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#### The Graduates

The BOSS Class of 2022 includes 13 scholars, all of whom have been with us since middle school consistent with the year-round and multi-year component of BOSS™.

Our 2022 class is led by Emilio Farrell (Stanford), Ian Harrison (UCLA) and Jaylin Franklin (Cornell) and includes Daniel Brown (UC Merced), Mo Hunter (San Diego State), Shakar Reid, CSULB, RJ Jenkins (4.2gpa/another year of baseball at a community college) and Makaih Williams (3.8 gpa/another year of basketball at a prep school) twins Austin & Christian King (Baker University), Jordan Simmons (Norco Community College), Nykolas Ennols (Whittier College) and Tavion Spurling and Manolo Montoya (LBCC).

lan, Emilio and Jaylin all joined BOSS as middle-schoolers at Newcomb Academy in Long Beach. Makaih joined BOSS as a middle-schooler at Hoover Middle School; Tavion as a middle schooler at Tincher Preparatory School; RJ as a Poly freshman; Mo as a middle schooler at Hughes Middle School; and Daniel Brown (brother Elijah is a rising college junior also with BOSS since middle school) since middle school at KIPP Academy; and the King twins since their freshman year at St John Bosco.

#### **YESTERDAY**



















# CONGRATULATIONS 2022 BOSS GRADUATES!

























#### 7th Annual BOSS Camp



We'll welcome 50 newcomers/1<sup>st</sup> year boys to Long Beach State for our 7<sup>th</sup> Annual BOSS Camp. The 2-week experience provides the opportunity to spend quality time with our newcomers while fortifying them academically and emotionally for the new school year. Campers come away more informed on the benefits and requirements of BOSS™, and we gather info that helps us develop equitable strategies to move each boy them from wherever they are to great!

Highlights of our 2022 camp will include daily coding instruction (AI, Minecraft, arcade games, space explorer) courtesy of Microsoft, a Harbor tour courtesy of the Port of Long Beach, an Entrepreneur Bootcamp for our high schoolers, and Content Creation work for our middle schoolers capped by the 4<sup>th</sup> basketball clinic hosted by the Lakers Youth Foundation traveling team.

# We would like to thank our 7th Annual BOSS Camp Sponsors!



MUNZERFOUNDATION

# Munzer Foundation Donates \$100,000

We were introduced to the Munzer Foundation by Elizabeth Middagh, granddaughter of Rudolph J. and Daphne A. Munzer as a result of a chance meeting between ESPN's Shelley Smith and BOSS team member Charle' Moore in 2018. Charle' was a graduate student at the Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism and Shelly was a guest lecturer. Charle' and Shelley connected afterwards and Charle' was introduced to Liz who had joined Shelly for the guest presentation. Turns our Liz had a \$5,000 discretionary allotment in search of a local





Fast forward to 2022, and the Munzer Foundation remains a loyal supporter of BOSS™. The foundation took its support of BOSS to the next level this year, providing us with our first 6 figure grant! We'll use the grant to support the development of a so-called "8 to 80" (Steve Young/Jerry Rice) Legends Zone, outfitted with top-of-the-line gaming rigs, consoles, broadcasting equipment, all peripheral equipment and streaming gear to deliver mass-media, audio engineering and sound mixing programming for our boys to train on and gain skills to pursue careers in tech, Esports, gaming and media.

#### **Career Exposure & Networking**

As part of our ongoing relationship with The Alliance, the partnership of all Southern CA pro sport franchises (Angels, Dodgers, Lakers, Clippers, Rams, Chargers, Ducks, Kings, LAFC, Galaxy, Sparks), a group of BOSS scholars were treated to a career exposure event at the Dignity Health Sports Complex, the home of the renowned LA Galaxy.





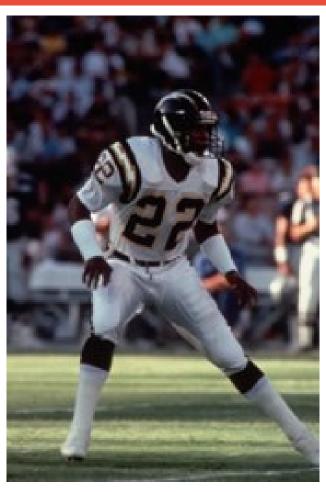




Gill Byrd

#### **BOSS Talk Episodes**

BOSS Talk episodes featured Rams' safety David Long, former Purdue wide receiver turned Microsoft executive and BOSS Advisory Board member Jameson Evans, and Chargers' Hall of Fame cornerback turned Bears, Bills, Bucs, Packers coach and BOSS Advisory Board



member Gill Byrd.



Gill Byrd wowed our boys with his "Anatomy of a Snap" presentation, considering what goes on between the time of the huddle, play and huddling up again as a way emphasis the various BOSS pillars and success principles. Icing on the cake was the Hall of Fame speech by Aeneas Williams crediting Gill and his lovely wife Marilyn with making him a better player, husband and father.

Jameson shared his journey from Cleveland to Purdue to Youngstown State to graduate school and currently to Intel, where he owned all financial aspects of driving \$1 billion per year in revenue across sales, engineering and business operations, to his current position as Business & Sales Strategy Manager at Microsoft.

David shared his journey from Southern CA to the University of Michigan and back to Southern CA as a member of the Rams, as well as the strategies he employed, aligned with our BOSS pillars and success principles, to overcome the challenges and obstacles in his pathway to achieving his goal of playing in the NFL.

# Everett Glenn Receives Rainbow PUSH COALITION TRAILBLAZER AWARD



#### **Word from Our Leader**

I was touched by a prayer someone shared in the "Reels" section of Facebook. It was the prayer of a man as a father and grandfather. Since I am also both, allow me to paraphrase:

I pray as a father and grandfather for our boys. May they reach the purpose for which they were created. May they have courage above their peers. May they dream more than others think is practical. May they expect more than others think is possible. May they choose wisely, without bias. You have people to influence who are not yet known and lives to change that are awaiting your arrival.

The prayer encapsulates our worldly mission, which is to fortify our boys and their academic coaches/mentors. We all need a Paul (mentor), a Barnabas (best friend on same level), and Timothy (someone you're teaching) and our "train the trainer" approach to BOSS is creating a win-win for our boys, their academic coaches/mentors and the community at large.

We couldn't make the difference we're making without the help of our loyal supporters, and for that we say "thanks" without ceasing.



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