

COMMUNITY CONNECTORS

Success Stories • Period 3

Preparing Barberton City School Students to be College Ready Through Mentorship



End-of-Year Celebration – College Experience

Mentees visited The University of Akron campus in May 2017. They participated in a scavenger hunt around campus, had lunch at Rob's, and even fit in some bowling at the Student Union.

End-of-Year Highlights

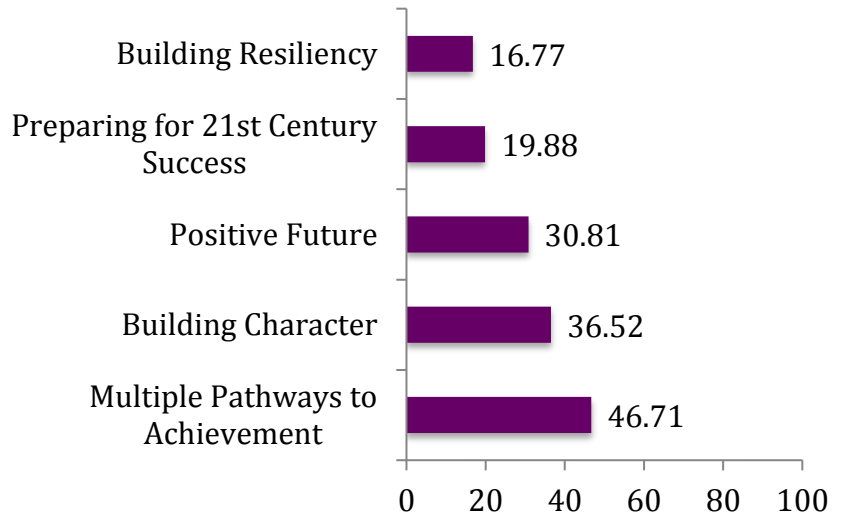
- 94 mentors
- 152 mentees
- 1,274 hours of 1:1 mentoring
- 2,046 hours of group mentoring

THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS!

Mentorship Focused on the Five Core Principles

1611 mentorship sessions were reported during the 2016-17AY

% of sessions focused on one or more of the Community Connector core principles



Community Mentor-Mentee End-of-Year Celebration

Mentees received a University of Akron Zip hat to show their Zippy pride!



Mentees presented their mentors with a "Thanks for keeping me on Target" card as a token of their gratitude

Success Highlights

Mentees reported that their mentors helped them “improve a lot” in the following areas:

- ✓ Being responsible in school
- ✓ Setting goals for school
- ✓ Working hard to do well in school
- ✓ Having a positive attitude about their future

ACT Success Story

A BHS student increased his ACT score by 6 points during the 2016-17AY after his community mentor focused on preparing him for the ACT with 27 hours of mentoring!

Students increased their Student Learning Objective (SLO) score by an average of 35% in U.S. History and 41% in Economics after working with a mentor.

24 of 25 students in U.S. History and 16 of 19 students met or exceeded their target score on the semester exam after working with a university mentor.

Students Improve in Subject-Area Grade Points

Mentees’ social studies grade points statistically significantly improved by .50 points during the time they were mentored in the social studies classroom.

Mentees’ English Language Arts’ grade points were statistically significantly higher by .90 points during the time they were mentored in the ELA classroom compared to when they were not mentored in

Hats off to Tier 3 Community Mentors and Mentees!

Students mentored by Community Mentors statistically significantly increased their cumulative GPA from 2015-16AY from below 2.50 to above 2.50 in 2016-17AY.

Funding Awarded for the 2017-18 Academic Year!

The University of Akron in partnership with Barberton City Schools was awarded \$99k by the Ohio Department of Education to continue funding the Community Connector mentorship initiative for next year!