

# Bridges Visits UM Incentive Awards Program

**April 5, 2012**

On Thursday, April 5, 25 Bridges high school students visited the University of Maryland to learn about the University of Maryland Incentive Awards Program. The UMIAP recognizes and rewards young people who want to better their opportunities through a college education. Ariel Sklar, Bridges' first ever High School / College Program Director, is working on making college visits a regular part of the Bridges high school program. Hopefully future trips will be as successful as this one.



Assistant Admissions Director, Derrick Davis, speaks about college admissions and on the importance of staying focused in high school.



UMIAP Director, Jackie Lee, welcomes students to UM and introduces them to the Incentive Awards Program.



The tour pauses to meet and touch school mascot, Testudo, for good luck.



UMIAP student, Malcolm Lewis, leads Bridges students on a tour of the UM campus.



The day ends with a session that allows UMIAP and Bridges students to talk about Incentive Awards and the college experience.