

**HC DrugFree is keeping Howard County  
In the KNOW!!!**

**Mourning the Loss of One of Our Own**

**Marc Ryan El-Sayed**, 17 of Clarksville passed away on February 25 following a car accident on Route 108.

Marc and his twin brother, Neil, have been **active members of HC DrugFree's Teen Advisory Council** for the past few years. Our hearts are breaking for both Marc and Neil, their family and their friends.

Marc was born in 2002 to Jocelyn Nazareno El-Sayed and Najib M. El-Sayed in Baltimore. He was a Senior at River Hill High School, eager to begin his university studies in a few months.

He was an avid student, curious and fascinated by all sorts of knowledge, particularly World History and Geography. He traveled the world seeking to explore different cultures and determined to make a lasting impact in underserved communities locally and globally.

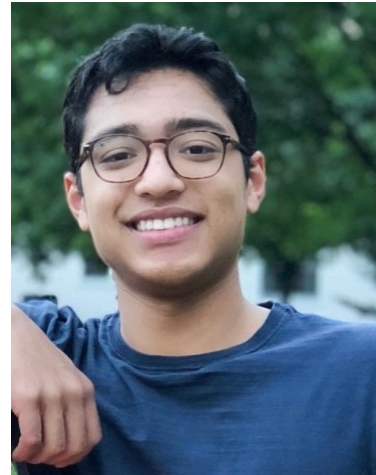
In addition to being a passionate volunteer, Marc stayed active and athletic, training at the gym regularly. He was fond of animals and was a food connoisseur. He enjoyed cooking with his family and was always eager to try out new recipes. Marc and his twin brother, Neil, took week-long trips to New York City twice a year during which they would dedicate the entire week to trying new restaurants around the city.

Marc's 17 years of life were full of happiness and he spread that joy everywhere. He was genuine, compassionate, fun-loving and made a lasting impact on any individual he encountered. We will all remember his warm smile, his magnificent spirit and his selfless nature.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his twin brother Neil, his sister Maya, and his very large extended family and all his wonderful friends.

Visitations will be on Friday, March 6 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Donaldson Funeral Home on Clarksville Pike where a funeral service will be held on Saturday, March 7 at 10:00.a.m. Interment to follow at Columbia Memorial Park.

Pictured below at an HC DrugFree TAC meeting: El-Sayed twins, Neil and Marc. Our hearts and prayers are with both brothers.





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## **Teen Advisory Council (TAC) Meeting**

All Howard County high school students: HC DrugFree's next TAC meeting will be held on Monday, March 16 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at The Barn (The Columbia Association's Teen Center) located in The Oakland Mills Village Center. Must RSVP to Admin@hcdrugfree.org for each meeting. TAC follows the HCPSS school cancellation policies. Visit the TAC page at <http://www.hcdrugfree.org/teen-advisory-council-1/> to find registration forms.

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## **HC DrugFree Is Proud to Partner with PTSAs/PTAs**

Thank you to the following PTSAs/PTAs for standing with us and donating to HC DrugFree this school year. If your PTSA/PTA is not on the list, please encourage them to join us as we work to keep Howard County youth and families informed and safe:

### **High Schools PTSAs:**

Atholton High School PTSA  
Centennial High School PTSA  
Hammond High School PTSA  
Howard High School PTSA  
Long Reach High School PTSA  
Marriotts Ridge High School PTSA  
Mt Hebron High School PTSA  
Oakland Mills High School PTSA  
River Hill High School PTSA  
Wilde Lake High School PTSA

### **Middle School PTAs/PTSAs:**

Bonnie Branch Middle School PTA  
Burleigh Manor Middle School PTA  
Clarkville Middle School PTA  
Dunloggin Middle School PTA  
Elkridge Landing Middle School PTA  
Folly Quarter Middle School PTA  
Glenwood Middle School PTSA  
Mayfield Woods Middle School PTA  
Murray Hill Middle School PTA  
Patuxent Valley Middle School PTA

Thank you!



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