

June 2, 2016



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RE: YES Club - Freeport School District 145

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Cole:

THANK YOU for the support, inspiration, and guidance you have provided to a select group of students at Freeport School District 145. The short amount of time you have invested in our students has already reaped benefits. At Lincoln-Douglas Elementary School, thirteen students met with you two times per week since March and their overall number of discipline referrals decreased by 46.5%. At Taylor Park, 29 students met with you and their overall discipline referrals decreased by 71%.

During the brief nine week time period Mrs. Cole and you facilitated the YES! Club, we saw a dramatic positive student response. I can only imagine the positive possibilities for students if the YES! Club consistently provided the guidance, inspiration and role models needed to directly impact current negative influences in their lives.

Because students spend so much time in school, our schools offer a critically important opportunity to ensure that all students get the support and help they need to reach their full potential. Schools that embrace character education become places people want to be because they bring out the best in everyone. YES! Club can help provide this vital opportunity.

I encourage Freeport School District 145, on your behalf, to continue the YES! Club in every building in the District. The YES! Club provides a critical link between the school district and the community. Our students need and deserve the YES! Club!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Deberah Gunnarsson EdS".

Deberah Gunnarsson, EdS  
Brian Lamm, Stacey Kleindl

Jennifer DeJong  
Principals, Freeport School District 145

SCHOOL	grade	gender	race	Aug - March referrals	March - May referrals	% change
LD	4	m	aa	10	1	-90
LD	3	m	c	7	0	-100
LD	3	f	aa	16	2	-87.5
LD	3	m	aa	6	10	66.6
LD	3	m	aa	16	18	12.5
LD	3	f	aa	b	10	150
LD	3	m	aa	23	9	-60.86
LD	3	m	aa	9	5	-44.4
LD	2	f	c	9	4	-55.5
LD	2	m	aa	9	1	-88.8
LD	2	m	aa	1	6	500
LD	2	m	c	6	1	-83.3
LD	2	f	c	2	2	0

SCHOOL	grade	gender	race	Aug 24 - March 17 referrals	March 18 - May 26 referrals	% change
TP	4	M	aa	9	1	-89
TP	1	F	aa	2	0	-100
TP	1	M	h	2	3	0.5
TP	2	F	aa	19	5	-14
TP	4	F	c	6	0	-100
TP	1	M	aa	7	5	-28.5
TP	3	M	c	2	0	-100
TP	1	M	c	19	11	-42
TP	2	M	aa	8	0	-100
TP	2	M	aa	44	7	-84
TP	4	M	aa	5	2	-60
TP	2	M	aa	19	7	-63
TP	4	M	aa	7	4	-43
TP	4	M	aa	12	0	-100
TP	2	F	m-r	9	0	-100
TP	2	M	c	7	2	-71
TP	4	M	aa/b-r	7	1	-86
TP	4	M	aa	5	1	-80
TP	1	M	c	3	0	-100
TP	2	M	aa/b-r	9	3	-67
TP	4	M	aa	5	0	-100
TP	3	M	aa	4	2	-50
TP	2	M	aa/b-r	42	18	-57
TP	2	M	aa/b-r	34	16	-53
TP	2	F	m-r	8	7	-12.5
TP	2	M	c	13	1	-92
TP	3	M	aa	40	8	-80
TP	1	M	aa	2	0	-100
TP	4	M	c	24	3	-87.5