Beyond School Walls Workplace Mentoring Impact

Outcomes for Littles matched at Chase Bank:

During the 2010-2011 school year, students from Ed Cody Elementary School were paired with volunteer mentors from Chase Bank in "Beyond School Walls," BBBS' workplace mentoring program.

Of the 24 students in the program:

- 20 improved their reading scores on the 2011 Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) from the previous year, many by as much as 100 points
- 6 of the students were commended for their performance (compared to none the year before being mentored).
- In the 2011 TAKS math scores, 20 of the 24 students improved their scores* (3 students did not have scores from the previous year available to compare).
- 9 students mentored by Chase mentors were rated commendable for their Math TAKS performance.

Clearly the students in the mentoring program have made significant gains in their TAKS performances over the past year.

Based on Program-Based Outcome Evaluation (POE) surveys completed by the students' teachers, 96% improved their academic performance from the previous year and the school counselor confirmed that every student in the Beyond School Walls program advanced to the next grade.

- 83% improved their attitudes toward school
- 71% improved their classroom behavior
- \bullet 79% improved their class participation.

According to POE surveys completed by Chase mentors:

- 93% of students improved their attitudes toward school over the year they were mentored
- \bullet 95% of students improved their self-confidence
- 96% demonstrated a positive sense of the future

Volunteer Feedback:

Chantelle Ellis, Chase Employee: "I love this program because it gives people like me an opportunity to volunteer while juggling a lot of other commitments. Like many other volunteers in the BSW program, I have little kids of my own and a community-based match is not something I can commit to at this time, even though I would love to. This program has afforded me the ability to participate in a program that I have always admired but have not been able to join."

Tony Cooper, Chase Employee: "The time I spent with Maurice was valuable and we learned a lot from each other. He is always willing to help others, the mark a of good leader!"

Mike Lauinger, Chase Card Services: "Spending time with my little was a wonderful experience. We enjoy our interactions, have a lot of fun together and hopefully learn something from each other." "Thanks to BBBS and to Chase for putting together this wonderful partnership."

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