BEYOND THE BELL

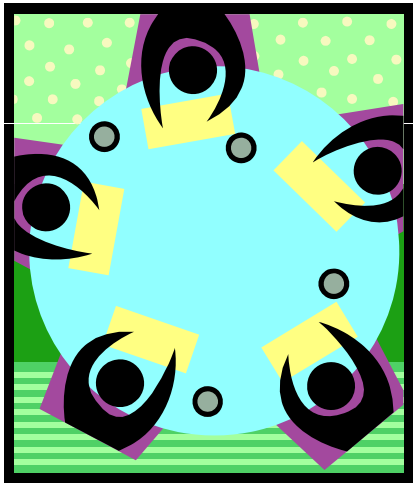
…turning community collaboration into achievement!

Extended Day Services for our Students and their Families!

Community Collaboration for the 2011-2012 School Year

YORK MAKES A VILLAGE!

Initial Meeting - March 28, 2011



BRINGING PARTNERS TOGETHER –

MOVING FROM TALK TO ACTION!

- School District
- City
- Health Bureau
  - YMCA of York and York County
  - Penn State Extension
- United Way
- Martin Memorial Library

Focus of the Group

TO BECOME THE VILLAGE NEEDED TO RAISE OUR CHILDREN:

- Continue 21st Century-like programming for students
- Assist to provide gaps from program cuts:
  - Elementary Music
  - Elementary Art
  - Elementary Physical Education
  - Elementary Guidance
  - Character Education
  - At Risk Coordinators
  - Others????

IDENTIFIED NEEDS

- Before and After-school care
- Volunteers
- Social/Emotional Issues
- Behavioral Issues
- Academics
- Nutrition
- Fitness

OBSTACLES/CHALLENGES

- PERSONNEL
  - Inability to pay
  - Need for clearances
  - Getting consistent/dependable volunteers
- FUNDING
  - School District deficit
  - Governor's proposed budget cuts
  - Proposed federal education cuts
- TIMING

Collaboration – The Key to the Puzzle

- Before and after school child care K-6 (YMCA)
- Free membership ALL 7th graders (2 days required sessions)
- Y-Achievers (8-12)
- Urban Gardening (K-12 - Penn State Ext. – 4H)
- LEAP Into Science (Martin Library –grant submitted)
- Risk Watch – Safety Program K-8 (York Health Bureau)
- ATT Grant – 9th Grade Family Engagement to stay in school (United Way)
- COLLEGE AND CAREER speakers bureau (United Way – Emerging Leaders; City of York Managers/Directors)
- Other partners? – yet to be firmed up

DESIGN and RESPONSIBILITY

- YMCA will take lead for K-6 programming with in-house child care before and after school in all six elementary schools and both middle schools. This program will run from 6:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
  - The YMCA Child Care is a fee-for-service
  - Most parents qualify for Child Care Consultants subsidies
  - Cheaper than child care downtown because no transportation
  - Those who are not in the program may apply for a scholarship from the YMCA (up to 75% regular rate)
  - Estimate 20-36 students per building (K-6)

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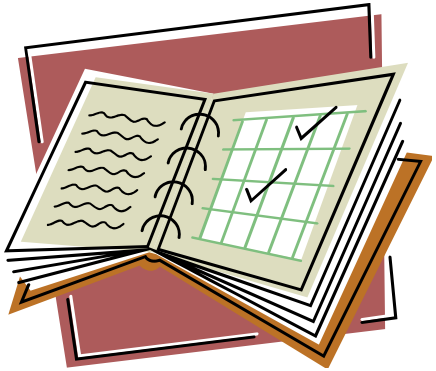
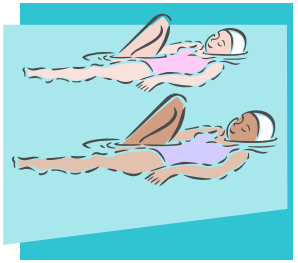




