



North Carolina Life Changing Experiences School Program

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Children and Parent Resource Group, Inc. has successfully implemented and assessed the impact of the Life Changing Experiences (LCE) School Programs during the academic year 2023-2024. These multi-sensory programs, designed for students in grades six through eleven, are being implemented across various local school counties including Cleveland County Schools, Greene County Schools, Lenoir County Public Schools, Lincoln County Schools, McDowell County Schools, Mitchell County Schools, and Pitt County Schools. Utilizing interactive, holistic, and evidence-based multimedia educational modules, these programs are being presented to students through in-person school assemblies.

The programs include theme-specific programs that address dangerous life and community threatening activities that negatively impact teenagers, including alcohol and other drugs, dangerous driving, violence, and bullying. The goal of these programs is to increase positive intentions and behavioral outcomes by teaching students the techniques and skills that empower them to reach meaningful life goals, employ positive behaviors, and start businesses and social enterprises. The overarching objective is to cultivate positive intentions and behavioral outcomes among students by equipping them with the necessary techniques and skills to pursue meaningful life goals, adopt positive behaviors, and even explore avenues for entrepreneurship and social enterprise.

The project's goals extend beyond the school environment, aiming to foster community awareness regarding the critical social issues confronting today's youth. Furthermore, the initiative seeks to facilitate the screening of intervention and prevention programs within schools at no cost to students, thus ensuring accessibility and equity in accessing these vital resources. Concurrently, ongoing research endeavors are being undertaken to evaluate the effectiveness of the program in achieving its intended outcomes.

Children and Parent Resource Group, Inc. has made significant strides in implementing the Cinema Drive program, having already reached nearly 100 students in Johnston County. With plans to reach over 2,000 students in Carteret County, Gaston County, Buncombe County, Onslow County, Guilford County, Person County, Pitt County, and Rockingham County, the organization remains committed to its mission. Preliminary data and feedback from participants thus far are indicative of positive outcomes, mirroring previous successes observed. A comprehensive report detailing the findings and insights gleaned from the program's implementation is forthcoming.