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There's a compounding and leveraging effect when you give to 10,000 Degrees. Once you help young people get to

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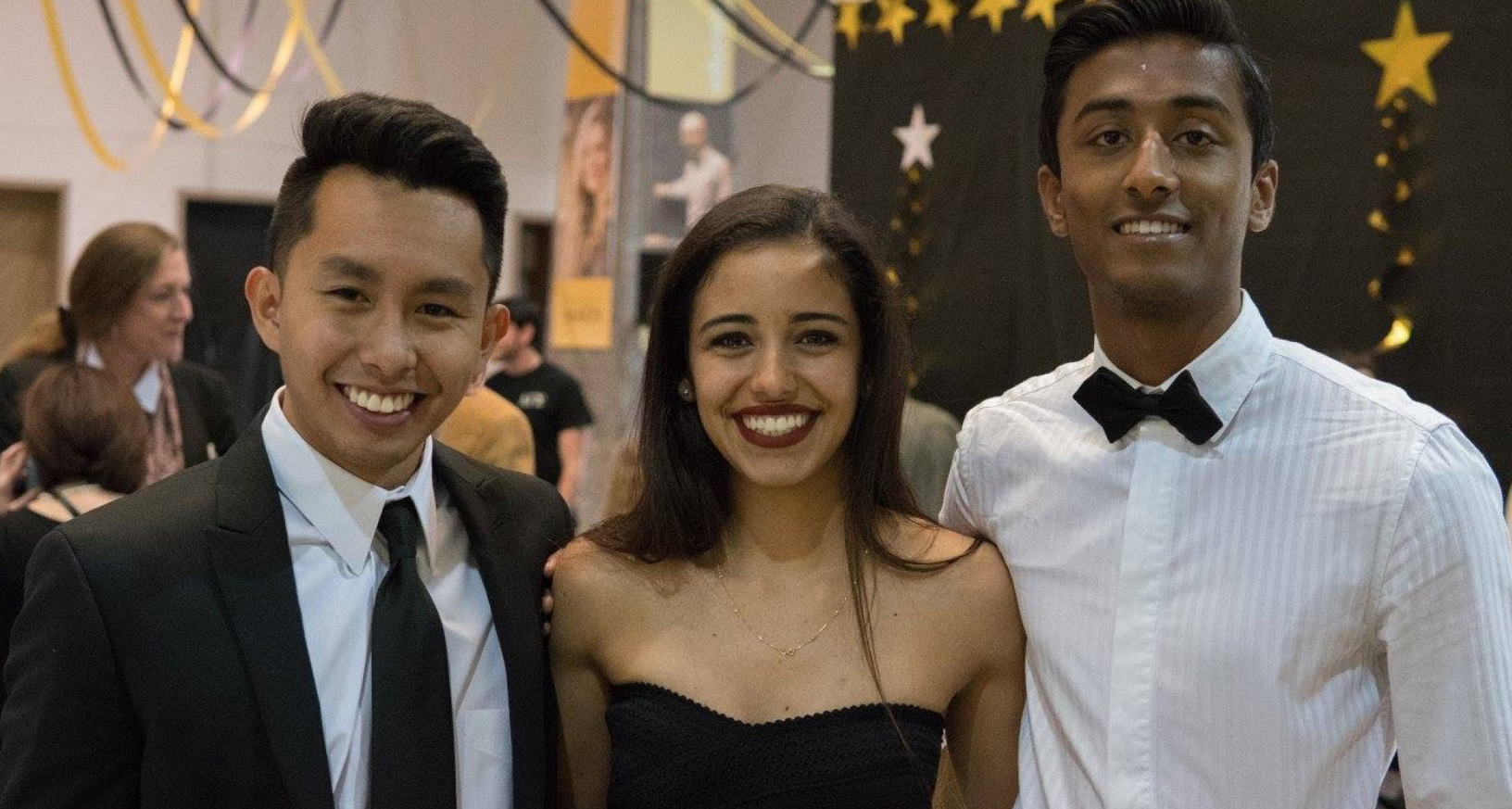
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## MARK ZERRUDO

I came into the college experience not really knowing what I wanted to get out of it. In high school and middle school, my parents always told me, “You’re going to college.” But didn’t know how I would get there.

For my parents, having me go to college was financially motivated since they were first-generation immigrants from the Philippines. They wanted me to do better than them so I could support them. However, once I got into college, I realized there was also an opportunity to impact future generations. I saw it as a way to uplift a community that might not be as readily resourced.

As a very reluctant 10,000 Degrees student applicant, I always tell students to apply. “Hey, you should schedule a meeting with me.” I let them know there’s financial support with scholarships, but there is also a very meaningful connection they can have with the Fellows that make the college journey clearer to navigate.

Seeing that 10,000 Degrees students usually downplay their financial needs and they often experience imposter syndrome, as a 10,000 Degrees Fellow, I want to consistently reassure them that they 100% deserve the spots they have.

