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Wiz Khalifa Returns Home to Give Back to Alma Mater Pittsburgh Allderdice High School and District Students

Donates 1,700 Bookbags to District Middle and High School Students

PITTSBURGH September 15, 2015 – In 2006, Cameron Thomaz graduated from Taylor Allderdice High School in Pittsburgh, PA. Though he has risen to the top of the hip hop industry as Wiz Khalifa, he has not forgotten his roots. Today, September 15th, Wiz surprised his alma mater, along with students who attend Pittsburgh Sterrett 6-8 and Pittsburgh Obama 6-12, by delivering the message that working hard will help you to achieve great things.

“I’m really happy to give back to the kids in my city. It’s really important to support Pittsburgh as much as they support me,” said Wiz Khalifa.

In addition to his visit, Wiz donated 1,700 book bags to be divided amongst the 30 District schools that serve middle and secondary students. Each school will receive 10% of their student population in bookbags to be distributed to students in need. Wiz teamed up with American Eagle Outfitters to provide the back packs.

“We are honored to be partnering with Wiz to make a positive impact in the lives of these students and to help them get the school supplies they need to be successful in the classroom,” said Chad Kessler, American Eagle Outfitters global brand president.

In response to the donation and visit, Pittsburgh Allderdice Principal Melissa Friez stated, “We are proud to welcome Wiz back to Allderdice. He is an accomplished artist who is known worldwide, but he has not forgotten his hometown of Pittsburgh. His donation will be used to help students across the District understand the value of being prepared for school and his commitment to their success.”

Pittsburgh Public Schools Superintendent Linda Lane added, “We are so appreciative of our generous alum who take the time to think of the students who come behind them and their well-being.”

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