

## **SAVE OUR Y TO PARTNER WITH ELEVATION PREPARATORY ACADEMY!**

The group responsible for saving the Sarasota County Family YMCA branches, Save Our Y (SOY), announces a partnership with Elevation Preparatory Academy (EPA), a coed multicultural private school in Sarasota, FL.

***“We are excited about this partnership. There is great synergy not only in EPA’s product, but in its outstanding leadership combined with the SOY mission and purpose. It’s a match made in heaven.”-***

***Jim Purdy, President SOY***

EPA was founded in 2010 as the academic component to several specialized sports academies in Sarasota/Bradenton. Attracting students, grades 9-12, from 82 countries since inception whose goal is to matriculate to college in the United States. EPA’s diverse curriculum, unique student body, flex scheduling, competitive pricing, and specialized programs provide students with a one of a kind educational experience.

***“We are a small private high school that has found its niche in Sarasota, Florida. We have been in operation for 10 years just waiting for the right situation to announce our presence to the Sarasota Community. It was the perfect storm, SOY and EPA share the same mission, core values, and principles. The opportunity to partner with SOY and expand our academic culture to the community which we love is a dream come true.”-Matt Hiller, EPA Founder and Head of School.***

Although they are 2 separate entities, SOY and EPA have plans to collaborate on existing programs as well as offer new programs. Reach New Heights, Inc is a non-profit (501c3) charitable organization that was founded by the faculty of EPA. The mission of Reach New Heights, Inc is to provide after school programs in the fields of athletics, college & career counseling, and basic life skills.

***“We have programs that cater to all ages, levels, and interests! The goal is to help kids and with SOY, EPA, and Reach New Heights all working together in this endeavor it is a win for the Sarasota Community as a whole!”- Jeff Howard, EPA Program Coordinator***

EPA will be located at the Berlin Branch of SOY June 1, 2020. Registration for all programs, including applications for the 2020-21 school year are now open. For Florida residents all state sponsored scholarships are accepted. For more information please visit our website

[www.ElevationPrep.org](http://www.ElevationPrep.org) or by phone 941-371-0462.

## **“REACH NEW HEIGHTS!”**