

Cabell County Youth Empowerment Program
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On August 1, I met with Sgt. James Brewer, Army National Guard recruiter, to discuss the possibility of a partnership between our organizations. They are planning to refer students to us who want to join the military but do not have their GED. Sgt. Brewer and Staff Sgt. Lunt returned on August 9, to meet with students and discuss the possibilities that the Army Reserves has to offer. Seven students have shown interest and scheduled an additional meeting with the recruiters.

On Thursday, August 3, I took the students to the Huntington Junior College for a tour and lunch. Students were able to visit several classrooms and speak to the teachers. They also got to talk with financial and classroom advisors.



On Tuesday, August 8, we had our monitoring visit with Teresa Dailey. The visit went well and Teresa was very pleased with the organization of our files and the maintenance of our MACC entries. The next monitoring visit is scheduled for December 6, 2006.

I assisted Tim with interviews for the Woodshop Instructor on Tuesday, August 8. I also helped with R.O.S.S. Coordinator interviews on August 10 and August 29.

I attended the One Stop Meeting on Wednesday, August 16. There were many agencies that attended to lend their support for the Youth One Stop. A list of services to be provided were discussed along with which agencies could help in this process.

On August 12, I took the following six students to Putnam County for the GED exam:

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| Daniel Austin | Jerome McNeely |
| John DeBerry | Benito Rodriguez |
| Joey Ferrell | Kandyce Rogers |

Ann Hyre continues to work with students on job readiness skills. Ann has focused on helping with resumes and goal development during August. Several of the new students who just started the end of July have already completed their resume. The students have also been working on the Worldwide Interactive Network program to strengthen their skills for the Work Keys test.

Pedro Dejneka met with students throughout the month. They have been discussing what each individual's road to success will be. They have also covered topics such as what their stance is on the war in Iraq and what kinds of things go on in their neighborhood.

Jean Hager, Read Right tutor, continues to work with students on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Kandyce Rogers graduated from the program on August 24.

On August 24, we received notification that both Joey Ferrell and Kandyce Rogers passed the GED exam. Daniel Austin and Johnathan DeBerry both passed the subjects they retested in. The next GED orientation is scheduled for September 7, and the exam will be held on September 13 and 14.

On Monday, August 28, I attended the state set aside MACC training at the RESA center in Nitro. This meeting focused on determining eligibility and recording common measures in the MACC.

We have several students who are on a waiting list for our program. I will be meeting with around 11 potential students on September 12, 2006 to determine their eligibility for the program. I am anticipating that a new GED class will begin towards the end of September.