

**Dayton Youth Services Center
Sherri Chan - Director
August/September 2016**

August/September Contacts (7/23/16-9/21/16)

Individual Student Contacts: 183

Individual Parents/Family: 17

Group Contacts: 352 (vision screening, open house, mentor training)

August/September Activities

- **Readifest** – On August 4th, the YSC and FRC partnered to host a Readifest for all students in the district. Many community agency representatives were in attendance and provided participating students and families with information on resources available and school supplies.
- **Drug Free Club** – Drug Free Club recruitment for the 2016-2017 school year is underway. Our first random Drug Screen will take place in October and members will have the opportunity to attend the Campbell Co. Youth Summit on October 25th.
- **Magnified Giving** – Our senior students will have the opportunity to participate in Magnified Giving for their senior service project this year. Seniors will have \$1,500 to give to a non-profit organization of their choice. They'll be asked to determine needs in our community and decide which non-profit could best address the need that they choose to be most important with the \$1,500. The founder of Magnified Giving visited our seniors to kick off the program on September 22nd.
- **Big Devil/Little Devil Mentoring** – YSC is in the process of training qualifying senior student aids to be mentors for teacher referred 7th and 8th grade students.
- **Student Assistance Team** – YSC coordinates monthly Student Assistance Team meetings. This team, made up of administrators, teachers, and ER staff members, is partnering with ABRI to use data to identify at risk students and provide them with appropriate interventions.
- **Vision Screening** – YSC assisted the school nurse with vision screenings for all 7th, 9th, and 11th grade students on September 13th and 14th.

Ongoing Services

- **Food Pantry** – The Free Store Food Bank has provided the YSC with a Food Pantry on site. The food items are distributed to parents and students per request. The new frozen meat items have been especially helpful. Also, the FSFB received a one-time grant for household and hygiene items. The families have really appreciated having these available at the pantry.
- **Counseling** – Both NorthKey Community Care and Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health are available in the building four days per week throughout the 2016-2017 school year. The YSC, Ms. Newsome, and the Student Assistance Team will assist with identifying students in need of mental health counseling and referring them to the school based agencies. The NorthKey position has been vacant since September 9th. The new therapist will be starting on October 14th.

Upcoming Activities

- **Truth and Consequences** – YSC is partnering with the Campbell Co. Cooperative Extension Office to provide our 8th grade students with this substance abuse prevention program on October 20th.
- **KIP Survey** – On October 26th all 8th, 10th, and 12th grade students will participate in the KIP Survey. The survey measures substance use among students, perception of harm, and their views on school safety.

- **College Expo** – On Oct. 14th all interested juniors will be invited to attend a College Expo at Newport High School.
- **Anthony Munoz Conference** – The YSC coordinator and Ms. Newsome will be taking a select group of students to this leadership development conference on October 13th.