As an alumnus of 10,000 Degrees, I came back to work for 10,000 Degrees because of the connections I made in community college. As part of the next generation of fellows, I can go back to College of Marin and step in as a mentor, and serve the community that helped me.



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## WILL HAYES

I grew up in West Contra Costa and benefited from a program called INROADS, which is a specialized program working with lower-income Black, Brown, Latino students across the US. They kicked off my professional journey. I got my first internship at Genentech, which got me a job, which led to my experience in technology and who I get to be today.

With my company, Lucidworks, I was presented with the opportunity to sponsor a similar program called Meritus and hire their scholars as full-time interns. It felt great to be able to give back to an org similar to one that had been so important to me.

When Meritus merged with 10,000 Degrees, I quickly felt that 10,000 Degrees was the best place to help give kids like me access to more opportunities.

**The 10,000 Degrees model of how they engage the student community is incredibly organic to creating success.**

When you have that level of connection, you're inspiring that person to go back into their community and demonstrate a level of success.

Contra Costa is ready for this type of engagement. Behind the challenges, there is a very culturally rich community in Contra Costa; there is motivation and ingenuity. It's a perfect recipe for the impact 10,000 Degrees can make. With 10,000 Degrees, you're not just going to affect one student, it goes back to the whole community.

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As children of immigrant parents, education was a value that was instilled in us from a very young age.

We both have seen the transformative power of education firsthand. It can launch your career, provide financial stability, and instill confidence in tackling all the issues you face in life. We've always prioritized learning, and when I [Derek] was talking to Graham Brandt, my friend and colleague, about looking to volunteer with an education-related nonprofit, it was obvious 10,000 Degrees' mission was congruent with our own values.

We both decided to join the 10,000 Degrees Advisory Board as a way to give back together.

We are inspired by the reach of 10,000 Degrees, and the breadth of students who benefit from the programming. As you delve deeper and learn about how 10,000 Degrees empowers and elevates students from low-income backgrounds, you can't help but fall in love with 10,000 Degrees and want to get involved in supporting the mission.

We believe there is an immense value in a broad and diverse education, and this is something we are trying to teach our own children. Learning is a joy, and we hope you find fulfillment in your lifelong educational journey.

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*10,000 Degrees Alumni at 2022 Alumni Changemakers Celebration.*



On May 7, 2022 we celebrated our One Amazing Community both in-person at the Bill and Adele Jonas Center in Novato, and virtually in five satellite locations in San Francisco, the South Bay, Napa, and Marin. More than 250 of you came to show our students that you believe in their unlimited potential, and the power of ONE DEGREE to change lives and communities.

**Because of YOU, we raised \$1.1 million for our students and programs! Every dollar raised helps more students fulfill their dreams of getting to and through college.**

The evening held so many highlights - from the heartfelt keynote by alumna, Celina Del Toro Moreno, to the uplifting remarks by ONE DEGREE of Change honoree, Lisa Wittke Schaffner, to the lively auctioneering from California Senator Mike McGuire, to the energetic performances by artist and alumna, Kaila Love, and by students from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music.

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When I moved to the US from Punjab, India, I was 15 and a half years old and barely able to speak English. Not being able to speak the language was a big barrier to me and my family. My parents always told me to get educated. They didn't get an education, so they wanted us to be educated.

I'm the first one in my family to go to and graduate from college. Education is a foundation and an experience you can always cherish. You build relationships throughout your educational journey. College is not guaranteed that you will have success, but it's a key check mark.

**With 10,000 Degrees, I love how much engagement we provide through the Fellows, as well as putting a focus on career success.** The staff are able to help students go to and finish college. That really exposes the students to be able to do more and have more opportunities. We have to continue to build a quality workforce, and that starts with a college education.

I was blessed enough to have a clear goal of going into business and was a business major in college. Now, as a business owner, my wife and I are always trying to find ways to engage in the community and how to give back.

I'm excited about being the Chair of the Sonoma Advisory Board. I want to continue to be a champion to spread the word, have more people support 10,000 Degrees and for more students to get involved. We're doing extremely important work and I truly believe in the 10,000 Degrees mission.



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15+ years <sup>oo</sup>  
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*10,000 Degrees Staff & Fellows at 2022 Program Palooza*





*Eli Weinzveg (back) with his parents, Reuben Weinzveg & Padi Selwyn, and his children.*

## ELI WEINZVEG

Going to college was an expectation in my household and not optional. I was not a focused student in high school and barely got into Sac State. I cared about helping people and thought, "Maybe I could be a teacher?" I was lucky growing up, and being able to be a positive role model in the lives of young people was really important to me.

After 12 years in secondary education, I needed to make a change. 10,000 Degrees mission and vision aligned with my values and my hopes to continue to work in education without directly being a teacher or administrator. And I haven't looked back... Every student we work with, every family, I know we are changing their lives.

Education is the only thing in your life that can't be taken away from you. Your home can burn down, you can lose everything. But with education, you can do anything you want regardless of where you started in life.

