

Neighborhood Learning Alliance: College in High School Initiative



CCAC Summer 2017



Carlow University Summer 2017

About Neighborhood Learning Alliance

Mission: To improve the education and opportunities of African-American and lower income families through strategic partnerships with community and faith-based organizations.

Programs:

Little Learning Warriors – 700 elementary

Middle Warriors – 125 students

College in High School – 87 students

Credit Recovery – 250 students

Reading & Tech Warriors – 75 students

Math Geniuses – 40 students

Summer Youth Employment– 165 students



Vision: We envision thriving children, families, and communities anchored by a network of accountable, collaborative community, educational, and faith organizations.

College in High School Background

Summer 2016

- Partnership with Carlow University
- Partnership with Partner for Work
- Human Resources Management Course
- 22 students participated
- 22 passed



Summer 2017

- Partnership with Carlow University, 65 Students
- Courses: Intro to Nursing, Critical Thinking, & Adolescent Psychology
- New partnership with Pittsburgh Perry and CCAC, 22 Students
- English 101 course

10 Ingredients to Success – 1-5

1. A Great School Partner
2. Amazing Young People
3. Buy-in and flexibility of college/university partner
4. Leadership from all institutions involved
5. Supportive community partnerships



10 Ingredients to Success – 6-10

6. **Mandatory tutoring built into model**
7. **Positive, caring relationships developed between students and staff**
8. **Paid internship opportunities**
9. **Classes dedicated to participating students**
10. **Someone at the College/University who can help you navigate the system**



CCAC and Pittsburgh Perry High School

Program Snapshot

22 students enrolled
20 students completed

17 earned English 101 credits
2 earned English 100 credits
1 Failed (because of Absenteeism)

Pre-Test Placement Test Results

English 089- 9 Students

English 100 - 10 Students

English 101- 2 Students

*** Note 1 student did not take test**

17 Passed English 101

A - 6 Students

B - 7 Students

C - 4 Students

E – 1 Student

English 100 – 2 Students earned Cs

Conclusion: Placement test was not a predictor of grade!