Team Kids Challenge Conceptual Framework

Inputs

Team Kids

Team Kids coach:
- Facilitates & leads six-week program
- Trains & supports teachers & staff
- Coordinates with local government, school officials, and community partners
- Facilitates student leadership meetings & activities

$12,000 (baseline)

Public Safety/ Local Government

Commitment from:
- Law Enforcement
- Fire Departments
- Local government

School

Commitment from:
- School board
- Superintendent
- Principal
- Teachers
- Non-teaching school staff
- Parents

Community

Commitment from:
- Local business partnerships
- Philanthropic partnerships
- Beneficiary charities

Team Kids Challenge -- Key Components

Team Kids Training and Supports

Law Enforcement Training

Team Kids provides:
- Program overview to personnel
- On-going support to help public safety personnel facilitate the program
- (2.5 hours of training on assets, mindset, community policing, & facilitation skills)

LEA / School Training

Team Kids provides:
- Program overview to teachers
- On-going support to help school staff & parent volunteers facilitate program
- (2.5 hours of training on assets, mindset, parent engagement, & facilitation skills)

Whole School Project-Based Learning Opportunity

Team Kids Kickoff Assembly (Week 1)

- **Focus:** Teamwork & empowerment
- School assembly with Team Kids & public safety officials to kick-off the project
- Present three community challenges
- Public safety officials ask to be on the students' team

Team Kids Challenge (Weeks 2-4)

- **Focus:** Collect resources to meet challenge & community need
- Communicating about the challenge
- Students collecting donations
- Distributing resources to beneficiary charities weekly

Team Kids Carnival (Week 5)

- **Focus:** Culminating student-led event
- Philanthropic carnival held at the school
- Older students plan & present the carnival for the younger students to attend
- Students, parents, police/fire staff, school staff, donors, & corporate partners attend the carnival & purchase tickets

Team Kids Wrap-Up Celebration (Weeks 2-4)

- **Focus:** Student reflection on the community impact of their efforts
- Presentation of the final outcomes of student efforts, including weekly challenges & distributing of proceeds from the carnival

Student Leadership Team (Grades 4-5 or 5-6)

Leadership Team Meetings

Team Kids organizes and facilitates:
- Meeting once a week during lunch recess five times during program
- Members include teachers, school staff, public safety officers, & student leaders (50-200 4th-6th grade students)
- Small working groups with students, teachers, public safety officers

Community Engagement Activities

- **Focus:** Discuss community issues & votes on challenges / charitable causes
- Student leaders brainstorm, plan, & lead the carnival for charitable giving
- Beneficiary organizations work with the leadership team to explain the impact of student efforts on their community

Short-Term Outcomes

Public Safety & Community

- Strengthen adults' mindset that **children are community assets**
- Adults build trusting **relationships** with children
- 4 or more community nonprofits gain **exposure and donations** ($4000 avg. FMV)

School

- Strengthen **mindset** that students are community assets
- Improve **positive school climate** via inclusive student leadership

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- Learn ways to **help others**
- Build 21st Century Learning Skills: **collaboration, communication & social skills**
- Perceive self as a **community asset**
- Gain **self-efficacy & leadership skills**
- Learn about **social issues & help** community nonprofits
- Develop more **positive views of law enforcement**
- Learn & apply **entrepreneurial skills**

Long-Term Outcomes

- ✓ **Children avoid high-risk behaviors, preventing high cost to society**
- ✓ **Children make more positive choices and become contributing members of society**
- ✓ **Professionals in community have stronger positive youth development mindset, and stronger connections with each other**