

Polly T. McCabe Center

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Mission - "Educated Mothers! Healthy Babies!"

- To provide an appropriate & supportive developmental learning community which enables students to stay in school
- To give birth to healthy infants
- To become responsible parents and life long learners

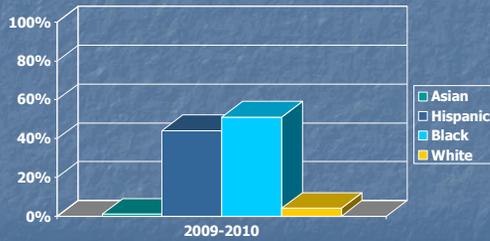
History and Background

- Established in 1966
- Alternative program for pregnant teens
- Classes follow NHPS curriculum
- Small size classes allow for optimum student growth

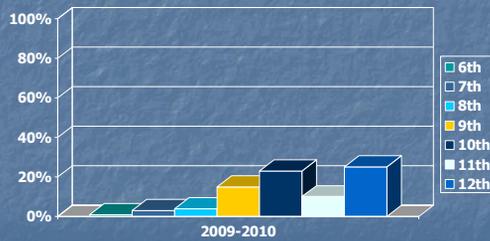
Entrance and Exit Policy

- Girls enter at various stages of pregnancy
- Remain until delivery & completion of 7 week parenting education class, then transition back to home school

Student Population



Grade Level of Students



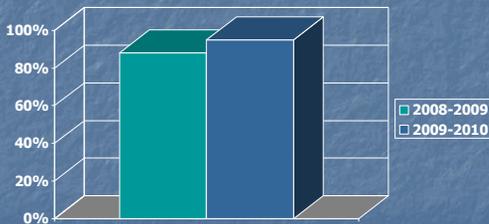
What Makes Us Different?

- Alternative start time to accommodate students & infants
- Provide a rest area
- Bed rest and maternity leave assignments
- Case managers
- Address housing and clothing needs
- Nurture room for infants

Research Outcomes

- Sited as one of the more effective interventions for teen parents (Seitz & Apfel, 1999)
- Better school enrollment and successful graduation rate (Seitz, Apfel & Rosenbaum, 1991)
- 80% rate of school continuation and graduation for McCabe students (Meadows, Sadler, & Reitmeyer, 2000)

Graduation Rate



What is our key to success?

Relationships!
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