

**Dayton Youth Services Center
Sherri Chan - Director
August/September 2015**

August & September Contacts (8/1/15-9/16/15)

Individual Student Contacts: 160

Parents/Family: 12

Group Contacts: 364

August/September Activities

- **Suicide Prevention Training** – YSC collaborated with Lifepoint Solutions to coordinate suicide prevention training for staff members during professional development prior to the first day of school. All students were also trained on suicide prevention by the YSC coordinator and guidance counselor on August 19th and 20th.
- **Teen Parent Support** – YSC coordinated a visit to the Dayton Day Care Center and Child care assistance office on September 8th for parenting and expecting teens.
- **Student Led Conferences** – YSC is partnering with DHS food services to provide families in attendance with dinner and desserts. Agency representatives from community agencies will be in attendance to share information on resources with parents.
- **Senior Community Service Project** – The senior class has decided to sponsor LES students in need for holiday assistance for their community service project this year. They are in process of coordinating several fundraisers to raise money for the holiday assistance.
- **Girls on the Run** – Girls on the Run began on 9/15/15. Nine middle schools students are participating in this healthy, self-esteem promoting running program twice weekly after school.
- **Vision Screening** – The YSC will assist the school nurse with vision screening at DHS on the 22nd and 23rd of September.

Ongoing Services

- **Food Pantry** – Dayton Youth Services Center has partnered the Free Store Food Bank to provide students and family with a food pantry in place of the power pack program. This allows students and their families to access food as needed. The pantry provides the students with the option to choose the food they prefer, and the food is easy for a student to prepare at home independently.
- **Drug Free Club** –Drug Free Club registration is open. So far, 20 new students have registered for the club.
- **Counseling** –Kristie Barrow (Lifepoint Solutions therapist) and Lauren Hughes (NorthKey Community Care therapist) counsel students referred by the YSC coordinator. NorthKey Community Care will also conduct crisis evaluations as need this year at both LES and DHS.
- **Basic Needs Assistance** - The YSC provides students in need with shoes, clothing, and school supplies. The YSC has already assisted 17individual students with clothing and 51with school supplies.

Upcoming Activities

- **Truth and Consequences** – The YSC has partnered with the Campbell Co. Cooperative Extension Office to coordinate the Truth and Consequences substance abuse prevention program for all 8th grade students in October.
- **Campbell Co. Drug Free Alliance** – As an active member of the Campbell Co. Drug Free Alliance, the YSC is planning the CCDFA Youth Summit during Red Ribbon Week in October. Dayton High School students will attend the event along with students from other schools across the county.

- The CCDFA was recently awarded the Drug Free Communities grant, which will provide funding for new prevention programs for youth throughout the county.