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# Calabar Alumni Overseas Chapters say "Thank you" with \$1,500,000

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Washington D.C.- For the third consecutive year, Calabar High School Alumni Chapters based overseas have banded together to show appreciation to the teachers at their alma mater. The old boys chapters in Washington, DC, New York, Atlanta and Florida have all combined to provide a cash gift to all teachers, guidance counselors and support staff at Calabar during National Teachers Appreciation Week, which begins on May 2, 2022

"It is with great pride, that the chapters got together once again to say thank you to our teachers. They [teachers] are among the most dedicated and caring professionals as they go above and beyond on a daily basis as they influence those formative years of high school," says Michael McPherson, head of the Washington, DC Chapter.

The old boys gift of over \$1,500,000 to the school gives the teachers, student support services, administrative and ancillary support staff a stipend of J\$10,000 each. It is one part of other initiatives planned for National Teachers Appreciation Week, May 2 to May 6, at Calabar.

"Gratitude is a must, if I may borrow a line from the song Toast [by Koffee], so acknowledgment of the role educators play is essential in my view. Who doesn't remember their favorite teachers and the impact on our lives?" remarked Karl Thompson, president of the Florida chapter.

We applaud any activity or program that celebrates our teachers, so we are happy it came together again this year," said David Anderson, president of the Atlanta chapter. A sentiment also shared by the New York chapter.

"We hope to provide this token of appreciation every year for years to come. Sometimes it is not about the size of the gift but the fact we are showing that we care and appreciate our teachers for all they do and all that they sacrifice. It is the least we can do," added McPherson.

# **About Calabar Old Boys (Alumni) Chapters**

Most Calabar Alumni Chapters are formally registered non-profit organizations. More information on some of the chapters can be found on their websites or email addresses below.

New York Chapter <a href="https://calabaratlumniny.com/">https://calabaratlumniny.com/</a>
Atlanta Chapter <a href="https://calabaratlanta.org/">https://calabaratlanta.org/</a>
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# TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK MAY 2 - May 7, 2022















Overseas Chapters Atlanta, DC, Florida and New York have banned together to honor Calabar educators with a gift of US\$10,000to the school for a stipend to all teachers and staff at Calabar