## Dayton Youth Services Center Sherri Chan - Director October/November 2015

## August & September Contacts (9/87/15-11/11/15)

Individual Student Contacts: 153

Parents/Family: 22

Group Contacts: 1088 (includes vision screening, red ribbon week, college expo, Haunted House)

## **October/November Activities**

- **Teen Parent Support** YSC is working with the Campbell co. Cooperative Extension Center to present the evidenced based program "Keys to Great Parenting." Family and Consumer Sciences agent, Kate Thompson will be in every other month to meet with the expecting and parenting teens.
- 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 have had several successful fundraisers already, raising over \$1,000 for LES students in need. Their largest fundraiser was a Haunted House hosted by the seniors at the YMCA teen center bringing in almost \$700.
- College Expo Interested juniors attended a college expo at Newport High School
- Girls on the Run Girls on the Run continues to meet twice weekly addressing issues such as self-esteem, peer pressure, substance abuse, etc. all while training for a 5K race. The race is on November 21<sup>st</sup> at Sawyer Point.
- **Thanksgiving Assistance** The YSC and Lincoln's FRC are partnering with Crossroads Church to provide 72 families with Thanksgiving meals. The meals will be distributed at the high school on November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Dayton High School is also having our annual canned food drive the week of November 9<sup>th</sup> to benefit St. Bernard Food Pantry.
- **Vision Screening** The YSC is collaborating with the school nurse to coordinate a field trip for glasses for those students that did not pass the vision screen conducted in September.
- Truth and Consequences The YSC partnered with the Campbell Co. Cooperative Extension Office to coordinate the Truth and Consequences substance abuse prevention program for all 8<sup>th</sup> grade students on October 24<sup>th</sup>. Students heard from a guest speaker, role played various drug/alcohol related scenarios with community agency representatives, and viewed an educational video.
- **Red Ribbon Week** High School Drug Free Club members attended the Campbell County Youth Summit on October 27<sup>th</sup>. Also, the YSC handed out educational material during lunch and students heard educational/motivational messages on the daily announcements.
- **Mentor/Mentee Program** Senior students have been paired with identified 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in need of some social and/or academic support. The mentor/mentee pair will work together once weekly.

## **Ongoing Services**

- Food Pantry Dayton Youth Services Center has partnered the Free Store Food Bank to
  provide students and family with a food pantry. 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.
- **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.

- **Drug Free Club** – The high school currently has 40 members. Each student is drug tested to earn membership and is subject to random drug screens throughout the year. Drug Free members earn small rewards all year to reward them for making the positive choice to stay drug free.

Upcoming Activities

- Holiday Assistance