

2008 “Celebrating the Success of our Families” Awareness Day Luncheon

Rate of Return on Survey:

Year: 2008 - 48% with 530 Attendees - 256 Filled-out the Survey

Year: 2007 - 44% with 450 Attendees - 200 Filled-out the Survey

We experienced an 18% increase in attendance over last year (2007).

By Category	2008 Results	2007 Results	% Increase
Total # of Attendees	530	450	18%
Youth Response to Survey	31	12	158%
Parent Response to Survey	76	33	130%
Agency Response to Survey	149	155	-4%
Overall Responding to Survey	256	200	28%

Percentage of Attendees Agreeing with Statement

	# of Agencies Responded:	# of Youth Responded:	# of Parents Responded:	Total Responded:
This event was helpful...	149	31	76	256
<i>As a Family Sharing Experience:</i>				
2008 Results	75%	61%	75%	73%
2007 Results	71%	n/a	84%	71%
<i>Most Valuable Voices Award Presentation:</i>				
2008 Results	43%	36%	49%	44%
2007 Results	41%	n/a	21%	37%
<i>In Display of Youth Creative Work:</i>				
2008 Results	40%	32%	42%	40%
2007 Results	37%	n/a	36%	36%
<i>In Youth Recognition Award:</i>				
2008 Results	64%	48%	68%	64%
2007 Results	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
<i>In Information Table Displays:</i>				
2008 Results	58%	52%	63%	59%
2007 Results	60%	n/a	n/a	n/a
<i>In Youth Talents (Entertainment):</i>				
2008 Results	54%	68%	55%	56%
2007 Results	45%	n/a	36%	42%



Summary on effectiveness of our efforts to raise awareness for children’s mental health through the activities planned.

- Due to the number of attendees who completed the survey last year, many did not answer the questions below; therefore, we captured the total number of responses for all respondents in each category in 2007 and compared with the total results in 2008.
- It appears our efforts to “increasing awareness” and “addressing the issue” of children’s mental health has increased slightly over last year. At least **90%** of those filling out the survey this year indicated we are doing a good job of raising awareness for children’s mental health in our community.
- This year we experienced an 11% decreased in the interest of our audience in seeing organizational logos on the tissue box. However, we distributed over 337 tissue boxes out of 415 were distributed - about **70%** of our audience expressed an interest in the tissue box.
- The tissue box this year was used as incentive for our audience to fill-out the survey. As such, we experienced a **28% increase** in our audience who wanted the tissue box and filled-out the survey.

	# of Agencies Responded: 149	# of Youth Responded: 31	# of Parents Responded: 76	2008 Total Responded: 256	2007 Total Responded: 200
This event was helpful...					
This event was helpful with <i>increasing awareness</i> of children’s mental health	92%	93%	99%	94%	89%
This event appropriately <i>addressed the issue</i> of children’s mental health	91%	100%	95%	97%	95%
I plan to hang the “ <i>We Support</i> ” poster in my office	84%	64%	66%	79%	n/a
Our organization would be interested in being <i>included on the tissue box</i> next year	78%	79%	59%	74%	86%

Overall representation of Attendees to luncheon:
 52 Agencies
 33 Schools (majority students)
 35 Students out of 44 for 1st ever Youth Recognition
 (See list of Agencies & School Listing attached)



2008 List of Agencies & Schools Represented at Luncheon

Agency	Schools
1 Baker Victory Services	1 Alden High School
2 Berkshire Farms	2 Amherst Middle School
3 Brylin Hospitals	3 Baker Hall School
4 Buffalo Public Schools	4 Bishop Timon St. Jude High School
5 CAO Head Start Program	5 Buffalo Academy of Science Charter
6 Catholic Charities	6 Buffalo United Charter School
7 Cazenovia Recovery	7 Charter School for Applied Technology
8 Child & Adolescent Treatment Services	8 Cheektowaga Sloan School
9 Child & Family Services	9 Cleveland Hill Middle School
10 Children's Mental Health Coalition of WNY, Inc.	10 Frontier Middle School
11 Community Action Organization	11 Henrietta G. Lewis Campus School
12 Community Missions	12 Hopevale UFSD
13 Community Services for the Developmentally Disabled	13 JFK Middle School
14 Compeer of Greater Buffalo	14 Lackawanna High School
15 County Legislator Office: Robert Reynolds (rep)	15 Lancaster High School
16 Department of Social Services	16 Mount Mercy Academy
17 EPIC for Children	17 Potter Career & Technical Center
18 Epilepsy Association of WNY, Inc	18 PS #200-Bennett High School
19 Erie county Department of Mental Health	19 PS #27-Hillery Park Elementary
20 Erie County Department of Social Services	20 PS #301-Burgard High School
21 Families CAN	21 PS #307-East High School
22 Family Court	22 PS #33-Bilingual Center
23 GA Family Services	23 PS #415-Middle Early College High School
24 Gateway-Longview, Inc.	24 PS #56-Fredrick Law Olmstead
25 Girl Scout Council of Buffalo and Erie County, Inc.	25 PS #79 Grabiarz School of Excellence
26 Goldstein, Ackerhalt & Pletcher, LLP	26 PS #95-Waterfront
27 Greater Refuge Temple of Christ	27 St. Monica Scholars
28 Heritage Centers	28 Stanley Faulk
29 Hillside Children Center	29 WNY Maritime Charter School
30 Hopevale, Inc.	30 PS #200-Bennett High School
31 JetAction Inc.	31 PS #27-Hillery Park Elementary
32 Joan A. Male Family Support Center	32 PS #301-Burgard High School
33 Kaleida Health	33 PS #307-East High School
34 Mental Health Association	
35 Mid-Erie Counseling & Treatment Services	
36 NAMI	
37 New Directions Youth & Family Services, Inc.	
38 P2 Collaborative of WNY	
39 Parent Network of Western New York	
40 People Inc.	
41 Phillips Lytle LLP	
42 Spectrum Human Services	
43 Suicide Prevention & Crisis Service, Inc.	
44 The Morlock Foundation	
45 The Salvation Army (Buffalo Citadel)	
46 Transitional Services, Inc.	
47 UB Bulls Division 1 Coach	
48 UB Social Work Continuing Education	
49 University at Buffalo Student Parent Support Group	
50 University of Buffalo Family Medicine Research	
51 WBFO Radio	
52 WNY Children's Psychiatric Center	



