Utah CCGP – Closing the Gap Results Report (Small Group) 2008-2009
Hillcrest High School
Jordan School District

Target Group: Junior Class
Target Group Selection is based on: The advent of the Regents' Scholarship and Hillcrest High School Needs Assessment Data

ABSTRACT

This will be a two year project to measure how effectively we are at educating our students and parents about the new Regents' Scholarship. We spend a great deal of time discussing the Utah Scholar program during Junior SEOPs and in the first year (2007-2008) had 14 students receive the Regents' Scholarship. We believe this number should be much higher considering our population.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Introduction:

- The Utah CCGP Student Outcome for this project was based on AL:C2.5 (Understand Opportunities in and how to access four year college)
- Intended Outcome: .Increase number of students at Hillcrest High School applying for and receiving the Utah Regents' Scholarship.

Participants: Junior students who are potentially eligible for the Regents' Scholarship

Method:

- Highlight Utah Scholar requirements in the Sophomore and individual Junior SEOP
- Emphasize and clarify Regents' requirements during schedule changes
- Publish requirements in the school newsletter and on the school web site
- Request clarification on rules from the state Board of Regents
- Request results/data from previous years' applicants/recipients
- Working with the middle school counselors to inform students early about the Regents' Scholarship

RESULTS

The class of 2008 at Hillcrest High School had 14 recipients of the Regents' Scholarship. Class of 2009 has 31 applicants with a completed file with the Utah Board of Regents and will be considered after final transcripts are complete.

DISCUSSION

Last year we did not receive information regarding those students who did or did not receive the Regents' Scholarship. Our only source of data was anecdotal phone calls and emails from students and parents who actually received an award. This year we requested and received a list of all students who completed an application. We used this information to evaluate our efforts and to really focus in on juniors during their SEOP. Now that the Board of Regents is providing data regarding Hillcrest applicants we can see if efforts pay off in the number of students receiving the scholarship.