## RITE NOW (C) ROP



Rite of Passage programs are founded on the mission of improving the lives of youth, families and communities. Each program, regardless of location, embodies this same purpose and works to give youth the tools necessary to succeed. Youth are encouraged to follow their dreams, which includes setting positive goals and developing a plan to accomplish them, which is what led Sycamore Canyon Academy student, Boston, to graduate high school—an accomplishment he once thought impossible.

Boston came to Sycamore Canyon Academy like many other students do—a bit misguided and in need of some direction towards positive goals. After receiving words of encouragement, ongoing mentoring and reinforcement of program expectations, Boston established the goal of earning his high school diploma and set out to achieve it. Boston dedicated his full attention to meeting this goal, spending his weekends and free time studying and learning new material. He was able to complete 18 classes within his 4-month stay at Sycamore Canyon Academy and graduated in June with a 3.1 GPA.

In the classroom, educators and tutors commended Boston for his dedication and work ethic, as well as his commitment to helping his peers reach their academic goals. Boston's devotion to reaching his goal positively impacted everyone he encountered, and motivated other students to work hard and, ultimately, to succeed.