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## THE RULE DOCUMENTARY FILM

### WHITE HOUSE INITIATIVE ON EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE FOR AFRICAN AMERICANS FILM AND DISCUSSION SERIES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

**DATE: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2016**

**TIME: 3 – 5 PM**

THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (LBJ BUILDING)  
400 MARYLAND AVE SW, WASHINGTON, DC 20202

Q&A WITH ST. BENEDICT'S PREP & FILMMAKERS MARYLOU & JEROME BONGIORNO

The White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for African Americans (Initiative) Film Screening and Discussion Series screens films that depict positive and compelling stories of students, families, and communities striving for academic excellence. Each film challenges and disrupts negative stereotypes about African American students, families, and communities. Each film screening is accompanied by a dialogue/community forum designed to discuss themes and topics that emerge from the film and are designed to inform a national conversation about challenges and opportunities to ensuring African American educational excellence for all children, youth, and young adults. For info: [HTTP://WWW.ED.GOV/CONTENT/WHITE-HOUSE-INITIATIVE-EDUCATIONAL-EXCELLENCE-AFRICAN-AMERICANS-LAUNCHES-FILM-SCREENING-AND-DISCUSSION-SERIES-WHITE-HOUSE](http://www.ed.gov/content/white-house-initiative-educational-excellence-african-americans-launches-film-screening-and-discussion-series-white-house)

This month's screening will feature the film *The Rule* and discuss opportunities for caring and concerned adults to support the learning and development of young men of color.

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#### WANT INNER CITY SCHOOLS TO FINALLY SUCCEED?

St. Benedict's Prep has a near 100% COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE rate! See how the Benedictine monks of Newark Abbey as well as brilliant student leaders and community are able to achieve their amazing success. Following the screening, join us for a student-led discussion of ways we can ensure educational excellence and support students so that they feel safe, supported, and engaged at home, in school, and within their community. For more information about the film, visit: [WWW.THERULEFILM.COM](http://www.THERULEFILM.COM)

**Register** for this important event here:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/afamedfilms-screening-and-discussion-of-the-rule-tickets-19793268198>

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