

63RD CONFERENCE ON EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

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“GOT BEHAVIORS?”



BUILDING MENTOR RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN SURPRISING RESOURCES





THE TIER 3 STUDENT



Tertiary (FEW)

- Reduced complications, intensity, severity of current cases



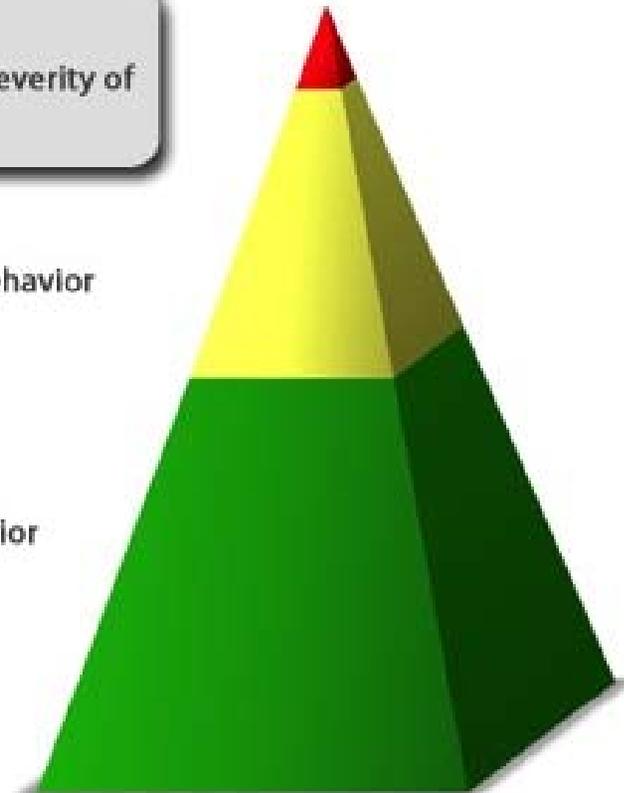
Secondary (SOME)

- Reduce current cases of problem behavior



Primary (ALL)

- Reduce new cases of problem behavior

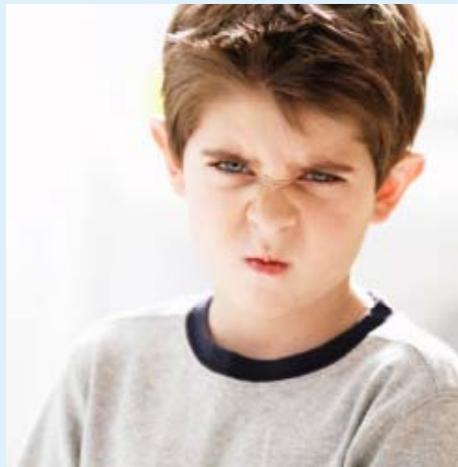




Early Intervention?

- Target our rising 6th graders
- Examine elementary successes and challenges with each student
- Begin the year with the end in mind
- BRAINSTORM

Quickly!





A Hero In A Different Uniform

- Spring of 2012 – Our School Resource Officer brings an idea of Kids and Cops summer program from our Sheriff Dwayne Goodwin to the table – Can you say HERO?
- What kids would it serve?
- PBIS – Tier 3 + Positive Role Models! =
- A great way to introduce Law Enforcement in a positive setting forming bonds.



NOW - The Work Begins

- Funding?
- Manpower?
- How would we conduct the program?
- Where would be conduct the program?
- And many more.....



Collaboration and Team Work

Partnerships formed:

- Chowan County Sheriff's Office
- 4-H
- Chowan Middle School
- Edenton Chowan Public Schools





AND IT GREW!

- Other Law Enforcement volunteered including the Town of Edenton's Police Dept. and Local State Highway Patrol
- Emergency Medical Management
- Civic Organizations, churches, businesses
- AND of course our Chowan Sherriff's dept.



AND Grew...

- ECPS Superintendent committed buses to pick up the students attending and transport on the field trips.
- Our Principal Tanya Turner committed the administration would participate and help with the program supervision.
- Civic organizations and churches committed to serve meals.



