring Championships”

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