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EASTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS GET “KNOCKED OUT” BY CHANCE MEETING WITH SYLVESTER STALLONE IN PHILADELPHIA

CAHTS students meet Oscar-winning star near “Rocky” statue

***PHOTOS Attached***

PATERSON – When a group of Eastside High School students went the distance to Philadelphia on a field trip this week, they didn’t expect to meet one of the city’s most-memorable movie icons. But that’s exactly what happened when the group made their way to the Philadelphia Museum of Art and found Sylvester Stallone, star of the Oscar award-winning film Rocky and the series of Rocky films that followed it.

Stallone was filming some promotional videos near the statue that bears his Rocky likeness on the museum’s property. The students are all enrolled at Eastside’s Culinary Arts, Hospitality, and Tourism School (CAHTS) and had just finished touring the Reading Terminal Market before they went to the museum.

“When the students first arrived at the museum, they went to the statue and somebody said, ‘Hey, you just missed Sylvester Stallone,’” said CATHS Principal Edgard Nieves. “Nobody believed he was there, and then two black SUVs pulled up. A window rolled down and it was Rocky asking the kids what school they all went to. When they said Eastside in Paterson, N.J., he got out and did a video and pictures with the students.”

A video posted on Instagram of the meeting has gotten nearly 800,000 views since last night.

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