

Quarterly Narrative Report FY16

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Strategy Implementation

School Success

In quarter 4, we held one LIFT meeting but the family was a no show. LIFT members did however meet again on April 29th where the TFC Coordinator/LIFT facilitator led a discussion concerning youth that don't qualify for CHINS or LIFT but who desperately need services. We had over 10 partners at the table. Both school superintendents gave valuable feedback. The group decided to form a Toombs County Support Council that would model LIFT meetings but would not be overseen by DBHDD. This council will roll out in FY17.

We hosted a mentor appreciation lunch at the end of April, and nine of our mentors attended. We collected data regarding mentor grades and attendance but that information won't be available until Aug. 23rd.

This completed our 2nd year for the Toombs County! Count 21CCLC and 21st Century of Vidalia, a collaborative effort of the Toombs County School System, Vidalia City School System, and Toombs County Family Connection. In Toombs County, we registered 155 kids in grades 1-8. One hundred fifty of these kids attended more than 30 days. Toombs County program highlights include:

87% of regularly attending students in grades 3-5 (52 of 60 students) achieved Developing Learner or higher in Math. Sixty-three percent of regularly attending students in grades 3-5 (38 of 60) achieved Developing Learner or higher in Reading. Seventy-five percent of our regularly attending students in grades 6-8 (39 of 52 students) achieved Developing Learner or higher in Math. Higher in Math. Seventy-three percent (38 of 52 students) achieved Developing Learner or higher in Reading. The Vidalia 21st Century grant allowed us to register 202 children and 183 of those students attended after school more than 30 days. Some of our program highlights from Vidalia include:

69% of students in grades 3-5 achieved Developing Learner or higher in Math.
 64% of students in grades 3-5 achieved Developing Learner in ELA.
 66% of students in grades 6-8 achieved Developing Learner or higher in Math.
 50% of students in grades 3-5 improved their reading grade by at least one point or maintained an A all year.
 71% of students in grades 3-5 improved their Math grade by at least one point or maintained an A all year.
 66% of students in grades 6-8 increased their reading grade by at least one point or maintained an A all year. 68% of students in grades 6-8 increased their Math grade by at least one point or maintained an A all year. We were so excited about these results!

We also applied for additional 21st Century funds for the summer and were awarded the full \$17,500 for each grant. We used this money to serve more students during our 4 week summer camps. We had an amazing summer with our kids. We registered over 300 kids countywide, and these students had a chance to attend enrichment classes as well as brush up on their academic skills each afternoon. We also brought in various partners (i.e. Wellcare) to provide programming for our kids. We had a very successful year with our Backpack Buddies Program. We ended the year serving 71 children per week with backpacks of weekend food. Counselors collected cards and stories to share with our volunteers and financial supporters. We had parent support group meetings in April and May. Mark Douglas from Pineland Mental Health spoke with 10 parents about Family Support Services. In May, Mitzzi Proffitt from Parent to Parent came to talk about the Medicaid Waiver. Seven adults attended.

In terms of affecting teen pregnancy, Dr. Suzanna Meredith, a local obstetrician, came to speak to our 21st Century middle school students about birth control and pregnancy. We got really positive feedback from parents about this session!