## **EVANSTON YOUTH CLUB**

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**2019 ANNUAL DINNER** 

May 10, 2019

Grit has been the theme for this year and was demonstrated at our Annual Dinner held on May 10th. Finalist for this years Youth of the Year spoke about the importance of grit in their lives and the support of the club as they have faced challenges. Dinner was prepared and served by the youth club members and their families. Then we were privileged to listen to our keynote speaker Doyle Trout. Trout is a wrestler for the University of Wyoming, he lost his left leg after a car accident when he was a senior in high school. He spoke about showing grit not only physically but emotionally. He said it required mental toughness to stop feeling sorry for himself, graduate, go to college, and start wrestling again. He encouraged the youth to "take experiences in life for what they are because there is always something to learn."

"The Club is my second home, a place where I have learned to treat everyone with respect and recognize that it's not possible to know each person's individual struggles." - Nayeli Gonzalez

"The club has helped me change my behavior and resist negative influences, including drinking alcohol and partying."

- Tanner Massey

"Going to the club has taught me about friendship and determination in the face of challenges. When I started going to the club, I was very insecure and shy, but the club had helped me develop confidence." - Araceli Motat



Club Members: Brandon, Aiden, and Caz















# Youth of the Year Jason Russell



"THE CLUB HAS HELPED ME THROUGH A LOT OF HARD TIMES, AND I'M GLAD I HAD SOMEWHERE TO TURN WHEN I WAS AT MY LOWEST. THE CLUB HELPS PEOPLE IN THEIR TIME OF NEED AND IS AN AMAZING PLACE TO GO NO MATTER WHAT POINT YOU'RE AT IN YOUR LIFE."

-JASON RUSSELL

Youth of the Year Finalist Nayeli Gonzalez -Best Interview

Tanner Massey -Best Public Speaker

> Araceli Motat -Best Essay

"When we engage in helping others change/save their lives, a Miracle takes place and we find the lives we change the most are our own".

-Kevin Kallas, Board of Directors President

### **PIT PROGRAM**

Professionals in Training, also known as PIT, aims to develop crucial 21st-century skills in teens. PIT offers a work-readiness curriculum where youth explore and learn in financial literacy, workforce development, ethics, and post-secondary education.

Youth participate in Virtual Job Shadowing, the leading premier career exploration, and career planning platform. This program empowers youth to discover, plan and pursue their dreams



with unique video-based job shadowing and assessments. Youth then select potential careers, explore the schooling and certification required for potential careers, and then are matched with local professionals to learn from. PIT can also help youth get an internship and/or job.

PIT motivates students to take control of their futures by planning for careers today. Our engaging program takes career explorations to a whole new level by connecting youth to the real world.







## **SUMMER CAMP**

Starts June 10 Mon-Fri 12:30 - 5:30

- -Transportation provided to and from the Club
- -\$100/month (\$300 all summer or \$250 if paid in full by June 10)
- -Snacks provided by EYC
- -Lunch provided @ EMS through UCSD#1 Summer Lunch Program
- -Activities include biking, hiking, water sports, camping trip, field trips, etc.

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