2008 After Luncheon Follow - Request for "We Support" Poster

We Support Poster Interest

- 1 Bishop Timon-St. Jude School
- 2 Charter School of Applied Technology
- 3 Buffalo Academy of Science Charter
- 4 Frederick Law Olmstead
- 5 JFK Middle School
- 6 Frontier
- 7 Cheektowaga Central School District
- 8 Our Lady of Sacred Heart
- 9 Cloverbank Elementary (Hamburg)
- 10 Depew High School
- 11 Lancaster High School
- 12 Cardinal O'Hare School
- 13 Lake Shore Central School
- 14 Clinton Street Elementary (West Seneca)
- 15 Cantalician Center for Learning
- 16 Heim Middle School (Williamsville)

The above list are schools that have requested the "**We Support Children's Mental Health Poster**" after the luncheon.

It appears this year's luncheon had a broader reach into the school districts that previous years. At the request for the "We Support" poster the schools also received information about Family Voices Network and the wraparound process.

Schools 1-7 above also included youth who were part of the "**1st ever Youth Recognition.**"



Audience Comments by Category:

Parents Comments

- The music was loud enough being hearing impaired 50% I could not hear most of what was said.
- Share more testimonial information on awardees (paragraph on each winner?)
- I felt honored to become one of the speakers for this meeting and this gave me the courage and strength to help me continue to reach my goal and some day be able to become a Family Advocate. Thank you Karen Fuhrman
- Still need guidance regarding juvenile justice system
- There are still families who face obstacles trying to get advice on justice for their families
- Thank you! One suggestion- could not hear all speakers well. Those who spoke right into the microphone could be heard.

Youth Comments

- Annoying survey and Kleenex box -at beginning respect for speakers while talking-agenda with time limit

Agency Comments

- Reggie Witterspoon was excellent and real. Stumbling blocks=learning opportunities paradigm shift. Thank you
- Sound system makes it hard to hear speakers. Turn up the volume on microphone and youth sit with family; Improve the sound system for speakers
- Open Lot parking needed; Parking at not cost; suburban parking would be easier
- Microphone needs to be louder children and families should not have gathered in the back after getting their awards, they should have gone to the display area. It was very distracting hearing all their chatter; we could not hear the speaker (sad face). W
- Unfortunately, we could not hear any of the speakers except Mr. Collins. I know we missed a lot of good stuff as a result. Thank you for the opportunity to display our agency info and honor our staff and families. Great job everyone! Hillside
- Would like to see "kid friendly" entrée kids around us (and at our table) did not eat the meal (although it was great). Because we promote kids attending this function, I think it would be good to make them feel welcome-we asked the child at our table
- Not culturally competent-prayer at lunch. I found the lack of cultural competency troubling and probably will not return next year; prayer given was offensive - not sensitive to diversity
- 1. Give instructions at beginning: a. Complete Survey Kleenex box 2. Put time limits for each speaker e.g. C. Collins-10min M. Weiner-10 min then it ends on time. Put someone in charge of time limits. 3. Have tables assigned ahead and a chart outside of door
- Tables were confusing have reserved tables for organizations specified out front.
- Announce @ beginning survey and Kleenex boxes, respect for speakers, agenda with time limit. Every year goes over time
- 1. Please let the honorees sit with their sponsors 2. PLEASE check the acoustics! Extremely hard to hear the speakers! And we were seated approx. mid-way in and could hardly hear- I imagine much worse for others... had to get up and close doors...
- The youth poster contest winners should have been recognized w/checks presented in front of the entire group. Might want to consider a different menu for next year it was the exact same food. 3 years in a row, same meal could be off putting. Love the youth

