



OAKLAND UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT

expect **Success**

Meaningful Student Engagement (MSE) Initiative

End of Year Report
2008-2009

Presented by Student Directors
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Goals of MSE Initiative

1. Engage student leadership in school governance and policy making.
2. Include traditional as well as non-traditional leaders
3. Build mechanisms for on-going feedback between student leadership and their constituents.
4. Provide students will school based training and support.
5. Build capacity for youth adult partnerships in schools.



Key Accomplishments in 2008-2009

1. Continued implementation of MSE leadership curriculum.
2. Supported 8 leadership classes, and 6 site based action projects
3. Continued support to last year's MSE sites
4. Implemented district wide student led events advancing the ACC Platform for Quality Education
5. Organized MSE Collaborative support for ACC's 100% Prepared for Life, College, and Career Campaign (A-G Graduation Standard)



Supporting MSE at Eight Schools

3 High Schools: Oakland International, Skyline, Sojourner Truth

5 Middle Schools: CCPA, Claremont, Frick, Melrose, Roosevelt

“Students really felt like they were part of a team. They enjoyed putting on school wide events and elections. The students also developed facilitation and presentation skills. Leadership made students say ‘Wow, I really feel a part of something bigger than just me.’ ”

-James Navaez, MSE teacher at Roosevelt



MSE Action Projects

Claremont: Cafeteria Murals

CCPA: Recycling Program

Melrose: Student Lockers

Oakland Int'l: Conflict Mediation Program

Roosevelt: Mural Design

Sojourner Truth: Student Lounge



All City Council Middle School

- Fall Leadership Retreat (80 students)
- Monthly Workshops: Facilitation, Working With Adults, Leadership Values & Code of Conduct (70 students)
- SF State College Tour (120 students)
- Middle School Peer Resource-Ethnic Studies Conference (410 students)



All City Council High School

- 1. Youth Organizing Planning Retreat**
- 2. Governing Board Development**
- 3. 100% Prepared Campaign Activities:**
 - ✓ Student-Led Action Research**
 - ✓ AERA**
 - ✓ Phone Calling Campaign**
 - ✓ Drop Out Options Fair**
 - ✓ A-G Youth Summit**
 - ✓ A-G Resolution**



All City Council High School (cont'd)

4. Issue Discussion & Training:

- ✓ City of Oakland Youth Curfew Ordinance
- ✓ Oscar Grant Aftermath & Youth Relations with Police
- ✓ Campus Safety & Discipline Policies
- ✓ Quality Teaching
- ✓ Youth Involvement in New Teacher Recruitment & Hiring
- ✓ Food Quality & Cafeteria Service
- ✓ Closed Campus Lunch Policy



All City Council High School (cont'd)

- 5. High School Ethnic Studies Conference (200 students)**
- 6. Leadership Trip to Sacramento**
- 7. Student Results Policy R-3 Social Responsibility**



MSE Collaborative

- ❖ **Youth Build Immigrant Power (Asian Immigrant Women Advocates)**
- ❖ **Town Researchers (Youth In Focus)**
- ❖ **Californians for Justice**
- ❖ **Youth Together**
- ❖ **AYPAL (Asian Pacific Islander Youth Promoting Advocacy & Leadership)**
- ❖ **Education Trust West**
- ❖ **Oakland Kids First!**



MSE Collaborative

Projects:

- ✓ **100% Prepared Campaign**
- ✓ **Peer Counseling Program**
- ✓ **High School and Middle School Ethnic Studies Conferences**
- ✓ **MSE Steering Committee**



MSE Year 3: 2009-2010

MSE Youth Planning Retreat August 18-20

- Campaign Phase II Mapping
- Identify Site-Based Strategies
- Create 09-10 Calendar

MSE Sites for 2009-2010

- Barack Obama MS
- Bunche Alternative HS
- Claremont MS
- Edna Brewer MS
- Explore MS
- Farwest HS
- Frick MS
- CBIT HS



MSE Voices

- 1. Mildred – CCPA Student**
- 2. James Navaez- Roosevelt Teacher**
- 3. Marcus Thompson – Oakland Tech Student**
- 4. Yvonne Tran – Californians For Justice**
- 5. Sheilagh Polk – Education Trust West**

