

## **Biography of Trey Baker**

Trey Baker is an upcoming sophomore at Depaul University where he is majoring in Peace, Justice, and Conflict Studies, a Multicultural Scholar, and previously played college basketball at Maryville University in Saint Louis. He currently serves as the Special Advisor to the Obama Foundation's My Brother's Keeper Alliance and MBK Chicago Action, Juvenile Justice Coordinator for the Lake County State's Attorney's Office, a member of the Gun Violence Prevention Initiative for Lake County, and member of the Lake County Workforce Development Youth Task Force.

In partnership with the largest children's publishing company in the world, Scholastic Publishing Company, Trey has been named the youngest Scholastic Mentor in the history of the company to join their Rising Voices Library serving K-12 school districts across the country where he will also become a published author in his upcoming children's book. As an author and spoken word poet, he's currently leading creative design and storytelling campaigns for brands such as Jordan, Nike, Vault 49, Chicago Bulls, and Hyatt Hotels.

Some of Trey's accomplishments are receiving the Honoring Our Own: Excellence in Education Leadership Award by the National Association of Latino Administrators & Superintendents and the National Alliance of Black School Educators, awarded the Lake County, IL Sheriff's Official Medal for his work towards reforming public and school safety policy, recognized with a proclamation by the Illinois State Senate for his work in racial and educational equity, awarded & recognized by President Barack Obama for his youth leadership & activism along with being featured in ABC News, NBC News, and the Chicago Tribune for his work.