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Urban Science Academy Benefits from \$5,000 Brookline Bank Donation

WEST ROXBURY, MA, 10/26/09- Brookline Bank recently donated \$5,000 to the West Roxbury-based Urban Science Academy (USA) for the purchase of technology tools vital for students to be more successful in their STEM classes.

The USA was founded in 2005 from the High School Renewal effort which reconstituted large, comprehensive Boston schools into smaller, theme-based schools. USA's student population has increased in four years to 325, has a staff of 35, and offers seven Advanced Placement courses.

A portion of the donation provided by Brookline Bank will go towards the purchase Smart Board technology, calculators and various software programs to assist in USA's work with the students.

"We are grateful that Brookline Bank has allowed us to continue to build our student peer support program helping our most needy students," commented Michael Gero, USA Math Teacher. "Part of the grant will help us expand our corps of student tutors. The remainder will be used for classroom technology."



Photo from left to right: USA students surrounding, (check) Tom Aguiar- Brookline Bank Branch Manager; Michael Gero- USA Math Teacher; Rosamond Vaule- Director & Chair CRA Committee; Wesley K Blair, III- Brookline Bank Senior Vice President; Rasheed Meadows-USA Head Master.

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