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November Newsletter



Congratulations to all who completed Fundamentals for Youth Serving Providers!

- Sherif Mokhtar- Department of Juvenile Justice
- Jodi Snyder- Uplift Outreach Center
- Justin Williams- Palmetto Council, Boy Scouts of America
- Max Franklin- Speaking Down Barriers
- Brian Cohen- Rebuilding the Southside
- Davelyn Hill- Speaking Down Barriers
- Vanessa Logan- N.E.S.S.A In Your Neighborhood
- Sarah Peak- Spartanburg Academic Movement
- Vanessa Giraldo- Spartanburg Area Mental Health Center

Reminders

- December OST Meeting is cancelled!
- Next OST Meeting -January 19, 2023.
- The City of Spartanburg's A Dickens of a Christmas is Tuesday, December 6, 6-9pm. Connect Spartanburg will have a Teen Zone there!

Save the date:

Fundamentals for Youth Serving Providers

- March 8, 2023
- March 16, 2023
- March 22, 2023
- March 29, 2023

This is a new date!



Citizen Scholars

The Citizens Scholars Institute serves youth grades 6-12 across all 7 Spartanburg school districts. Students are identified as Scholars in the 5th grade and stay in the program until they graduate high school.

Through Citizen Scholars, youth are taught life skills, character development, and knowledge necessary for having academic success and becoming empowered, contributing citizens. This year's theme is: Learn, Lead, Serve.

As Scholars, students attend Saturday seminars taught by Spartanburg County teachers as a partnership with all seven school districts. Scholars also participate in summer activities including leadership programs, and, by March 2023, each grade level will complete a service learning project. Students must maintain an 80 average in their classes at school to stay in the program.

Through Citizen Scholars' iCAN (College Access Network) program, junior and senior Scholars receive a "near-peer" mentor, a Wofford College student, as a partnership with the college. Citizen Scholars also supports 11th and 12th grade Scholars in their completion of college applications.



Citizen Scholars currently serves 250 students across Spartanburg County. Thank you, Citizen Scholars, for all you do to support our youth!

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Thank you for celebrating OST's 3rd birthday with us!

