

Mayor's Youth Council Meeting –October 21, 2008

From 6-7:05 pm: I. Michelle Newell and Dr. Worthington

- Speaking on 100% graduation program
 - The program looks at the community as a whole and how to make it work (get the community to turn out an economic benefit).
 - The graduation percentage increases every year (national rate is 70%).
 - There are currently about 29,000 students in the community.
- * One of the program options available is something called virtual high school, where a student can gain their diploma online.
- Prisons are based on a third grade reading level (this is due to the fact that 70% of state inmates are high school drop outs).
 - Ways to help: older students can serve as a mentor, an encouragement, etc.

II. General Meeting

Mentioned 4 study topics:

- a) teen places
- b) going green
- c) peer mentoring
- d) community built playground/ family day, etc.

(also talked about various ways to get in contact with each other)

-Christmas on the Cumberland=

November 25 grand opening (Tuesday night from 5:35-8:30)

prices on containers and beverages were discussed (4 water heaters for \$100)

-We made \$125.00 at last years event.

-decided that those who worked would bring various baked goods

-sent around sign out sheet

III. We then adjourned to talk amidst our various discussion groups, and left about twenty minutes till 8:00 pm