

Did You Know?

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- ◆ According to W.H.O. the USA is ranked 27th in mathematics and 29th in science compared to the rest of the world.
- ◆ About 20 percent of teens will experience depression; suicide is the third highest cause of death in US teens.
- ◆ One in 10 US children is now claimed to have ADHD, over 6 million are medicated
- ◆ The dropout rate and the rate of incarceration continue to rise each year.

So US conventional medicine is in 37th place and US education is in 28th place. Georgia ranks 48 out of 50 states in terms of academic achievement.

Why?

What are the connections?

How are we going to create a change?

**Become a part of the SOLUTION.
Ask us how to join the “Village”.**

It Takes a Village Ministry, Inc. Co Founders/Directors

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The Teen I.D.O.L. Youth Leadership Training Program

Helping Our Youth to
Be All They Can Be:

- ◇ Spiritually
- ◇ Emotionally
- ◇ Mentally
- ◇ Physically

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Empowering the youth of today to become the Independent, Dynamic, Outstanding, Leaders of Tomorrow.

Mission Statement

The Teen I.D.O.L. Leadership Training Program will teach adolescents how to create and maintain healthy lifestyles which generate a sense of physical, mental, emotional and spiritual wellbeing as our youth transition into adulthood.

Vision

The participants and graduates of the Teen I.D.O.L. Teen Leadership Program are Dynamic, Independent, Outstanding Leaders who use their skills, wisdom, and talents to empower and enrich themselves and their community.

Our Philosophy

“We believe the children are the future. Teach them well and let them lead the way.” Therefore, there is a significant emphasis on self-responsibility for personal health and dis-ease prevention. We strive to look at the glass as being half full, rather than half empty. Subsequently, unlike many other teen programs, this program stress being “proactive” will not limit the student’s focus to merely reacting to societal problems.

Program Format

We recognize that **“it takes a village to raise a child”** and make an effort to promote an atmosphere of **“each one, teach one”**. In designing this course, we were concerned that unlike many other teen projects, this program would emphasize wellness and not limit the student’s focus to dealing with the societal problems such as drug abuse, teen pregnancy and the possibility of contracting sexually transmitted diseases.

Therefore, this program is comprised of five major components: an intensive summer holistic fitness boot camp, community service and other and life skills action projects, a mentorship alliance, a mid- year overnight retreat and one year of monthly life skills workshops and wellness courses which will integrate various aspects of holistic wellness such as nutrition, breathing exercises and meditations on various aspects of the “Fruit of the Spirit”.

The program is designed to train groups of 20-30 youth leaders each year.

Planned Activities Include:

- ◇ Intensive Summer Camp
- ◇ Bi-Monthly Meetings
- ◇ Overnight Retreat Intensive Leadership Training Getaway
- ◇ Field Trips
- ◇ Community Service Events
- ◇ Graduation Ceremony
- ◇ Students who successfully complete all courses and other program requirements will graduate from the program and will be invited to go on an all-expenses paid trip to a theme park.

Community Sponsors:

We hope that you will decide to support us in our endeavor to empower the youth. This program is made possible through donations from community supporters like you and thus will be offered at no cost to the participants. If you would like to make a donation or have any questions and/or concerns regarding the details of the program, please feel free to email us at itavministry.org@gmail.com.

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