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***Mission: To introduce and expose young men between the ages of 9-18 within the Bay Area to programs that foster positive lifestyles choices as they become independent adults.***

The Options Academy, Inc. (OAI), a pending 501(c)3 non-profit organization, is excited to announce its new program to offer guidance to young men who exhibit the ability to succeed in life with the assistance of resources and support. Headquartered in Oakland, CA, OAI was conceived and founded by Charles M. Lovelace in 2007 with a commitment to youth/young men in aiding them to independence using a holistic approach to address body, soul, spirit & mind.

The Academy will begin its first four month program from young men between the ages of 9-18 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 3:30 – 7 pm at the Family Resource House of Unity located in Oakland at 7200 Bancroft Blvd., Suite 230 starting May 19, 2009.

Programs and topics to be offered to the young men through the Academy's community initiative include:

- Financial Literacy
- Manhood
- Respect For Females and Women
- Education
- The Essence of Man
- Life Skills
- Grooming
- Theater
- Entrepreneurship
- Prison Awareness
- Self Defense
- Fire Arm Awareness/Safety
- Character Building
- Travel- The World Is Your Option
- Nutrition
- Leaving A Legacy

The program will also include educational outings that will help the young men understand the positive and negative consequences of their actions.

All young men are invited to register for the upcoming four month program. The registration cost is \$195 and includes a special session book and program t-shirt and hat.

For more information or to register, please call Charles M. Lovelace at 510.655.8611.

You may also visit [www.optionsacademyinc.com](http://www.optionsacademyinc.com) or email us at [info@optionsacademyinc.com](mailto:info@optionsacademyinc.com). Opportunities to sponsor a student are also available.

**Our youth is our future, therefore invest in their lives today!**



THE CHOICES WE MAKE DETERMINE THE QUALITY OF LIFE WE LIVE