



# ENVISION Alumni Association



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## Welcome

Welcome to the 5<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Envision Alumni Association newsletter, a publication of NYLF, NYLSC, NYLC, GYLC, ISLP and more! We love to hear from you. [Drop us a note](#) and let us know what you're up to.

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## Martin Luther King Jr.'s Spirit of Service Week

Here at HQ, we are spending our Spirit of Service week dedicating some time serving others. Employees have been planning and organizing a project to purchase, assemble and deliver 500 activity, birthday and snack kits to the Ronald McDonald House in Falls Church, Virginia. On January 8, we held a bake sale and raffle to raise money for the kits. Several staff members had serious fun buying cases of water, snacks, juice, crayons, Play-Doh and more. They also experienced some curious glances too! On January 23, we delivered the 500+ kits.



If you are interested in learning more about Martin Luther King Jr. and his role in the Civil Rights movement, be sure to take advantage of the [#SelmaForStudents](#) free ticket offer to view the movie "[Selma](#)" in 26 cities nationwide.

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## Envision is going to space!

OK – **we** are not going into space, but we'll be there behind-the-scenes with NASA on Thursday, January 29, for the scheduled launch of the first Earth-observing satellite to collect data on Earth's soil moisture. The mission, referred to as [SMAP](#), will launch the "Soil Moisture Active Passive" Observatory into space for three years to track water movement that will help scientists to better understand our weather patterns.

An Envision team member will be at Vandenberg Air Force Base with NASA starting Wednesday the 28th to bring you into the heart of the action. Be sure to follow our [blog](#), [Facebook feed](#) and [Tweets](#) for more information leading up to and about the launch.

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## Alumni Spotlight: Brandon G.

*“Attending both conferences helped give me the life skills and the leadership skills I needed to take a stand and put a group together, work with them and lead them to help make a difference in our community.”*

[Read more](#) of Brandon’s two program experiences and how he took his leadership to a presidential level.

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## On The Blog

### College & Career Counseling Goes Virtual

Questions surrounding your college decision? Great News! Over the past few years, new web and mobile apps have emerged to provide students (and parents) with greater insight into college and career planning. [Read on](#) to learn how they can help you in your big decision!

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## Join us in Silicon Valley

If you are enrolled in to attend [NYLF Engineering & Technology](#) in San Francisco this summer, think about extending your experience six additional days to attend [NYLF Technology & Innovation – Decoding the Future](#). Discover your aptitude for coding or game design while learning more about artificial intelligence, drone technology and 3-D design.

You can attend either program independently as well!

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## Practical Matters

### College Credits & Transcripts

Many Envision programs partner with a university or college to offer you the opportunity to apply for college credit upon successfully completing the program. If you opted to receive college credit for your Envision program and need your transcript, please see details below regarding how to receive it from the appropriate institution.

#### [Loras College](#)

Programs receiving credit from Loras College include *NYLF Engineering & Technology*, *NYLF Business & Innovation* and *NYLF Digital Media, Film & Journalism*. College credit is issued on a

pass/fail basis. Access to official Loras College transcripts must be requested through Loras College. To request an academic transcript, visit [Loras College's website](#).

### ***George Mason University***

College credit on most remaining programs is issued by George Mason University on a pass/fail basis. Acceptance of this credit by your current or prospective college or university is dependent upon the policy and discretion of the institution. Access to official George Mason University transcripts must be requested through George Mason University. For more information, visit [George Mason University's website](#).

### **Program-specific Passwords**

Your alumni password is located in your program journal. Forgotten your password? No problem. Just give our Office of Admissions a call at (703) 584-9513, or toll-free at (877) 587-9659. We are here to assist you, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday.

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