PLAN – A summer camp at CMS? Are you sure?

- It was decided that we would have a week long summer camp for the students that were selected.
- Much preparation and time was put into the plan by our school's Dept. Ricky and the Sherriff's dept., 4-H sponsors and our Administration.



How to select the campers?

- Contacted our local elementary school and asked them to give us their “best” Tier 3 students to invite...along with any others they felt would benefit.
- Invitations were sent in May and students were notified of the camp and dates and returned them before school ended.





What about mentors?

- It was decided to use 8th graders as mentors.
- An interest meeting was held and the SRO and Counselor met with the students.
- We had applications from 20 students.

There were 10 selected:





Camp Week

- From August 6-10, 2012, Kids and Cops had 59 volunteers
- 747 volunteer hours were logged
- A total volunteer value of \$15,127.00
- Chowan County Sheriff's Office logged 15 volunteers with 322 hours of time volunteered for the program
- An estimated total value of \$38,268.00



Activities for the Week:

- Fishing
- Canoeing
- Obstacle Course on the Police Officer's Physical Abilities Test
- Kids and Cops Basketball game
- Cookout & Overnight camping
- Bridging ceremony



Picts, picts & more





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Data = Success

- 90% of the kids that participated in the Kids and Cops program, were identified as students that may present disciplinary problems (Tier 3) for the staff when they became students at the middle school.
- To date, NONE of these kids have met this “expectation.” Some of them have even become mentors!



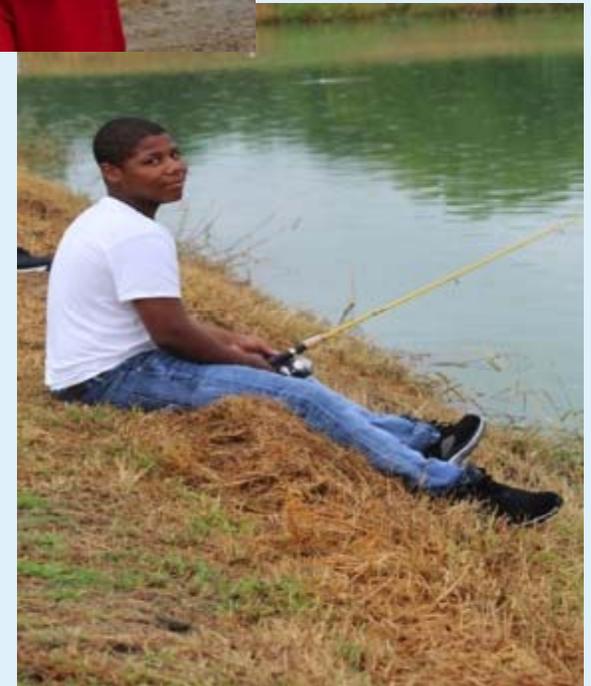
It worked so well last year – we did it again!

















2013 Kids and Cops = SUCCESS!

- Some of the same activities and a few more.
- Kids helped with a 5 K run.
- They participated in the Christmas Parade and other community events.
- They have become the servers instead of being served.



A New Found Connection

- Each police officer chose to “adopt” one of our students because they saw a need to make an impact on the life of a young person before they saw them on the other side of the law.
- Many of the students had no influential adult in their life and these officers filled that role.



More to the story...

- Many of the officers come out to eat lunch with their students, check on their grades and watch their progress.
- AND our hero, Dept. Ricky has won the confidence and trust of our students and they see him as a mentor and guide.



Who would have ever guessed?

- Without the “Cops” our students would have just been “Kids” that fell through the crack and sat on the top of the pyramid.
- Without the “Kids” our law enforcement would have only been “Cops” that met our students after they went wrong.

KIDS AND COPS

WHAT A GREAT COMBINATION!



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Chowan Middle School – Kids and Cops Program contact sheet.

We would love to share information with your on our program and the “nuts and bolts” of how it all came together. Here is our contact info:

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It really does work – placing a mentor for accountability in the lives of those tier 3 students gives them one more person on their educational team.