

STAR



Students Teachers And Relationships

Decatur Central High School
Indianapolis, IN

Family Advocacy



- One school adult taking responsibility to help a manageable number of students succeed in school and to engage their families in working towards the same goal.
- Building strong and lasting relationships
- EVERY student is known and cared about by someone in the school

GOALS of STAR



- To build positive relationship between each student and his/her advocate, family and students in the advocacy group
- To build collaborative relationships among school staff who share responsibility for student success
- To support a college-going culture

Family Advocate's Responsibilities



- Meet with your STAR group four times a week for 25 minute classes: 2-3 days to be spent on College Summit Curriculum
- Contact the families of your STAR students at least once a month
- Hold at least two family conferences during the school year
- Meet regularly with your SLC colleagues to share information and monitor students' academic and behavioral progress
- Act as an advocate for your students within the school
- Refer your students/families to the support services they need in school or the community

STAR the CLASS



- One-to-One conferences with students
- Activities and meetings as a group
- College Summit, character building, citizenship, or other curricula required by the school district or selected by the school and/or SLC
- Community forums, town meetings, assemblies, and special events

Working with Families



■ Introductions

- Letters
- Phone Calls
- Emails
- Grade level meetings/workshops
- Monthly Contact
- Student-led Conferences
- Making Referrals

Effective STAR Classrooms



- Make learning activities your own
- Create an appropriate learning environment
- Have support material available
- Computer access
- Use an anonymous Question Box

STAR Standards- 9th-10th Grade



- College Summit Launch Pad Curriculum
- Semester reflection
- Career Inventory
- 2 College visits per year
- 2 Student-led Conferences per year
- STAR Evaluation
- Student Resumes
- Goal-setting activities

STAR Standards- 11th Grade



- Complete one college/tech application
- Reflection of achievements/challenges
- Refine list of post-secondary schools
- Visit at least one college/tech school per semester
- STAR activities
- Complete one outside standardized test
- 2 Student-led conferences
- Goal setting activities
- Student Resume

STAR Standards- 12th Grade



- College Summit
- Reflections of achievements and goals
- Complete and submit at least one applications to college/tech/military
- Apply for scholarships & FAFSA
- STAR activities
- 2 Student-led conferences
- EXIT Interviews with Students & Families

Sr. STAR Weekly Schedule



Mondays- NO STAR- Early Release for professional development

Tuesdays- College Summit Curriculum

Wednesdays-Grade/Attendance Check

Thursdays-College Summit Curriculum

Friday-Fun, Food Fridays! Senior activities, announcements, etc.

College Summit @ DCHS



- Benchmark Dates on Calendar
- Computers available to all students:
Sister STARs
- Peer Leaders meet once a month with
Regionals for a working lunch
- Regionals meet with CS teachers once
a month
- Two CSCs

Making STAR your OWN



■ EDGE

- College Summit/Launch Pad
- Student Peer Leaders
- Resumes
- Community Service
- Class/Community projects
- Senior Exits
- Job Shadowing/Internships
- College Field Trips
- Star Wars

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