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Lowe Family Young Scholars Program 2017 Annual Report

"The mission of the LFYS Program is to assist academically promising yet economically disadvantaged students in the Bartlesville Public School System to earn a college degree."



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Chairman's Letter

It is my honor and privilege to serve as Chairman of The Board of the Lowe Family Young Scholars Program. I want to thank our hard working staff, Karen and Kristin, the fabulous mentors, other volunteers and my fellow board members. In the short time since Barry and Karen Lowe started the program we have 3 students who have graduated from college and are gainfully employed, 10 students are in college and 25 are in Bartlesville Public Schools with an average GPA of 3.62. Every year our students, mentors and parents of the students give back to the community through volunteer activities such as Pack the Back Packs.

To all of you who have donated to the Program, first a big Thank You, and I want to assure you your money is being spent wisely to accomplish the mission of assisting our students to earn a college degree. The future is very bright for the Lowe Family Young Scholars Program.

George Halliard



Mentor of the Year

The LFYS Program was pleased to have our mentor Julie Pranger recognized during the 2018 Oklahoma Mentor Day held at the University of Oklahoma in Norman. The featured speaker was David Boren, founder and chairman of the Foundation for Excellence who presented certificates to the honorees.

Julie enjoys volunteering in the community. She has written articles for the Bartlesville Monthly Magazine, volunteers at Martha's Task, Ray of Hope, and ARC Group Homes Inc. She is also the immediate past-president of the Rogers State University Alumni Association.

Julie's mentee Marisol had this to say about her: "Julie has been someone I can depend on for the last 2.5 years. Anytime I have a question or am confused, I do not hesitate to ask her. . . Julie has impacted me in many ways, the biggest being holding myself more accountable with myself academically. She has taught me that it is all right to struggle with something and to look for help; there is always a solution to a problem. Often times, there is more than one solution."

The LFYS Program is a better program because of Julie and the other dedicated volunteers who serve with the program.



Mentor of the year Julie Pranger (left) with mentee Marisol (right) at Oklahoma Mentor Day.

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New mentors in
2017



Abril & Mariana

Matched Jan. 2017



Samantha & Rachelle

Matched Jan. 2017



Christina & Cristina

Matched Feb. 2017



Nic & Landry

Matched Feb. 2017



Hope & Cheryl

Matched Feb. 2017



Travis, Sophie & Payton

Matched Apr. 2017



Jazmin & Donna

Matched Jul. 2017



Elise & Daisy

Matched Sept. 2017



Mary Beth & Mariel

Matched Oct. 2017

Facts and Stats

100%

Students set short
and long term
goals

32

Students in
program

18

Students being
mentored



Student Christina goes with her
mentor to a calligraphy class.



Students who had perfect attendance at
all LFYS Program events in 2017.

\$26,000

Scholarships distributed
in 2017

10

Students in
college

86%

Students are/will
be 1st generation
college students

4,304

Total volunteer
hours

3.62

Avg. GPA

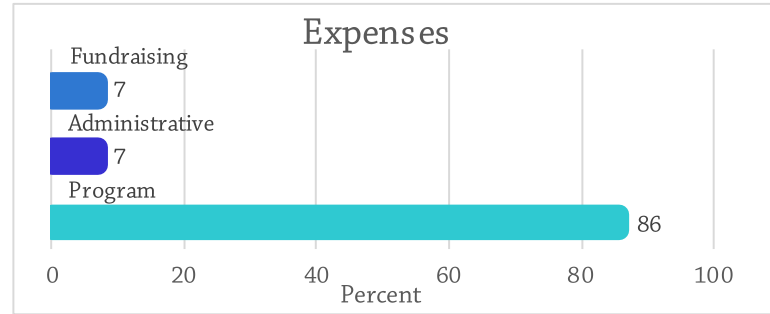
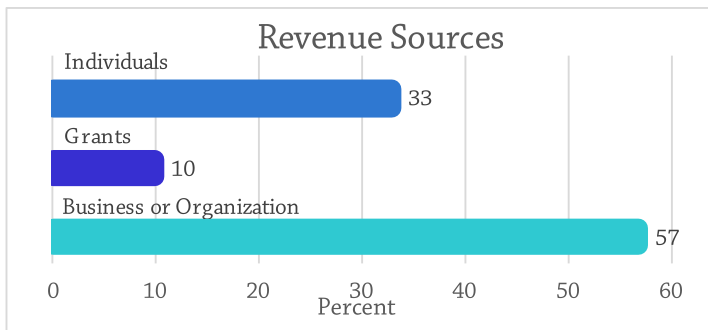
78%

College retention
rate



Students enjoyed tour of
RSU Claremore in July.

Program Funds



Students & parents volunteering.

Program Expense Categories		
ACT/AP Test Payment	ACT Prep Resources	Calculators for ACT Tests
Campus Visits	Career Assessments	Chromebooks for Homework
College Advice and Direction	College Prep Guides	Community Service
Dental Program	FAFSA Assistance	In House Classes
OK's Promise Assistance	Page Program	Scholarship Search Assistance
Setting Goals	Summer Camps	



Teambuilding at Quarterly Meeting.

Highlights

- College campus visits to OSU and RSU (pictured below).
- LFYS Program students surpassed ACT scores for state and national averages in the below categories:

Category	2017 State	2017 National	LFYS Program-2017
Black/African American	16.6	17.1	20.0
Latino/Hispanic	17.7	18.9	23.8
All Students	19.4	21.0	22.4
Male	19.3	21.0	23.2
2016-1st Generation ACT Scores		17.9	22.2

- Push to enroll more students in concurrent classes as there is a 25% higher graduation rate for students taking concurrent classes.
- 2017 Volunteer hours to Salvation Army, SunFest, Washington County School Supply Drive, Kiddie Park: 382.



Students tour Oklahoma State University.

Ethnicity	Percent
African American	19%
American Indian	3%
Caucasian	41%
Hispanic/Latino	37%



Students touring Rogers State University.

Program Year in Review