Dayton Youth Services Center Sherri Chan - Director April/May2015

April/May Contacts (March 19 – May 21)

Individual Student Contacts: 96

Parents/Family: 48

Group Contacts: 1,450 (includes college and career readiness week activities, Mock crash, truth and consequences, etc.)

April/May Activities

- **Truth and Consequences** This program was a great success. 8th grade students viewed an educational video, heard a guest speaker on the dangers of high risk behavior, and spoke to community service providers to learn the consequences of substance abuse.
- **Mock Crash** The YSC's from Dayton and Bellevue partnered to provide all junior and senior students with a "Mock Crash" experience. Students learned about the dangers of drinking and driving and watched a powerful documentary on the Carrollton bus crash prior to prom.
- **Dollars and Sense** The Brighton Center presented "Dollars and Sense" to all juniors in April during their College and Career Readiness Class. Students learned about financial management, loans, banking, etc. during this 6 session program.
- **Healthy Baby Program** Teen parents from DHS and Newport High School heard from a guest presenter from NorthKey Community Care on healthy pregnancy on April 30th
- **Books and Bibs** Teen parents heard from guest presenters from an educational organization on the importance of reading to their children on April 17th. Each parent received a book, bib, and/or sippy cup. Newport High School teen parents joined us for this program.
- Senior Service Day YSC and Dayton Main Street manager coordinated the senior service project with DHS seniors. The Seniors decided to paint a mural on our Dayton Day Care Center. The seniors did a great job and worked diligently to complete the project, making the Day Care more welcoming for the children.
- ACT rewards YSC coordinated rewards for students meeting 2 or more benchmarks on the ACT. Eleven students ate at Frsich's and attended a Reds game on April 29th.
- NKADD Summer Ignition YSC is partnering with NKADD to have 9 students participate in a summer work program. Interested seniors interviewed with site supervisors from Care Bear Day Care, the YMCA, Dayton Schools (technology and custodial services), and the City of Dayton. Students were selected by the site supervisors and will begin working in June.

Ongoing Services

- **Home Visits** YSC continues to do home visits one day a week with the SRO. 17 home visits were conducted by YSC during the last two months to support student attendance.
- **Power Pack** 12 power packs are distributed to referred students in need each Friday. The YSC will be working with the free store food bank to open a food pantry to better meet the needs of middle and high school students in need in June.
- **Drug Free Club** –Drug Free Club members have been participating in random drug screens bi-monthly. Students continue to receive small rewards for their participation. Drug Free Club members attended a Reds game on April 29th and several participated in the NKU photovoice project to share their insights on why students use or do not use drugs.
- **Mentor/Mentee Program** 8 seniors regularly meet with a 7th or 8th grade student to assist them with goal setting, organization, and tutoring.

- **Counseling** –Kristie Barrow (Lifepoint Solutions therapist) and Lauren Hughes (NorthKey Community Care therapist) counsel students referred by student services department members. YSC is organizing meetings with service providers to coordinate services for next school year. Each counselor will be in the district 5 days a week next year.