- Middle School
  - 7th Graders – ALL receive FREE membership to YMCA
    - Required to attend 2 sessions a week (at school or downtown facility – T/B/D)
    - Access to all YMCA facilities at any other time if attend required programming

DESIGN and RESPONSIBILITY

- Grades 8-12
  - Strengthening Families
  - Mentoring –Emerging Leaders
  Society of UW/City of York/Chamber?
  - Y-Achievers
    - Model United Nations
    - College and Career
    - Mock PA State Gov't
    - Testing/College Prep

- Project GRAD –
  - Tutoring
  - College Visits
  - Graduation
    Family Involvement
  - Coordinate High
    School programming

PARTNERSHIPS IN ACTION

The group has agreed to support each other's initiatives that support our students and families and strengthen our community:

PARTNERSHIPS IN ACTION

- Martin Library:
  - Assist with library and computer services
  - LEAP into Science Program (application)
  - Summer Reading
  - 21st Century Community Grant (when released – on behalf of our students)
- YMCA
  - Childcare K-6
  - Y-Achievers 7-12
  - Highmark Grant – physical education videos for elementary teachers (applied)
  - PEP Grant- certified PE instructors for YCSD students (reviewing)

PARTNERSHIPS IN ACTION

- CITY OF YORK
  - Health Bureau – Risk Watch program; K-8; Innoculations; Health and Nutrition education
  - Mentors/Speakers' Bureau – City Directors/Managers
  - Collaboration with Police/Fire – student academies programs
- PENN STATE EXT
  - 4-H – Urban Gardening Programming for K-12; $20/class + $1 student
  - Nutrition – all elementary schools – during the day
  - Finance and career education

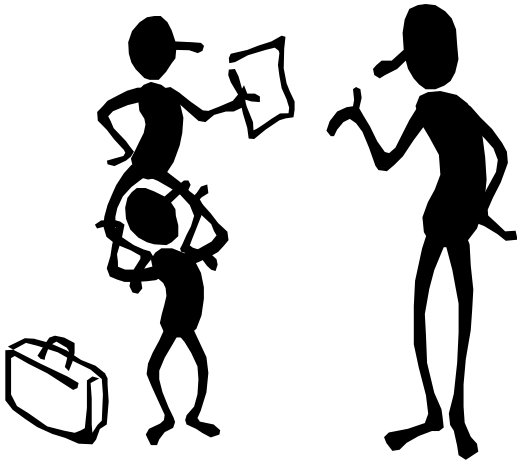
PARTNERSHIPS IN ACTION

- UNITED WAY
  - ATT Grant – 9th Grade Family Involvement
  - Computer center at Jefferson – open to all students and families
  - Bringing UW agencies to table
  - Incorporating use of UW tools (volunteer sign up, etc.)
  - Strengthening Families
  - Promise Neighborhood (reviewing application possibility)
- York City School District
  - Students
  - Collaboration
  - Facilities
  - Supplies (surplus – no money for new)
  - Training
  - Volunteers
    - Assistance for parents to get clearances
    - Staff (unpaid)
    - Community (UW Links)

PARTNERSHIPS IN ACTION

- Project GRAD –
  - Tutoring
  - College Visits
  - Graduation –Family Involvement
  - Coordinate High School programming – work with other groups to implement schedule (every other Wednesday and before/after school)

- NEW PARTNERS?
  - *OTHERS?????*
  - York College – providing students needing service hours as volunteers
  - Faith communities
    - Tutoring
    - Volunteers
    - Resources
  - Salvation Army
    - Tutoring
    - Health/Fitness
  - Junior Achievement
    - Afterschool curriculum – K-12
    - Personal Finance; community service

NEXT STEPS

- Move to firm up the schedule of services
- Determine need /amount of fees for services not covered by grants ($20-$50/student per semester for programming?)
- Apply for additional funding – school district or partners – on behalf of students and their families
- MARKETING, MARKETING, MARKETING!