

# Community Partnerships



Metropolitan School District of  
Warren Township



*McKinney-Vento Grant Initiative*



# Academic Growth and Recovery

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## P.A.R.T. Program



Parent Accountability to Reduce Truancy is a program provided in conjunction with the Marion County Prosecutor's Office. It is a pre-charging/diversion, voluntary prevention program for parents of elementary, intermediate academy, and middle school students that are habitually truant from school due to homelessness and other reasons. The panel of experts will provide information to parents regarding how to build positive relationships with their child's school and what rights and services are available at the school level. The panelists consist of representatives from the:

**Marion County Prosecutor's Office,  
Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department,  
Indiana Department of Education,  
Butler University and the  
Indiana Department of Child Services.**

## Funding

Funding for the program is provided by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Initiative grant. The program will have a total of four teachers from the elementary, Intermediate, and middle schools.



## High School Organizations' Mentorship

Students in several of Warren Central High School's clubs have come forward and expressed a desire to assist in the growth and development of the elementary, intermediate and middle school students. A list of the high school's organizations involved are listed below:

### High School Student Organizations:

1. Class Act
2. Warrior Alliance
3. Distinguished Gentlemen
4. Walker Career Center Leadership Council
5. National Honor Society
6. Art Honor Society
7. Family Careers and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)

## Academic Growth and Recovery



Academic Growth and Recovery (AGR) Program is an educational related resource that works in collaboration with educators, mental health specialist, and other community agencies to design customized programs and interventions for students and families in the Warren community. AGR aims to raise the graduation rate and decrease the number of absences, suspensions and drop outs in the Metropolitan School District of Warren Township. AGR offers remediation and assistance in the areas of English, Math, and Science. AGR also offers assistance in the area of credit recovery to give students extra assistance. Mental health advocates, school safety officers and a plethora of community support systems will be available to offer guidance. Sessions offered in AGR are described in the following pages.

## Social Skills Workshops

The Academic Growth and Recovery Program provides social skill workshops designed to help students develop interpersonal skills that will increase their ability to work effectively with others. The workshops will be led by social workers, counselors, and teachers.

Social skills workshops focus on building students' trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship.



Anger is always a defense against vulnerable thoughts and emotional experiences. In addition to teaching ways to manage students' anger when it arises, the program also helps students learn to better identify, manage, and express vulnerable thoughts and emotions. The program will focus on sharing the students' pain, disappointments, fears, and worries individually and with group members.



## Parent/Guardian Support

### Parent Component:

There will be a parent/guardian workshop at the beginning of each Saturday AGR event. The workshop will inform parent(s)/guardian(s) of upcoming programs and events, connect Warren families with community resources and assist in opening up communication between parent(s)/guardian(s) and the school.

- **Parent expectations:** Parents will be required to attend one parent meeting with the Academic Growth and Recovery Program. It will last approximately one hour. Parents will be allowed to attend classes with their child after the meeting.
- **Student expectations:** The students will be required to attend two Saturday sessions with the Academic Growth and Recovery Program. Sessions begin at 9:00 AM and end at 12:00 PM. During this time the students will be provided with breakfast and lunch.
- Each parent will sign a contract agreeing to the terms set forth by the Prosecutor's Office.



## Intermediate and Middle School Schedule

Time	Topic
9:00-9:30	Breakfast (W301), check-in at door 70
9:30-10:00	Academic Assistance (F103)
10:00-10:30	Academic Assistance (F104)
10:30-11:00	Academic Assistance (Middle room between F104/ F103)
11:00-11:15	Lunch Break
11:15-12:00	Social Skills
12:00PM	Pick up at door 70

The students will be at the Walker Career Center from 9:00 AM- 12:00 PM. The students will receive one hour of academic assistance in the area of Math, Science or English. These sessions will be in cycle rotation.. Please refer to the table below:

January 16: Math	March 12: Math
January 23: English	April 9: English
February 13: Science	April 16: Science
February 20: English	May 7: Math
March 5: Science	May 14: English

## The Program Outline

**Program sessions will occur on Saturdays:**

January 16, 2016	March 12, 2016
January 23, 2016	April 9, 2016
February 13, 2016	April 16, 2016
February 20, 2016	May 7, 2016
March 5, 2016	May 14, 2016

The pilot program will serve sixteen students, one from each elementary school, two from each intermediate school, and one from each middle school. An individual who is habitually truant has 10 or more unexcused absences.



## Student Referral Process and Dates

### Target Dates:

- ♦ Students can be referred to the AGR program by teachers, deans, counselors, and/or parents/guardians.
- ♦ The referrals for the program have to be submitted by the Monday before the Saturday Academic Growth and Recovery Program.
- ♦ **Bolded dates** are the cut off date for referrals for that particular Saturday.

January 16 ( <b>January 11th</b> )	March 12 ( <b>March 7th</b> )
January 23 ( <b>January 15th</b> )	April 9 ( <b>March 17th</b> )
February 13 ( <b>February 8th</b> )	April 16 ( <b>April 11th</b> )
February 20 ( <b>February 15th</b> )	May 7 ( <b>May 2nd</b> )
March 5 ( <b>February 29th</b> )	May 14 ( <b>May 9th</b> )

## Elementary School Student Schedule

Time	Topic
9:00-9:30	Breakfast (W301), check-in at door 70
9:30-9:50	Academic Assistance (Session 1) (W317)
9:55-10:15	Academic Assistance (Session 2) (W311)
10:20-10:40	Academic Assistance (Session 3) (W317)
10:40-11:00	Lunch Break
11:00-12:00	Social Skills (W301)
12:00PM	Pick up at door 70

The students will be at the Walker Career Center from 9:00 AM- 12:00 PM. During this time period, they will receive assistance in Math, Science, and English. The academic assistance sessions will last approximately 1 hour in length with three twenty minute activities in each subject area. The students will then have a break to eat lunch for fifteen minutes. After the lunch break, students will participate in a mentoring program with high school students. The mentoring program will focus on social skills and character building.