

"They provide Support Services through a sun school model for all students in non-traditional High School settings. This allows them to have access to services, and resources that can support them in the mission of completing high school and moving on to PSE, or earning sustainable living wage. Students in non-traditional high school settings (who need services more) do not have an after school/out of school program to connect them to services, and resources that promote graduation from high school, and post-Secondary Education." - Board Member Kathy Gordon

STARS provides an after school/out of school (sun school) model for students in alternative school settings. Through many groups (bball, vball, cheer, music group, men's discussion group) we provide an option to the gun violence in today's street life. By making positive resources available. This allows us to build the necessary relationship to be a positive influence on their lives.

Because of different circumstances (financial, Parenting dynamic, Housing issues, academic level) our kids are more vulnerable to the triggers of street life, and without services, and resources our students have less than a 50% chance of being successful in life. "All students deserve the same opportunity to become contributing members of their community" We strive to have a positive effect in these areas.

Gang violence, Incarceration, Teen Dropout rate, Teen pregnancy rate, Recidivism.

The disproportionate number of minorities being expelled from traditional high school settings.

At this time, we are fielding calls from P.O.s, DHS, Mult. County counselors, alternative schools.

STARS is a Huge draw for our at-risk student population. Schools advertise the program as the recreational out let they are a part of.

We are making a change for a handful of kids, but we would like to "widen the gate" and be able to do more intensive mentoring for those who need it.

Currently provided Community service for 10 students this year. We have a working relationship with JDC PO's

80% of STARS students graduate from high School After high school, we continue to support the student in PSE, or entering the work force.

100% of 8th Graders go on to High School.

Most of our students fall in the categories of, Gang affected, Homeless, JDC involvement, DHS/Foster Sys. Academically Challenged..." We practice a strength-based philosophy and we meet each student where they are. Every moment a teaching moment"





starsmentoringprogram.com