

**Cabell County Youth Empowerment Program**  
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**April 2006 Report**

The first two weeks of April I met with over 20 students who were interested in the Cabell County Youth Empowerment Program. On April 3 through April 13, students came in for an initial interview, took the TABE test, and filled out initial paperwork. Orientation was held for the new students on April 18 in which 15 students attended. Practice GED tests were given to them the first week along with First Aid training and certification. The new class officially started on April 24 with the following students attending:



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| Ebony Lee        | Penny Spears    |
| Shanika Green    | Kristin Martin  |
| Bobby Walker     | Jessica Lawhon  |
| Nicole Hughes    | Jeremy Howerton |
| Stephanie Taylor | Shane Robinson  |
| Bethana Coyner   | Amber Douglas   |
| Brittany Buxton  | Jerome McNeely  |
| Kandyce Rogers   | Dusti Davis     |



I took the following eight students to Putnam County to take their GED exam on Saturday, April 15:

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| Dean Austin  | Brooke Goodall |
| Thomas Boyce | Martha Johnson |
| Marco Cheaib | Ryan Johnson   |
| John DeBerry | Jerry Sowards  |

Matt Dalton went to Putnam County to retake the science portion of the exam. When he passes this, he will receive his GED.

Students continue to work with Read Right to improve their reading levels and comprehension skills. Each student meets with a tutor for approximately an hour twice a week.



Pedro Dejneka, Junior Achievement facilitator, continues to meet with students once a week. They are continuing their success skills curriculum. The students are expected to receive a certificate of completion in May.

Students continue to work on job readiness skills. Ann Hyre, Workforce WV Job Readiness instructor, continues to meet with students every Tuesday. Students are finishing their master applications, cover letters, resumes, thank you notes, and interviewing training. Students will receive a job portfolio next month.

