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To Whom It May Concern:

The *One Vision One Voice* program's PowerUp! Youth Symposium will take place in person on **March 6, 2023**. Programming for the event runs from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. PowerUp! is an inspiring and uplifting experience for Black-identifying youth participants with connections to Black history, culture, and activism. This event is interactive, informative, and educational and will support the development of leadership skills, critical thinking, and community collaboration. Last year, over 250 young people from across the province attended the event virtually.

This full-day event will feature appearances from young leaders, OACAS senior leaders, community leaders, elders, social workers, and African-Canadian artists. As this event is during school hours, some youth may need excused school time to attend. We also suggest youth that participates in the PowerUp! event receive credit for 8 hours of community involvement and work towards their requirement to graduate high school, if applicable.

If you have any questions about the PowerUp! Youth Symposium, or the *One Vision One Voice* program, I invite you to visit our website at www.oacas.org/onevisiononevoice, or please feel free to contact me via email at kfacey@oacas.org.

With many thanks,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Keishia Facey".

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