

Girls Still Lead



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The Girls Lead Club, all former students at the Harriet Tubman Young Women's Leadership Academy shut down by Portland Public Schools last year, are continuing their STEM studies on their own. On Jan. 19, they hold a community day of service to invite math tutors in to work with the Tubman "mathletes" in preparation for the Math Counts competition Feb. 9. Here, the girls pose in the video production room on the set of their future news program. From left, Medha Pulla, 17; Miracle Barber, 12; Jada Commodore, 12; Carmen Sanchez, 12; LeeAnnMontgomery, 13; Shradha Pulla, 17; and at the video camera with her back to the camera is Jyothi Gaddam—who, along with former schools administrator Carolyn Leonard, is the Girls Lead Club founder. Find a full story about their work at www.theskanner.com.

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