## Dayton Youth Services Center Sherri Chan - Director May 2017

## May Activities

- **Magnified Giving** Seniors concluded their senior service project with Magnified Giving on 5/16. Three representatives from the senior class attended an awards program during which they shared about their experience and presented checks to the agencies they selected to award the grant funding to. The seniors awarded \$1,000 to Transitions, Inc. and \$800 to Cinderella's Closet.
- **Grief Support** NorthKey concluded the grief support group for students during the week of 5/15.
- Drug Free Club Members went on a reward trip to Golden Corral last month and received club t-shirts (designed by a club member) in May. Students will also receive flash drives before the end of the year, and our seniors that have participated 3 or more years, including senior year, will be presented with cords to wear at graduation. Several students also participated in the "Sticker Shock" project during which they posted the law of underage drinking on beer at Hansman's.
- **KPrep Grill Out** YSC recruited volunteers to serve our students that met the requirements of the good faith rubric on state testing at a cook-out on 5/19.
- **After-Prom** YSC coordinator secured funding and the venue for the After-Prom event and coordinated all prizes for the after-prom event.
- **Prom Prep** 9 junior and senior girls had the opportunity to have their hair and make-up done for prom by professionals at no cost. All volunteers were provided by the CARE Closet.
- **DUI Simulator** This special program to educate juniors and seniors on the dangers of driving under the influence was cancelled due to weather. The program has been rescheduled for Red Ribbon Week during the 2017-2018 school year.
- **Transition Day** YSC is working with several students to coordinate a "Transition Day" program for current 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. Students will participate in a scavenger hunt to become acclimated with the middle school.

## Ongoing Programs/Services

- **Food Pantry** Students and their families continue to utilize the school based food pantry as needed. This program will continue throughout the summer months.
- **Counseling** Both NorthKey Community Care and Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health are available in the building, and will see clients on campus during the summer months as needed. They have committed to providing services to our students again next year.
- **Student Assistance Team** The SAT continues to meet monthly to identify and provide interventions to at risk students. The team is working with identified students and data measuring impact is gathered weekly.

## **Upcoming Activities**

- YSC applied for the WellCare Community Investment Grant to decrease smoking in the community. Mrs. Embry and Mrs. Andreadis are partnering with the YSC to implement the project, if funded.
- YSC will be working with the 21<sup>st</sup> Century After School program to apply for a nano grant from the Center for Great Neighborhoods. If awarded funds, the project will be implemented over the summer.