

FRANKLIN TOWNE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

CRIME PREVENTION SYMPOSIUM

A TOWNE CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROJECT

January 17, 2024



This event, in collaboration with the Towne Criminal Justice Department showcases students' research of crime trends that are unique to Philadelphia, the many grants that have been established to reduce crime through such programs, their overall effectiveness, and ultimately our students' own initiatives that could rival or surpass those already in practice .

This symposium holds great significance to our community because we recently lost Isaiah Pagan, an instrumental member of the Class of 2022, on December 20 in a shooting near Oxford Circle in Frankford. Isaiah was a beloved member of our baseball team, admired by both his peers and the staff for his personality and sense of humor.

January 17 also marks Benjamin Franklin's birthday, our school patron who understood the need for reform of the criminal justice system. With other Philadelphians, he helped create the Philadelphia Society for Alleviating the Miseries of Public Prisons (now the Pennsylvania Prison Society), the oldest organization in the country dedicated to sensible and humane criminal justice.

2023-2024 Crime Prevention Symposium Panel

1. Senator Christine Tartaglione (PA – 2nd)
2. Councilmember At-Large Nicolas O'Rourke
3. Councilmember Mike Driscoll (6th District)
4. Lauren Zalut, Director of Education Eastern State Penitentiary
5. Bill Salvatore, Deputy Commissioner Philadelphia Parks & Rec
6. Jamie Miller, Philadelphia Parks & Rec district 6 manager.
7. John Kirchenbauer, Philadelphia Rec Leader Feltonville Rec. center
8. Tamika Shannon, Philadelphia Parks & Rec Feltonville Rec. center
9. Robert Lafayette, Philadelphia Parks & Rec Outreach Worker.
10. Dr. Patricia Griffin, Associate Professor Criminal Justice – Holy Family University and Senior International Research Consultant – United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
11. Dr. Brian Wyant, Professor and Chair of the Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice – La Salle University
12. Kerry Wagner Woodward, Executive Director Philadelphia Financial Scholars
13. Nicole Mahia, Community Engagement and Advocacy Manager Anti-Violence Partnership of Philadelphia
14. Diamond Walker, Youth Therapist & Youth Violence Outreach Program Coordinator Anti-Violence Partnership of Philadelphia
15. Seven Officers from the Philadelphia Police Department 15th District including Sgt. Eugene Crozier and Officer Ian Nance

Franklin Towne Charter High School and our criminal justice student presenters are extremely grateful for your participation in this unique experience. We hope that you are able gain an understanding of the perspectives in our young adults and how they envision crime prevention in their communities.

About our Criminal Justice Course Offering:

In this course students will learn about the U.S. criminal justice system from arrest through the trial process. Students will learn about both civil and criminal law and examine many different career opportunities that exist in the field of criminal justice. Topics include the historical evolution of law, careers in criminal justice, crime in America, criminal investigations, the U.S. prison system, and much more.

-Michael Murphy, Criminal Justice Teacher – Social Studies Department



Crime Prevention Symposium Presentations

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization Name</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Vanessa Casiano	<u>Next Step Program</u>	
Victoria Guerrero & Mia Ortiz	<u>Hope and Prosperity</u>	
Meiara Staton	<u>Basketballs Over Bullets</u>	
Emely Rosa & Yunick Pierre	<u>New Beginnings</u>	

Jaimie Schaffer	<u>Careers 4 Kids</u>	
Jazmyne Moseley & Charlei Torrence	<u>Eyes For The Youth</u>	
Antoinette Nash	<u>A Chance at Life (ACAL)</u>	
Maximilian Payne	<u>Defeat the Streets</u>	
Miranda Cardonick & DeloraAnn Walton	<u>Post Prison Preperation</u>	
Maya Moore & Ramik Smith	<u>KDC (Kids Development Camp)</u>	