



STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE PROGRAM PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET

SCHOOL: Allentown High School

ACTIVITY: Blood Drive

DATE(S): 4/15/10 & 4/15/11

CATEGORY: Community Service

ADVISOR NAME: Mrs. Sweeney, Ms. Folino & Mrs. Johnson

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PROVIDE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THIS PROJECT:

During the spring the Student Council holds a blood drive, with the help of the Central Jersey Blood center. Volunteers, from the center and student council members, come to the high school and help with the blood drive. Students and teachers who are eligible can donate blood all day long to benefit the American Red Cross.

DESCRIBE THE PLANNING & EXECUTION OF THIS PROJECT:

Student Council members hand out permission slips to students who are interested in donating blood. Generally, members either visit homerooms to spread the word or sit in the cafeteria at lunch with the sign up sheets. Additionally, the chairperson of this event is in contact with the representative from the American Red Cross and meets with her finalizing any details. The American Red cross Representative also comes to the school and shows the students a video in promotion for the drive. On the day of the blood drive, student council members are also assigned to different shift during the day to help out in the gym, where the blood drive takes place. The student council members make sure all donors have signed permission slips and arrive at their assigned time in order to keep the event running smoothly. Generally, members assist with registration, and anything else that is suggested of them.

DESCRIBE THE BENEFIT OF THIS PROJECT BENEFIT TO SCHOOL AND/OR COMMUNITY:

This event gets many students involved in donating their blood to people who really need it. The blood drive helps students become more aware of people in need of blood and educates them on how to donate blood.

EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THIS PROJECT, REFLECTING ON ANY POSSIBLE CHANGES YOU MIGHT CONSIDER:

The school donates a fair amount of blood to the American Red Cross every year. Each year that student council runs the event, more and more students come out to donate blood. Every donor makes a difference and this is a very good cause to contribute to. Next year by advertising more and spreading the word that giving blood isn't dangerous, hopefully more students will donate!