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To: Adriane Miller [amiller@nccjgreaterdayton.org]
CC: John Wilson [wilson.john@oakwoodschoools.org]; Joan Blin [blin.joan@oakwoodschoools.org]
Subject: Re: Diversity Training Opportunity... would require immediate action

Hello Adriane & John,

Thank you for the wonderful opportunity to participate in this program. We were able to make the impossible happen, thanks to our Prevention Counselor, Joan Blin. She vetted the materials and will be signing and sending you the MOU tomorrow. She will also be the teacher liaison!

Thanks again for your support!

Kimbe

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On Fri, Aug 7, 2020 at 4:35 PM Adriane Miller <amiller@nccjgreaterdayton.org> wrote:

Hi Kimbe and John,

I hope you are both doing well. I understand that there is a lot going on and I appreciate you getting back to me so quickly. I spoke with staff at ADAMHS and they said we have until August 14th to get a signed MOU. Would that give you time to review the curriculum? We have facilitated this curriculum for 10 years in the Fairfield City Schools and have also facilitated it at Xenia High School and Troy High Schools. Here's a little more information about Agents of Change.

This program is school or community based for high school students. It's a 7 week (~15-20 hours) curriculum that includes social justice, Healthy Choices, Healthy Relationships (HC/HR) and QPR (suicide prevention), both evidence based curriculum. Each session is three hours and youth can volunteer or be recommended by teachers to attend. We have flexibility in how we administer each session, if needed, we could divide each session into smaller increments to better fit a virtual format. We plan to hold a total of 4 sessions during the 2020-2021 school year for 15-20 participants.

Agents of Change transforms students, by providing them with the knowledge and skills to question the world around them in a positive manner, and the larger community, as they integrate the knowledge they have obtained during the program into their lives. The program gives young people the tools to become leaders and agents of change. Their experiences are validated, and that allows them to find their own voice. Knowledge of the self and understanding the diversity of world around them leads to both effective communication and honing conflict resolution skills, which, in turn, prepares the youth to become assertive and effective leaders in their communities.

It is just a really critical time for us right now, so an extension would be the best option. Can you ask Adriane Miller to forward any and all information to me ASAP?

Thanks for understanding,
Kimbe

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On Fri, Aug 7, 2020 at 11:45 AM John Wilson <wilson.john@oakwoodschoools.org> wrote:
Kimbe

I receive this message today from Adrienne Miller, Director of NCCJ here in Dayton. They are responsible for Camp Anytown and other Diversity programming.

I have worked with them for years and their training is top notch for students and staff.

If you and Traci are looking for an "off the shelf" program in addition to what you all are putting together in house... this would meet the high standards of Oakwood and is something to implement this year without a heavy lift.

Below is her message to me.

Good morning John, it's Adriane Miller. I just saw your post about making Oakwood more equitable and inclusive. NCCJ has funding from ADAMHS to provide FREE school programming. We have two curriculums Agents of Change for high school, based on the Anytown curriculum and Changing in the middle for middle school. Agents is about 15 hours and changing is 4 hours, both can be delivered virtually. The only challenge is I am supposed to have a signed MOU by Monday.

The MOU says that the district will identify students for us to work with and a teacher liaison. NCCJ will take care of everything else.

Do you think the district would be interested? If so, are you able to introduce me?

Thanks Kimbe. I hope you will consider it.

John Wilson