# House of Teens Syllabus 2019-2020

\*\* Curriculum used throughout the year: Bright Futures, Junior Achievement and Photo Voice

Mondays & Wednesdays: Fitness/ Wellness activities

Tuesdays & Thursdays: College/ Career Development

Fridays (Fun Friday): Youth led activities ( a different teen facilitates and activity each week)

### Monthly Guests/ Enrichment Activities:

- → Monthly visit from CHC on anxiety, depression and any issues regarding mental health
- → Weekly Planned Parenthood visits
- → College/ Career Readiness 2x a week
- → Wellness Wednesdays w/ YWCA Trainer
- → Weekly Photoyoice
- → Monthly or bimonthly visits to CCSU women center

## September:

- Participant Recruitment @ New Britain High School & Satellite Careers Academy
- -Lesson planning
- -Set up and coordinate with guests from Community Health Center (CHC), CCSU, Planned Parenthood (PP), Prudence Crandall, etc.
- -Program start date: 9/24/19

# October:

\*\*Hispanic Heritage Month!

\*\*Domestic Violence Awareness Month!

- \_-Icebreakers, getting to know each other, Teambuilding & pre surveys
- Introduce photo voice and begin brainstorming

### -Special Events:

- → Foster Farms Trip (10/18/19)
- → Lights On Afterschool (10/23/19)
- → YWCA Week without Violence
- → Walk of No Shame at CCSU
- → Monthly CCSU Women Center Visit

#### -Community Service & Fundraisers:

- → Teens provide assistance for Fall Fest set up with Valerie and Cupcake sale
- Coordinate and recruit CCSU tutors and mentors for teens

## November

# - Special Events:

- → Friendsgiving @ Community Center
- → Roller Magic Field Trip (11/15/19)
- → Hartford Stage for select students only (A Christmas Carol)

# -Community Service & Fundraisers:

- → Hat & Mitten Drive
- → Make holiday wreath for mayor's office
- Monthly Activity Themes:
- → Photo Voice: Introduction to new program participants & select photo voice theme
- → College/ Career: Character Development (Identifying skills & values, Strengths)
- Days Off:
- → Veterans Day (11/11/19)
- → Election Day
- → Thanksgiving Break (11/27-11/29)

## December

- \* Early Dismissal (Parent/Teacher Conference) 12/9, 12/10 & 12/11
- Winter Break Off 12/20-12/31

# -Community Service/ Fundraisers:

- Donate items from Hat & mitten drive
- Holiday Gift Wrapping
- 5 Below Fundraiser
- Monthly Activity Themes:
- → Photo Voice: review and select photos
- → College/ Career: Begin resume building & mock interviews, how to choose a college

#### January

# **Start Date** → 1/6/2020

- Flight Trampoline Park Trip (1/17/20)
- Vision Boards, Future Goals (academic & nonacademic)
- End Period Poverty Campaign

- Begin planning annual pasta dinner fundraiser
- Monthly Activity Themes:
- → Photo Voice: create presentation, begin practicing
- → College/ Career: What is your brand/ niche, public speaking, communication

# February:

\*\* Black History Month!

- -No Program on President's Day
  - -Galantine's Day Party (2/14/20)
  - -Fundraiser: Bake Sale
  - SACS guest speaker (Healthy vs. Unhealthy relationships)
- Monthly Activity Themes:
- → Photo Voice: Practice photo voice presentation, choose audience to present in community
- → College/ Career: Job categories, requirement for various fields, Aptitude Test

### March

\*\* Women's History Month!

- Special Events:
- → Annual STRIVE & Teens Sleepover
- → Musical at NBHS

#### **Fundraisers:**

→ Pasta Luncheon @ YWCA Community Center

## **Monthly Activity Themes:**

- → Photo Voice: Present to various audiences in New Britain community
- → College/ Career: College/ Career Jeopardy, job applications, resume, dress code, practice for interviews
- -→ Women's History Activities ( Q& A Famous Women Game, Women Silhouette Canvas)

### **April**

## \*\*Sexual Assault Awareness Month

- Annual Career Day Panel
- Assist with college applications
- -Assist with preparing for summer job applications
- -Spring Break: 4/13- 4/17
- NYC field trip over spring break
- College Campus Tours over break (CCSU, ECSU, UCONN, Southern, CCC)
- Annual Community Center Block Party

# **Monthly Activity Themes:**

- → Photo Voice: Continue presenting to various audiences in New Britain community
- → College/ Career: How to choose a college, choosing a major, study skills. Who to talk to

### May:

- -Post Surveys & House of Teens reflections
  - End of year Trip (5/9/20)
  - Teens in Memorial Day Parade

# **Monthly Activity Themes:**

- → Photo Voice: Continue presenting to various audiences in New Britain community and reflect on the year.
- → College/ Career: Recap/ reflect on entire program year, assist seniors with anything they need for college/ career are graduation.

### June:

- Program ends first week of June
- NBHS Graduation
- Satellite Careers Academy Graduation