## TOP Teen Outreach WYMAN Program



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# WELCOME BACK & HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We hope you all had a wonderful winter break and were able to catch up on rest and have lots of fun! The FFSD TOP team is so excited to see your faces again. We practiced so many different social and emotional learning skills in the Fall while also supporting our community. We can't wait to continue learning & practicing, making a difference in our community, and of course having fun together!

We're already off to a fantastic start this semester! Our first week back, we began with a fun game of BINGO to find out what everyone did over break and to get back into the swing of school! Then, we explored the social and emotional changes that happen in middle school. Students supported their peers in TOP at Johnson Wabash 6th Grade Center by creating positive journals they can use to navigate all those social and emotional changes that are taking place! JW TOP students also sent our students journals!





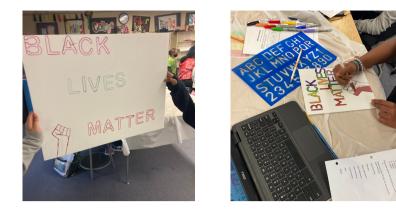
"The best part about TOP is that we can be ourselves and tell the facilitators how we feel." - TOP Representatives

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### **CSL FRIDAYS** FIELD TRIPS (WITH A TWIST)

While it was disappointing we couldn't go on field trips last semester due to COVID-19, that didn't stop TOP students from completing a bunch of Community Service Learning (CSL) hours!



Since we couldn't go off-site, we made the best out of a difficult situation and brought the field trips to Wedgwood 6th Grade Center instead! In addition to the projects students made during TOP Club to support different groups in the community, TOP students also got to participate in CSL Fridays! Our CSL Fridays started off by learning what advocacy means and what it means to advocate for someone or something. Students chose an issue that's important to them to be the focus of their advocacy projects. Then students got to create either a yard sign or paint a canvas to speak up about the topic they chose! Check out all their hard work!



## **SPRING 2022**

There are so many exciting things planned for the spring semester, including a lot more Community Service Learning! Before winter break, we asked TOP students what they wanted to talk about during the spring semester and what groups they wanted to help through community service. TOP students at Wedgwood will have the chance to talk about all kinds of relationships including friends and family, practice additional communication strategies, and work on setting goals and envisioning their future! TOP students will also be doing CSL projects to support teachers, older adults and the environment! We can't wait to see how students continue to grow and develop their leadership skills this semester!