Education is the key to a happier and more successful life. I feel I've honored my family in prioritizing education in my life and it's a value my wife and I have also instilled in our children. Education provided me with the opportunity to pay-it-forward in the biggest way possible.

There's no higher calling than helping someone achieve their dreams. It can't be done without our donors and grantors. I'm very grateful and appreciative of those who have also recognized the value of this work and are investing in it. Thank you to everyone who's involved in 10,000 Degrees, from donors to the staff and volunteers!

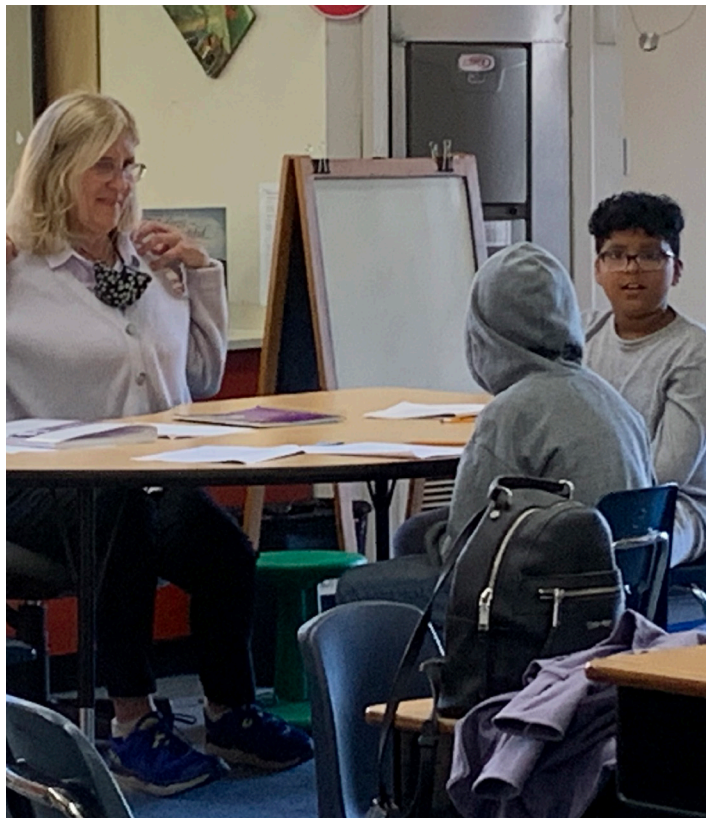


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Nicollette & Eli Weinzveg





*Academic Success Volunteer Iris Saligman with students*



*Academic Success Volunteer, Lynn West, with student*



*Academic Success Volunteer Joanne Spotswood working with students*



## 10,000 DEGREES ACADEMIC SUCCESS VOLUNTEERS

### Thank you for being **ONE DEGREE** of change!

10,000 Degrees Academic Success matches volunteer tutors with students from low-income backgrounds in Marin County public schools.

10,000 Degrees Academic Success is rebuilding now that COVID-19 restrictions have eased. Our Academic Success team has 130+ volunteers providing over 4,000 hours of tutoring in 25 Marin County Schools. Volunteers support students in kindergarten through 12th grade one-on-one, in small groups and through differentiated instruction across the classroom. They also provide valued support at other 10,000 Degrees program events such as Money Matters workshops and college essay writing sessions.

We are grateful to our supportive partnering schools. Thank you for all you do to help us bring the 10,000 Degrees Academic Success program to Marin County students!

A huge thank you to the Academic Success volunteers who devoted their time to 10,000 Degrees students during the 2021-2022 school year!

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## 10,000 DEGREES ACADEMIC SUCCESS PARTNERING SCHOOLS FOR THE 2021 - 22 SCHOOL YEAR

Thank you for your commitment to our students!

### **Partner School in Bolinas-Stinson Union School District**

Bolinas-Stinson Elementary

### **Partner School in Mill Valley Elementary School District**

Mill Valley Middle

### **Partner Schools in Novato Unified School District**

Hamilton Meadow Park

Loma Verde Elementary

Lu Sutton Elementary

Lynwood Elementary

Novato High

Olive Elementary

San Jose Intermediate

San Marin High

### **Partner Schools in San Rafael City Elementary**

Bahia Vista Elementary

Coleman Elementary

James B. Davidson Middle

Laurel Dell Elementary

San Pedro Elementary

Venetia Valley K-8

### **Partner Schools in San Rafael City High**

San Rafael High

Terra Linda High

### **Partner School in Sausalito-Marin City School District**

Bayside Martin Luther King Jr. Academy

### **Partner Schools in Shoreline Unified School District**

Bodega Bay Elementary

Inverness Elementary

Tomales Elementary

Tomales High

West Marin Elementary

### **Partner School in Tamalpais Union School District**

Tamalpais High

*We sincerely apologize for any omissions or errors.*

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Welcoming students on the first day of school at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Academy: Academic Success Volunteer Chris Hurwitz, Academic Success Coordinator Debra Fletcher and 10,000 Degrees Fellow Lea Mixon



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