Cordell Cade of Atlanta, Ga. Elected 116th Mayor of Boys Town

BOYS TOWN, Neb. – Boys Town youth today elected Cordell Cade of Atlanta, Ga., the 116th mayor of the Village of Boys Town. Kymani Bell of Jacksonville, Fla. was elected vice mayor.

Cade is 17-years-old, and says he wants to take on a bigger leadership role on campus. “I want to be the face and the voice of campus. I want to make a difference.”

Cade is on the Boys Town football team, the basketball team, and runs track. He is also a National Honor Society member. After graduation he plans to go to college and medical school to become a doctor. His Family-Teachers are Ryan and Shani Meehl.

Kymani Bell is also on the Boys Town basketball team, the football team, and runs track. He has been student of the quarter five times and is on the honor role. After graduation he plans to attend college and pursue a degree in business. His Family-Teachers are Aaron and Kendal Robertson.

Father Edward J. Flanagan conceived the self-government system at the Village of Boys Town in 1926 as a tool for its citizens to build character, citizenship and a sense of community. The process was made famous in the 1938 Academy Award-winning movie “Boys Town,” where Mickey Rooney portrayed Whitey Marsh, a tough young boy who turns his life around and becomes Mayor of Boys Town.

About Boys Town
Boys Town is a beacon of hope for America’s children and families through its life-changing youth care and health care programs across the United States. Now almost 100
years strong, Boys Town’s Continuum of Child and Family Services aims to provide the right services at the right time based on a child’s or family’s needs. In 2015, Boys Town’s integrated continuum of youth care and health care programs impacted more than 500,000 children and families across America. This includes those who received services from Boys Town’s traditional programs as well as those served by the many varied programs which comprise the Boys Town Continuum of Child and Family Services, including In-Home Family Services, health care services provided by Boys Town National Research Hospital and the Boys Town National Hotline.

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