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'Stomp the Yard' comes to life at Miami Dade College North

Event exposes high school seniors to urban arts, campus life on Friday

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Miami Norland Senior High's Dynasty Step Team.jpg: Miami Norland Senior High's Dynasty Step Team compete in the Young Talent Big Dreams competition. Seniors from Norland and other MDC North Campus feeder high schools will be showcased at MDC's "Stomp the Yard" event Friday, Jan. 20.

The 2007 movie, "Stomp the Yard," highlighted stepping competitions at a college campus, bringing the dance style to the masses.

Now the urban artistic movement of stepping and dancing will come to life at Miami Dade College's North Campus during its inaugural Stomp the Yard event at 10 a.m., Friday, Jan. 20, at the Lehman Theater, 11380 NW 27th Ave.

The event will showcase MDC's North Campus feeder high schools, including the North Miami Beach Drumline and Drill Team; Miami Norland Senior High's Dynasty Step Team; the Alonzo and Tracy Mourning Dance Team; William H. Turner Technical Arts High School's Voices of Expression; and the MDC North Campus's own Alpha Dance Team.

Local high school seniors will view a series of cultural performances while also getting a taste of college life in the process.

MDC North Campus President Dr. Malou C. Harrison said Stomp the Yard exemplifies the college's commitment to Miami's urban students by keeping with a long and rich tradition in African-based communities that use movement, words and sounds for ethnic and artistic expression.

"This event provides our students with a taste of campus life that will enrich their cultural exposure while obtaining assistance with college-related matriculation matters that will steer them well on their way to educational and academic success in college," Harrison said.

High school seniors will gain exposure to MDC where students can solidify their plans after graduation. Students will participate in an academic resource festival following the performances.

In addition, students will have an opportunity to win one of two scholarships that can be applied towards tuition and fees to support prospective students in their endeavors to attend college.

To participate in the event or for more information, call Shantelle Maxwell at 305-237-1673.