

HENRY STREET SETTLEMENT EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT SERVICES THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2016

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ❖ In YAIP, Ashley Martinez and Imani Walton have been offered employment upon completion of their internship. They will be hired as School Aides for PS 137 by University Settlement.
- This week at BLS was extremely busy. All three AIDP Social Work interns started this week and began meeting with students and running groups. All part-time staff was hired to run 21st Century programming, which will include Computer Science, Theater, Cosmetology, Film, and Music Production. We continued with planning for the implementation of Academic Parent Teacher Team conferences for this year and met with staff to begin planning for the first parent workshop. The PGC Peer Leaders left for their three-day retreat to Frost Valley today, and will engage in three intensive days of activities and social/emotional skill building to get them ready to outreach their 9th graders beginning next week. Three of our PGC students found out yesterday that they have made it to the final round of POSSE, which is very exciting news for us.
- The big highlight of the week for College Success is learning about the amazing transition Alexander Lu made into college life at Stony Brook University. In addition, eighty-seven of ninety Abrons/Aranow scholars have submitted documents to receive their fall semester scholarship. All seven Tannenbaum and three Sobie scholars were also accounted for by the end of this week.
- ❖ The ESOL Basics class started a unit on neighborhoods by learning vocabulary for places and things found in a neighborhood, and looking at the New York City subway map for the names of different neighborhoods in the City. The ESL-Job Readiness program helped three jobseekers find work this week. One of the job seekers has been looking for over 6 months and finally found a job in a hotel paying over \$18/hour!
- ❖ This week at JET, Client LP came into the center on with a 10-day eviction notice. With no source of income, he was desperate to find a job so he could start paying rent. LP attended JET workshops, was very receptive to coaching, and spent his days tirelessly preparing for interviews with his EC. With two days left before his eviction date, he was hired as a Building Superintendent, with housing included, and was able to move-in the same day.
- ❖ This week at Orchard Collegiate Academy (OCA) we welcomed our new Social Work Interns who were busy meeting our new students and preparing for the start of our Freshman Success Program, which will launch on Monday. In addition, we hosted our first Community School Team Meeting of the new school year, bringing together key stakeholders in the school to discuss the vision, goals, and programming for this year and to plan for our upcoming Family Night. Student government elections have been ramping up and students have launched engaging campaigns.
- Last Friday, a very timid and nervous student showed up, a day late, insisting on "starting" Tuesday; she cried at the suggestion of staying for class that day. We told her to call us as soon as she arrived Tuesday morning. When she arrived Tuesday morning, we helped her buy uniform shirts, explained her schedule and checked in with her throughout the day. We did a celebratory dance when the day was over. In the past few days, she has made some friends and is clearly starting to feel more comfortable.
- ❖ This week in 301 Sports and Recreation, Coach Secrett Stubblefield invited four of our players to a work out with the Asphalt Green 14 and Under AAU. All four participants brought much needed diversity, as well as toughness that the team lacked, earning all four the right to be welcomed to the teams 15 man roster.
- ❖ The International Contemporary Ensemble(ICE) currently in residency at the Abrons Art Center performed for the students in the Gym at 301 Henry Street on Friday. As students gathered in the gym, each musician released a quick, unexpected sound from their instruments. The students were in an uproar, laughing at the humorous and unusual sounds, and then quickly became quiet in anticipation of the next note. Each of the four musicians introduced themselves and their wind instruments, and exemplified the sounds of each instrument and the way that the sound is created with breath.

- This week at MCS, we had our first half day program of the 2016-2017 school year. The half day was a marathon of activities which included athletics, arts and crafts, and the beginning of our Cycle 1 themed projects. The students of Unit 3 began an "All About Learning" activity where they shared their future career goals. They then reflected on how to achieve these goals and created an educational milestone checklist to help them keep focused throughout the school year. Unit 1 boosted the self-esteem of their students with a royalty day. Unit 2 continued to work on their teambuilding by playing games to improve their communication.
- This week SONYC celebrated with students as we offered a Middle School Invitation Party for students. Each current after-school participant could bring a friend. We had music, food, drinks and an ice cream shop for students. We also had a photo booth with props for crazy friends and open gym for the basketball players.
- ❖ This week PS 20 kicked off our first week of After-School. Welcoming returning and new faces to our program, the staff was all ready and on board to make the first week a memorable one. All units engaged in fun ice breakers, team building activities, and finalized their group promises to set the tone for this upcoming year. Also, our Leaders and Specialists are prepared to introduce next week's "Dad Take Your Child to School Day" and have their fun arts and craft activities in place.
- ❖ After-School got off to a great start at PS 134 with many returning after-school staff members and a participant enrollment of 97%. We then ended the week with 100% participant enrollment. After being greeted with a big warm welcome, participants in each group were excited to be back together again in after-school in a new grade, as they spent this first week getting to know each other and creating comfortable and friendly classroom environments through a series of art projects, teambuilding activities and bully prevention strategies.
- ❖ This week After-School at BGR and Jacob Riis started with a BANG! Both sites welcomed new and returning faces and the kids were excited as ever. Students spent this week learning their routines, going over group promises and playing different games that got them learning about each other and the Henry Street After-School culture.

UPCOMING EVENTS

*	September 19	21 st Century Program Launches Freshmen Success Kickoff Party Counselor Advocates Begin		BLS OCA AGL
*	September 20	DAPC Meeting Dad Take Your Child to School Day Early Childhood Parent Orientation YAIP Education Day Success Planning Meeting Club Day Launch	930AM 1030AM	301 WDC 301 AGL
*	September 21	YAIP Education Day Girls On The Run Launches	930AM	WDC PS 134
*	September 22	Early Dismissal	5PM	PS 134
*	September 23	ESL Orientation Student Government Speeches	1PM	WDC OCA
*	September 28	BLS Family Night	530PM	BLS
*	September 29	OCA Family Night	430 PM	OCA
*	September 30	ECC Community Sing and Read Day		301
*	October 1	Sol Lain Flag Football Opening Day		Seward Park
*	October 5	Up2Us Sports/Coach Across America Event		301
*	October 10	Stony Brook College Access and Success Trip		
*	October 13	Hispanic Heritage Month Sharing		PS 134

❖ November 1 College Success Fall Newsletter Release