



Media Advisory

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Director/Actor Mario Van Peebles to Join Authors in Inspiring Student Success at Black Teen Summit

WHAT: Mario Van Peebles, whose extensive list of acting and directing credits include a string of African American-focused films, is set to share keys of his success with Lynwood Unified students at the fifth annual Black Teen Summit.

Nearly 250 students will be greeted by Van Peebles, who will show his documentary film, "Bring Your 'A' Game", in which a 17-year-old encounters a diverse group of African American icons. Van Peebles, who will conduct a Q & A session, is one of three guest speakers at the summit.

Tyson Amir, author of "Black Boy Poems," and author Pamela Sye, who has written extensively about African American issues, will each share their stories and impart wisdom to the young attendees.

A representative from the office of California Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon will attend as well, as will Lynwood Unified Superintendent Gudiel R. Crosthwaite.

WHEN: **Thursday, Feb. 22**
8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

WHERE: Lynwood Bateman Hall
11331 Ernestine Ave.
Lynwood, CA

MORE: Lynwood Unified is partnering with the District African American Advisory Parent Council to put on the event, which is themed "Right People, Right Place, Right Time – For Success."

Breakfast and lunch will be provided for students, and gift cards will be offered in an opportunity drawing.

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