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Generating Academic Potential (GAP) Program

GAP Program Background

- The GAP program is a weekly remediation and education enrichment program geared towards students that are at risk of failing or dropping out or that need individual help with homework.
- The GAP program has been operating successfully since 1993 and continues to meet the needs of students who desire to improve their academic success at Arcadia High School, Ingleside Middle School, and the Arcadia Neighborhood Learning Center (Scottsdale Unified School District).
- The GAP Program exists due to the generous support of Arcadia Pride, Inc. Arcadia Pride is a non-profit, fundraising organization that provides funds that would otherwise not be available to the Arcadia-complex schools within the Scottsdale Unified School District.
- Due to the fluctuating nature of community fundraising and increased pressure on school budgets, Arcadia Pride is seeking a more stable, permanent Sponsor for the GAP Program. To properly staff and operate GAP, the program requires an annual, tax-deductible contribution of \$6,000.



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GAP Program Services

- The GAP program is held twice weekly for two hours per session over (26) sessions between the months of September and June.
- Tutors are solicited from the community and include teachers, college students, National Honor Society members, and parents.
- Students are able to utilize all library resources including computers, books, and other reference materials.
- Academic areas covered by the GAP Program include math, science, social studies, English, and Spanish.
- Students of limited English proficiency are able to get assistance with reading and writing assignments.
- The GAP Program also serves as an introduction and transitional opportunity for middle school students moving on to Arcadia High School.



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GAP Program Results

An average of 28.5 students per week utilized the GAP Program during the 2002-2003 school year.

Students were surveyed in 2003 and conveyed the following about the Program:

- The times and locations of GAP are convenient (95% Agree)
- The primary reason for attending GAP is to complete homework (76% Agree)
- I get the appropriate tutoring assistance I need when I attend GAP (85% Agree)
- The GAP program is beneficial to our local students (97% Agree)
- I would like to see GAP continued in it's current format (94% Agree)



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Conclusion

- The Generating Academic Potential Program needs a permanent Sponsor; preferably a local company or corporation with ties to education and/or the Arcadia community.
- The \$6,000 annual contribution required supplements the cost of staffing that is now borne solely by Arcadia Pride.
- To contact Arcadia Pride regarding the GAP Program, contact it's Chairman, Mike Askins, at 480-441-3609 or mike.askins@cox.net