



June 2024

CEO Update

Celebrating 20 Years of 100% College Enrollment

Another incredible year at BLCI! This weekend we hosted our 20th BLCI graduation ceremony and **celebrated all 79 of our Senior's acceptance to college.** A special part of the ceremony includes inviting back BLCI alumni who have earned their college degrees. This was another record-breaking year with 14 alumni receiving their Bachelors, 2 alumni receiving their Master's, and our first BLCI Alum to receive their doctorate. What an inspiring day, especially for our 5th and 8th graders in attendance who were celebrating their own promotions and envisioning their future as BLCI graduates.



Our students were awarded **over \$225,000 in private scholarships** and that includes four scholarships funded entirely through the personal fundraising efforts of BLCI parents.

Once our families learn that going to college can be possible, many build a path of their own to complete their educational goals. This year we had one parent walk across the stage in recognition of earning her AA and her acceptance to San Diego State University this fall.

This year marks the final year of San Diego Promise Neighborhood Grant and the closing of our partnership program with SBCS at San Diego High. This program alone graduated 22 students and we are so proud of their success. Each year our students seem to outdo themselves and this year was no exception

As we proudly say goodbye to our rising college freshmen, we make room for the next group of seniors and the Class of 2025. Education cuts have been severe this past year and combined with the end of temporary COVID relief funding, our students will need your

support more than ever. Our programs continue to report 100% college enrollment and success, and I hope you will consider **making a donation on behalf of the incoming Class of 2025**. It is imperative that we continue to have the resources to support our students this final, important year in their educational career.

I encourage you to [donate today](#) or become a member of our newly established [Honor Roll](#) and help make an impact through education.

Thank you,

Sara Boquin

Sara Boquin, BLCI CEO

BLCI Honor Roll - Join Today and Pledge Your Support for the Class of 2025

To date, 100% of students who participate in BLCI's College and Career Readiness Program graduate high school and pursue secondary education. This is well beyond last year's reported 64% of youth in San Diego who enrolled in college within six months of graduation. When you add your name to the [Honor Roll](#), you help fund critical intervention to ensure that underserved and underrepresented youth have the tools and resources they need to be successful in school and beyond.

Recognizing supporters who contribute \$1,000 or more each year, this special group of advocates helps ensure equal access to education and breaks the cycle of poverty by preparing underserved students to be the first in their families to attend – and graduate – college. Membership can be secured with a one-time donation, or through a 12-month pledge.

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