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**Black Star Rising Summer Program welcomes
Head of Operations and Chief of Staff at eBay as guest speaker**

WHAT The Black Star Rising Summer Program, offered by SFUSD to incoming African American high school freshmen students to increase their exposure to STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) education, will host Regina Wallace-Jones, Head of Operations and Chief of Staff at eBay, as a guest speaker.

WHEN/ Wednesday, June 13 / 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
WHERE Denman Middle School / 241 Oneida Ave.

Media, please RSVP to Laura Dudnick at dudnickl@sfusd.edu

WHY The need for STEM professionals is among the nation's fastest growing workforce demands, although students of color -- particularly African American students -- are often under-represented in these fields. The Black Star Rising Summer Program, a product of [SFUSD's African American Achievement & Leadership Initiative](#), aims to disrupt the opportunity gap for African American students, including in STEM education.

AUDIO / Regina Wallace-Jones, who currently works as Head of Operations and
VISUAL Chief of Staff at eBay and previously worked as Head of Security Operations at Facebook, will speak to students about following their dreams and overcoming the odds to succeed in their chosen career path.

ABOUT Now in its second year, SFUSD's Black Star Rising Summer Program aims
BLACK to increase African American student exposure to STEM and prepare
STAR incoming high school freshmen to stay on track for graduation. After three
RISING weeks in class, the students transition to a five-week internship, where they
SUMMER will focus on STEM-based group projects.
PROGRAM

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