

**Y.E.S.! Youth Education Summit: Say YES to YOUth
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On Saturday, December 15th, 2018, we are putting the voices of student leaders on the forefront at our Youth Education Summit (Y.E.S!). An experience that champions youth voices leading the reformation of the education system upon the tenants of voice, representation, and action. Stand with us on Saturday at Bank Street College of Education, 610 West 112th Street from 10:30AM – 4PM for a day of youth-led community building, workshops, art, and performances about imagining the possibilities of a just education!

For more information and to register for the Youth Education Summit, visit <http://bit.ly/YEStoYOUth2018>.

We are student leaders putting our voices into practice. We invite youth and their allies in community and education to join us telling and gathering stories about our experiences in education, stretching our minds to learn new ways of learning, and creating a youth-led vision for education.

Our legitimacy is not determined by our age but rather the courage to speak out against injustice and to advocate for what is right.

Education is referred to as the “passport to success,” but the current status of schools in New York City deem otherwise; with borders that inhibit the expression of identities and a climate that still fosters criminalization, discrimination, and under-representation.

An education system made for students, and our perspective on a space designed specifically for us is unparalleled and unrivaled. Our vision for the ideal education system is what needs to become reality in order to do right by the 1.1 million students within the New York City Department of Education.

Say Y.E.S. to an equitable education system
Say Y.E.S. to diverse identities being represented
Say Y.E.S. to YOUth

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