

“Building Relationships for Educational Success”



What is the *Life Coach Program*?

- It is a grant funded dropout prevention program through the NC General Assembly that is designed to promote students' engagement in school to help reduce the dropout rate.
- The model and training have been provided by the University of Minnesota's research-based Check and Connect Program.



The Life Coach Program is a partnership between.....

- Edenton-Chowan Schools Student Services Department
- John A. Holmes/Chowan Middle
- Parents and Students
- Community



Who does the Life Coach Program serve?

- Students who demonstrate two or more of the following risk factors and/or are identified by the principal as being at high risk of dropping out:
 - Attendance (missed 11 or more days)
 - Academic (failed 2 or more courses)
 - Out-of-school suspensions (2 or more times)
 - Previous retentions (retained 1 or more times)



How many students have been served?

- March 17, 2008 – June 10, 2011



182 students with basic
and intensive services



The Role of a Life Coach

- Monitor attendance and grades
- Work with teachers, administrators, and guidance to help students find success in school
- Encourage and assist parents in making school a priority and keep them updated regarding students' progress
- Assist in finding outreach programs for the students as well as the parents



A day in the life of a life coach

- Phone calls to students reminding them to be on time
- Phone calls to parents regarding attendance issues
- Be present in cafeteria/halls to meet and greet students and to listen/advise regarding the “crisis of the day”
- Send an email to an administrator regarding an office referral
- Make home visit(s) to check with parents to make sure they are following through with student at home
- Check with teachers between class regarding students making up missed work, grades, attendance, etc.
- Meet with students on various issues between classes, at lunch, and/or after school
- Meet with other Life Coaches to plan school engagement activities



Life Coach Sponsored College Tours

- Albemarle Museum
- Chowan College
- East Carolina University
- Elizabeth City State University
- Morgan State University
- Nash Community College
- Norfolk State University
- UNC-Chapel Hill



Life Coach Sponsored School Engagement Activities

- Education Fair
- Family Game Night
- Movie Night
- Breakfast Sale
- Basketball Tournament
- Career Choices Workshop
- End of Year Achievement Banquet

Life Coach Sponsored Incentive Trips

- **NBA Game** – “Anthem Buddies”
Washington Wizards v Charlotte Bobcats
- **NFL Game**
New Orleans Saints v Carolina Panthers
- **Skating/Bowling**



Original Freedom Writer Comes to JAH – Sharaud Moore





Data Analysis

- **S.M.A.R.T. Outcomes**

(Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time Bound)

- All grants recipients were as asked to write up to 3 of the program objectives.
- (1. Academics, 2. Attendance, 3. OSS)

Data Analysis

August 25, 2008 – June 9, 2009
(S.M.A.R.T Outcomes)

SMART Outcome 1 – By the end of spring semester 2010, 80% of students enrolled in the Life Coach Program for a minimum of one semester, who had passed less than 75% of their courses in the semester prior to enrolling in the program will have increased the percentage of courses passed:

53 Students targeted

33 Met Goal (63%)

Data Analysis

August 25, 2008 – June 9, 2009
(S.M.A.R.T Outcomes)

- SMART Outcome 2 – By the end of spring semester 2010, 75% of students enrolled in the Life Coach Program for a minimum of one semester, who were absent 15 or more days the semester prior to enrolling in the program will be absent fewer than 11 days:

45 Students targeted

21 Met Goal (52%)

Data Analysis

August 25, 2008 – June 9, 2009
(S.M.A.R.T Outcomes)

- SMART Outcome 3 – By the end of spring semester 2010, 75% of students enrolled in the Life Coach Program for a minimum of one semester, who had 2 or more OSS in the year prior to enrolling in the program will have fewer out-of-school suspensions in the 2009-2010 school year:

4 Students targeted

2 Met Goal (50%)



Data Analysis

August 25, 2009 – June 10, 2010

- SMART Outcome 1 (Academics)
 - 63 Students targeted
 - 50 Met Goal (79%)

- SMART Outcome 2 (Attendance)
 - 31 students targeted
 - 21 Met Goal (68%)

- SMART Outcome 3 (OSS)
 - 17 students targeted
 - 16 Met Goal (94%)

- Other
 - 22 students targeted
 - 19 Met Goal (86%)



Data Analysis

August 25, 2010 – June 10, 2011

SMART Outcome 1 – Academics

67 Students targeted

61 Met Goal (91%)

SMART Outcome 2 – Attendance

32 Students targeted

23 Met Goal (72%)

SMART Outcome 3 – OSS

18 Students targeted

17 Met Goal (94%)

Other:

24 Students targeted

23 Met Goal (96%)

Data Analysis

182 STUDENTS SERVED

March 2008 – June 10, 2011

- Graduates: 33
- Still in School: 66
- Withdrawals: 83
 - 23 to another school
 - 28 community college
 - 32 attendance

 - 7 returned as of Aug. 2011

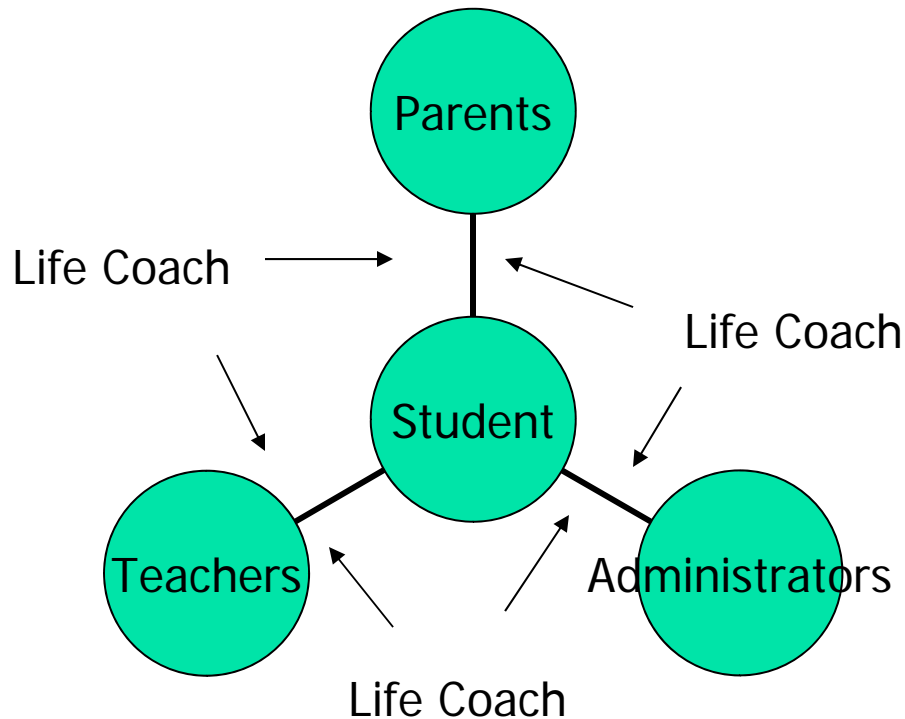


2011-2012 Students

- 107 Students
 - Academic – 75%
 - Attendance – 80%
 - OSS – 93%

- 16/16 Seniors to graduate 2012

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Questions?

