

#GIVINGTUESDAY

PRESS RELEASE

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Calculus Roundtable **Celebrates #GivingTuesday** and pledges to continue to change the lives of students of color through access to inspiring, empowering and personally relevant STEM.

OAKLAND CA NOVEMBER 27-DECEMBER 4, 2018 – This #GivingTuesday, Calculus Roundtable will celebrate giving by raising \$10,000 to further change students' lives. With the support of a giving community and vibrant mentors, Calculus Roundtable will provide direct services to students and their families. Calculus Roundtable will use these funds to mold and expose 500 additional students to innovate, learn, and learn to learn via project based STEM experiences and membership within a lasting STEM community.

#GivingTuesday is a global day of giving that harnesses the collective power of individuals, communities and organizations to encourage philanthropy and to celebrate generosity worldwide. Following Thanksgiving and the widely recognized shopping events Black Friday and Cyber Monday, this year's #GivingTuesday will take place on November 27th and will kick off the giving season by inspiring people to collaborate and give back.

"This #GIVINGTUESDAY fundraiser will bring us one step closer to our audacious goal of training a hundred thousand scientists of color by 2030," Jim Hollis, Calculus Roundtable executive director.

Founded in 2012 by the 92nd Street Y – a community and cultural center in New York City – #GivingTuesday inspired millions of people to give back and support the causes they believe in. Over \$300 million was raised online to benefit a tremendously broad range of organizations, and much more was given in volunteer hours, donations of food and gifts, and acts of kindness.

"We are incredibly inspired by the way the #GivingTuesday community has embraced this concept for a worldwide movement," said Henry Timms, founder of #GivingTuesday and Executive Director of 92Y. "As we prepare for November 27, we're energized and encouraged by the community's generosity. The levels of creativity, effort and the quality of the new ideas people have contributed and shared are phenomenal."

Those who are interested in joining The Calculus Roundtable's #GivingTuesday initiative can visit www.calcround.org. For more details about the #GivingTuesday movement, visit the #GivingTuesday website (www.givingtuesday.org), Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/GivingTuesday>) or follow @GivingTues and the #GivingTuesday hashtag on Twitter.

About THE CALCULUS ROUNDTABLE

The Calculus Roundtable promotes alternative pathways to math and science for students, particularly for students of color. Our goal is to increase the number of children of color completing higher level math and science skills, and empower those children to become leaders in their communities. The Calculus Roundtable is recognized nationally for connecting students to cutting-edge STEM learning and experiences via our Digital One Room Schoolhouse (DORS) program.

The DORS program includes in-school after school and summer school programs, camps in summer, Career Technical Pathways (CTE) work, teacher education, district support, parent trainings, workshops, and talks.

Since 2013, The Calculus Roundtable has worked with 5 county offices of education, 46 K12 districts and over 4,000 students from around the state of California. Two new chapters of Calculus Roundtable are being developed in Wisconsin and New Jersey. We have completed engagements with edtech firms like Schoolcity, Edmodo, and Amazon Education.

Our flagship program, The Digital One Room Schoolhouse (DORS) promotes high-quality equitable learning through cutting-edge teaching and implementation strategies. The DORS Model Teaching Philosophy motivates students to learn more about a specific “connected to real-life” subject, empowers students to learn to learn, relies on open-ended questions as a starting point, with no "correct" answer at the other end and provides a large curated archive of hands-on or gamified activities that are aligned to science and math standards. www.calcround.org

Calculus Roundtable in Action

In an example of one of our activities, students are asked to use a spreadsheet to document their favorite basketball players at each position. Then students are asked to create a column that adds the players’ three-point percentage, field-goal percentage, and free throw line percentage. Before you know it they are mastering technology tools, building spreadsheets and conducting statistical analysis.

About #GivingTuesday

Founded by the team in the Belfer Center for Innovation & Social Impact at 92nd Street <http://www.92Y.org>, #GivingTuesday is a global giving movement that has been built by individuals, families, organizations, businesses, and communities in all 50 states and in countries around the world. This year, #GivingTuesday falls on November 27. #GivingTuesday harnesses the collective power of a unique blend of partners to transform how people think about, talk about, and participate in the giving season. It inspires people to take collective action to improve their communities, give back in better, smarter ways to the charities and causes they believe in, and help create a better world. #GivingTuesday demonstrates how every act of generosity counts, and that they mean even more when we give together.

To learn more about #GivingTuesday participants and activities or to join the celebration of giving, please visit:

Website: www.givingtuesday.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/GivingTuesday

Twitter: twitter.com/GivingTues