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JEWELS ACADEMY 4th ANNUAL FUNDRAISER FEATURES DR. SUE MATTISON, DRAKE UNIVERSITY PROVOST

Local Nonprofit Supports Underrepresented Young Women in STEM & Self-Enrichment

DES MOINES, Iowa - (Sept. 15TH) - Jewels Academy's leadership is proud to host Keeping the Brilliance in Jewels, a fundraising event taking place on **Thursday, September 19, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. CST** at the **Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden**. To [RSVP](#) or [donate](#).

Drake Provost Dr. Sue Mattison will be this year's keynote presenter. Dr. Mattison has served as Provost at Drake University since July 2016. Reporting directly to the University President, she provides leadership for Drake's seven academic colleges/schools and two libraries, as well as the offices of Equity and Inclusion, Global Engagement, Institutional Research and Assessment, Online and Continuing Education, Admissions and Enrollment Management, Grants and Compliance, the Registrar's Office, Faculty Excellence, and Student Success.

Jewels Academy is a 501c3 organization offering long-term STEM and self-enrichment programs for underrepresented young women from elementary to high school. Jewels Academy provides young women with unique and challenging learning experiences while preserving traditions and respect for their principles and values.

Since 2012, Jewels Academy has reached nearly 18,000 students in community events and served over 950 program attendees throughout the United States and internationally. Most importantly, 100 percent of high school peer mentors seek higher education or formal professional training, and 75 percent choose to study in a STEM field.

"Outreach inspired me to study physics. Outreach made me who I am today." Anna Janni, Jewels Academy College Intern

Our upcoming events can be found here: www.jewelsacademy.org/register

Help us shine bright! Our programming would not have been possible without the generosity of our donors and sponsors. Thank you to our individual donors and corporate supporters, John Deere, Athene Foundation, Prairie Meadows, and Mid-American Energy. Your support removes the cost barrier for students to attend workshops and class sessions and fosters professional development.

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