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Community ONE Goes Back to School:
Organization Kicks Off the School Year with a Star v. Students Soccer Match!

ARLINGTON, VA, August 11, 2014-- The 2014-2015 school year is just around the corner, and Community ONE, Inc. is rounding out the summer vacation with the Star v. Students Soccer Match!

Community ONE is partnering with one of its *Stars*, George Gonzalez, to have a soccer 'fun-day' with a group of high-school students from the [Buckingham Youth Brigade](#) of Arlington on Wednesday, August 13, 2014. Gonzalez, who works in Press Communications for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, has spoken to the teens about his career earlier this year. The students will have a chance to engage with him, as well as five other volunteers from various professions. The game will provide a more relaxed setting outside of the traditional programming, and an opportunity to ask more questions, and even learn a little about networking.

Community ONE encourages children to reach for the stars by exposing them to interesting careers not typically seen in their neighborhoods. The organization hosts events, either after school or during the school day, at which a *Star* (a professional in any given field) comes to speak and interact with the children. Volunteers work with various age groups, ranging from elementary-age to high school students.

During the session, the speaker gives the participants an idea of a typical day at the job and the journey to their current role. At the end, everyone participates in a hands-on activity to get a sense of 'a day in the life' of the *Star*.

Founder Jason Wallace is very excited about the upcoming events this year. "We've inspired so many children, and there's nothing like seeing that spark of inspiration when a child realizes that someone just like them can do amazing things... I look forward to sparking many young minds next semester and in the coming years."

Community ONE is confident that in the coming months the speaker series will inspire, challenge, and impact the students in more ways than one. For more information, please visit www.communityone.org.

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