Dayton Youth Services Center Sherri Chan - Director December 2017/January 2018

December/January Activities

- **Magnified Giving** Seniors continue to work on their senior service project. In small groups, seniors researched non-profit organizations and are now in the process to narrow down their options. The group will review the grant applications for the 3 finalists and analyze the non-profits using the LENS evaluation tool for their next step in the process
- Drug Free Club Drug Free Club membership is now at 158 students. There has been a slight decrease in numbers due to pending testing results. Parent/Guardians need to communicate with DFC to verify medications. Students recently received rewards such as hot chocolate and ice cream sundaes from our DHS boosters. To celebrate Mr. Brewer's birthday, he provided club members with cake pops. Students also received t-shirts on 1/19.18. YSC is working with DFC student leadership team to plan sophomore and middle school field trips.
- Campbell Co. Drug Free Alliance The YSC coordinator is working with this group to help create a Campbell Country Youth Task Force to reduce youth substance abuse in Campbell County
- Holiday Assistance YSC and FRC collaborate to provide holiday assistance to families in need. 141 families received food assistance. Twenty-five high school students received clothing and gifts for Christmas.
- **Books and Bibs** The YSC hosted "Books and Bibs" for expecting and parenting teens from Dayton High School and Newport High School. Presenters taught students about the importance of reading to their children..
- Olweus Training YSC along with other DHS staff members were trained in the Olweus bullying prevention program. Team members will survey students about the current school climate and train teachers in the bullying prevention program.
- **FRYSC Grant** The youth services center coordinator is currently analyzing data and needs assessments to write the FY19 FRYSC grant.

Ongoing Programs/Services

- **Food Pantry** Students and their families continue to utilize the school based food pantry as needed. 25 families received food from the food pantry on 1/9/18 and 37 families participated during the month of December.
- **Counseling** NorthKey Community Care therapist has increased her time here at Dayton HS to 4 days a week to meet the needs of our students. The Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health therapist is currently on leave, but is typically here 3 days a week.
- **Student Assistance Team** The SAT continues to meet monthly to discuss high risk students and coordinate interventions. SAT members, including YSC coordinator mentor several students, checking in with them on a weekly basis.
- **NKU student** YSC coordinator is now supervising a Master's Level Social Work student from NKU.