

HVERFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL

Young Minds Change Lives (YMCL) Club

YMCL

- We are 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students at Haverford Middle School
- We have a faculty sponsor, Ms. Stump, and an administrative sponsor, Mr. Horan.
- Recent events, regarding some of the issues we are passionate about, have compelled us to organize YMCL.

PURPOSE

YMCL's purpose is to collaborate with the school district and the middle school to focus on student advocacy issues. We want to create awareness, an open dialog, host regular events, help people, and most importantly ensure that our school community hears our voice.

STUDENT ADVOCACY ISSUES

The following student advocacy issues are what we believe our school community is concerned about:

School Safety

Belongingness

Gender Identity

Racial Identity

Bullying

Drug & Alcohol use

Ensuring that we have a welcoming school for all

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

We literally started our club a few weeks ago. We have had a few planning meetings with Ms. Stump and Mr. Horan and held our first club interest meeting last week.

We organized an afterschool event for April 20th to mourn the lives lost from school shootings and to give people the chance to express their feelings.

We will be helping the DCIU with their annual Delaware County Making A Difference Awards Night on April 24th.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

We also plan to:

- Help plan the Student Wellness Day for 6th & 7th graders scheduled for May 4, 2018. The focus for the Student Wellness Day will be student advocacy
- Create a Comment Wall in the cafeteria to pose important student advocacy questions/issues and allow staff and students to share their feelings
- Develop a calendar and dedicate a student advocacy issue for each month of the school year. We will create communication, events, and support for each monthly issue.
- Establish a social media presence

APRIL 20TH EVENT

- Friday, April 20th @ 2:40 PM
- We will meet on the track near the snack shack
- We will quietly walk for 17 minutes around the track
- We will meet on the home side bleachers closest to the high school and listen to student speeches

THANK YOU!

We wanted to thank you for allowing us to present to you, supporting and caring for us, and taking the issues that we are concerned about seriously.