



Tarrant County Youth Collaboration and LTS Education Present Gabe Salazar at the TEAM UP Mentoring Assembly

FORT WORTH, TEXAS – October 26, 2012 – The Tarrant County Youth Collaboration, in partnership with LTS Education Systems, will present nationally renowned youth motivational speaker, Gabe Salazar, during a mentoring assembly for the students and faculty at Baxter Junior High in Everman ISD on Tuesday, October 30, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. and 8:50 a.m.

The partnership of TCYC and LTS was established to aid Tarrant County students during the public school budgetary cuts. Collaboratively, TCYC and LTS have raised funds to provide the TEAM UP program, which focuses on fostering academic achievement, enrichment, remediation, character education, and leadership in some of the most underserved communities in Tarrant County.

The program now serves over 45,000 Tarrant County public school students with athlete mentoring, and with the *Kid's College* web-based learning tool, which provides students with the opportunity to answer Math, Reading, and Science questions in a fully adaptive platform. The system tracks each student's strengths and weaknesses and adjusts the content to accelerate or remediate the student accordingly, providing a customized and self-paced learning path that has proven highly effective in improving student skills and achievement.

To learn more about how the TEAM UP program was launched in Ft Worth, view the video at this link:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m_ocTli9_j4&feature=youtu.be

Educators and members of the community in the Dallas-Fort Worth area are invited to the Oct. 30 mentoring assembly to learn what organizations are doing to ensure that public school funding cuts do not affect educational opportunities for our children and youth.

"We are excited to have Gabe Salazar take a break in his *Taco Bell Graduate To Go Tour* to add a special mentoring session for our program participants," said Tacia Torres, Executive Director for TCYC.

About LTS Education Systems

LTS Education Systems publishes digital game-based learning platforms for Math, Reading, Science and Character Education. The LTS online curriculum is aligned to Common Core State Standards, and to Texas Essential and Knowledge Skills for students in Texas. The flagship *Kid's College* program has been a success in Texas and in schools across America, boosting state test scores in required Math, Literacy and Science skills.

Kid's College helps educators individualize learning and track accountability through automated data reports, while motivating students to spend more time on task practicing skills, using engaging sports video games and peer competitions. LTS also publishes *STAR Character*, *STAR Sportsmanship* and *UP* -- unique educational programs designed to curb behavioral issues, prevent bullying and cyberbullying, and build character and critical thinking skills.

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