## A SPRING RIDE WITH TOP





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81% of TOP participants attended 10 or more sessions of TOP clubs

80% of TOP participants have reached 7 or more CSL hours



## FALL '23 TOP 8TH GRADERS

The BWMS TOP team would like to recognize the following students for extraordinary participation in TOP during the Fall semester:

8 Club 1 | Makayla Isom - Makayla because she is one of the most involved students in the class. She is eager to participate in the lessons and exemplifies what a TOP teen is. Makayla is always engaged, respectful, helpful, and eager to learn skills in TOP club.
8 Club 2 | Hallel Arnow - Hallel is the definition of a premier TOP participant. She is always engaged in lessons and very creative during CSL projects. Hallel also does not mind assisting her classmates when

8 Club 3| Jadah Batchman -Jadah takes initiative in club. Jadah has an outgoing spirit and loves to support her peers. This semester, Jadah has proven herself to be a natural born leader and an outstanding scholar. Not only does she effortlessly lead her peers, but she also has shown that she is committed to Brittany Woods 4C expectations.

8 Club 4 | Dzarea Brown - Exemplifies what being a TOP teen is. She is a self-starter who likes to help others in class. She is always willing to be the first to volunteer and participate in club activities.

## THE LAST RIDE WITH 8TH GRADERS

IN THEIR LAST SEMSTER OF TOP, 8TH GRADE STUDENTS WILL TAKE PART IN MANY ENGAGING ACTIVTIES THAT WILL GIVE THEM A GREAT DEAL OF HIGH SCHOOL READINESS. AS 8TH GRADERS MOVE INTO THEIR FRESHMAN YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, COMMUNICATING WILL BE IMPORTANT. THEREFORE, STUDENTS WILL LEARN WHAT ASSERTIVE COMMUNICATION LOOKS LIKE AS WELL AS HOW TO ADVOCATE FOR THEMSELVES ALL WHILE BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS. THROUGH THE TOP SEXUAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM, STUDENTS WILL GET LESSONS ON SEXUAL HEALTH MYTHS AND FACTS AS WELL AS ABSTINENCE. TEENS WILL EXAMINE TEEN PARENTHOOD BY CARING FOR A MAKE BELIEVE BABY'S DAY TO DAY NEEDS. TOP FACILITATORS WILL ALSO HELP 8TH GRADERS SET CAREER GOALS. YOUNG PEOPLE WILL PARTICIPATE IN MOCK INTERVIEWS AND A CAREER FAIR LED BY TOP STAFF. FACILITATORS WILL ALSO INTRODUCE ENTREPRENEURSHIP TO 8TH GRADE CLUBS. STUDENTS WILL GET TO COME UP WITH A BUSINESS AND A BUSINESS PLAN.

8TH GRADE BUSINESS OWNERS WILL THEN BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO SELL THEIR BUSINESS

TO CLOSE OUT THE THE SEMESTER, TOP WILL ENGAGE IN CONVERSTAION WITH YOUTH ABOUT GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION IN THE U-CITY COMMUNITY.



Entrepreneurship

Gun Violence Prevention

Sexual Health

☑ Communication

Career Readiness

Emotions and Actions

Examining Teen
Parenthood

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## INTENTIONAL IMPACT FOR 6TH & 7TH GRADERS

At Brittany Woods Middle School, the TOP team has begun to make impactful changes to the services we provide to our young people. This spring, TOP will make weekly changes to the TOP news board, rotate students for TOP student of the week, and incorporate up to date trending topics all within the TOP curriculum. Now that students have experienced what TOP can be during the fall, our goal is to maximize TOP's experience to its fullest potential. This includes engaging & competitive activities, physical activity, and technology usage for our students. For 6th and 7th grade curriculum, the semester will consist of sexual health and development lessons, identity development, and personal and professional goal setting. Our goal is to equip our young people with SEL skills that put them ahead of the curve with dealing with adversities in life. It is vital for TOP facilitators to collaborate with these 6th and 7th graders as they retain life skills at the early ages of 11, 12, and 13.



ONE OF THE PILLARS OF TOP PROGRAMMING IS TO ENSURE 75% OF ITS PARTICIPANTS REACH 20 COMMUNITY SERVICE-LEARNING HOURS BY THE END OF THE PROGRAMMING YEAR. THESE 20 HOURS ARE A COMBINATION OF BOTH INDIRECT AND DIRECT COMMUNITY SERVICE AS WELL AS CIVIC ACTION PROJECTS. FACILITATORS WILL OFFER 10 INDIRECT & CIVIC ACTION CSL HOURS AND 3 DIRECT. INDIRECT & CIVIC ACTION HOURS ARE COUPLED WITH TOP LESSONS AND WILL CONSIST OF ENGAGING IN CLUB PROJECTS THAT ARE USEFUL TO THE U- CITY COMMUNITY AND SURROUNDING AREAS. DIRECT CSL HOURS WILL ALLOW OUR YOUNG PEOPLE TO GO INTO THE COMMUNITY AND PROVIDE SERVICES IN THE MOMENT. TOP WILL ARRANGE OFF CAMPUS FIELD TRIPS THAT WILL OCCUR IN LATE MARCH TO EARLY APRIL.

THIS SPRING, WE WILL ALSO CHALLENGE OUR TOP PARTICIPANTS TO GAIN INDEPENDENT CSL HOURS IN WHICH THEY PROVIDE DIRECT SERVICES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY THAT IS NOT OFFERED BY TOP. THESE HOURS CAN BE ACHIEVED DURING OUT OF SCHOOL TIME AND WITH HELP FROM FAMILY AND FRIENDS. TOP FACILITATORS WILL KEEP TRACK OF THE HOURS AND HONOR STUDENTS THAT REACH THIS AMAZING ACCOMPLISHMENT.

BWMS TOP INDEPENDENT CSL CHALLENGE HOURS:

6TH GRADE - 4 HRS

7TH GRADE - 6 HRS

8TH GRADE - 8 HRS





