Odds 'n Ends



A group of participants from The YouthStop^{\mathbb{M}} toured the campus of Clemson University on October 16. Tour guides discussed a range of topics including admissions, financial aid, student life, fields of study, and career placement. Staff from the admissions and financial aid offices were also available to discuss the university's transfer programs with local community colleges, including the Bridge program. The tour was a part of the Connect to College Through Community program at The YouthStop^{\mathbb{M}}.

Three new participants were certified in October. Recruitment and certification continue.

Workshops during October focused on soft skill development and workplace interactions. "Choices and Consequences" and "Stop and Think" focused on using critical thinking skills and past experiences to help make better choices. A series on financial literacy featuring a guest speaker is scheduled for November.

A tour of the Spartanburg Community College's Union campus was offered for Union participants. Participants learned about admissions, enrollment and registration, financial aid, tuition and fee payment, and academic/training programs.

Work readiness training was offered and work experience placements continued. If you know of a business or non-profit willing to host a work experience, please contact Shannon Wilkins at 864-583-4433 for a consultation.

Staff Development & Community Outreach

Michelle W. Hawkins represented The YouthStop™ at the SCWorks Spartanburg Partner meeting on October 26. The group heard a presentation from Terry Bolda at SOS Health Care about employment training and options for youth and adults with intellectual disabilities. Spartanburg Community College also shared information on employment opportunities at the SCC campuses.

Sam Etheredge presented a workshop entitled "Why Be Average" to students at the Spartanburg Adult Education Center on October 30. Workshops are offered to the general population at adult education on a monthly basis as part of our ongoing partnership.

Staff from The YouthStop™ has volunteered at several local high school financial aid nights during the fall semester.



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