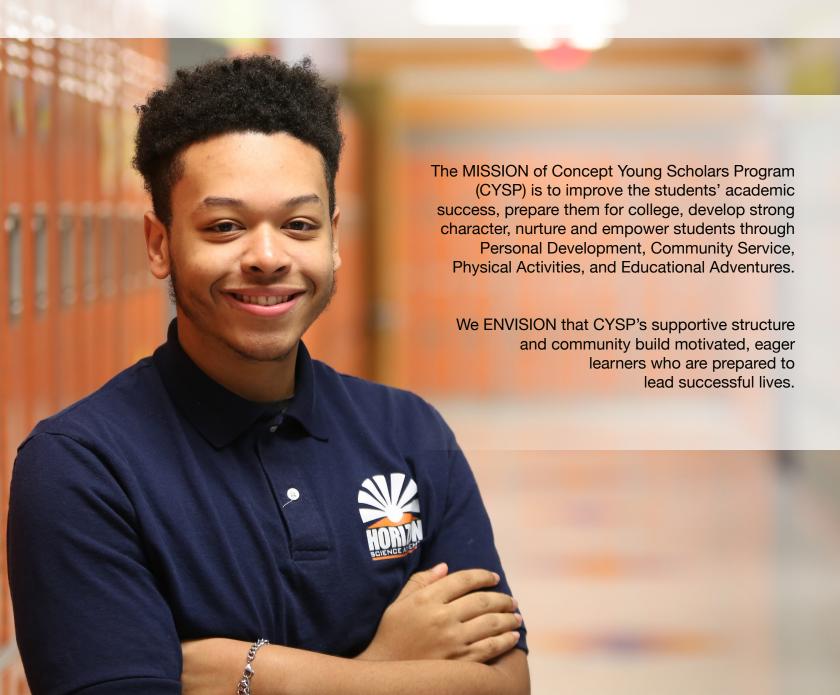


### **Concept Young Scholars Program**

**Empowering Future Generations** 



#### IT IS TIME TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

#### **CYSP Overview**

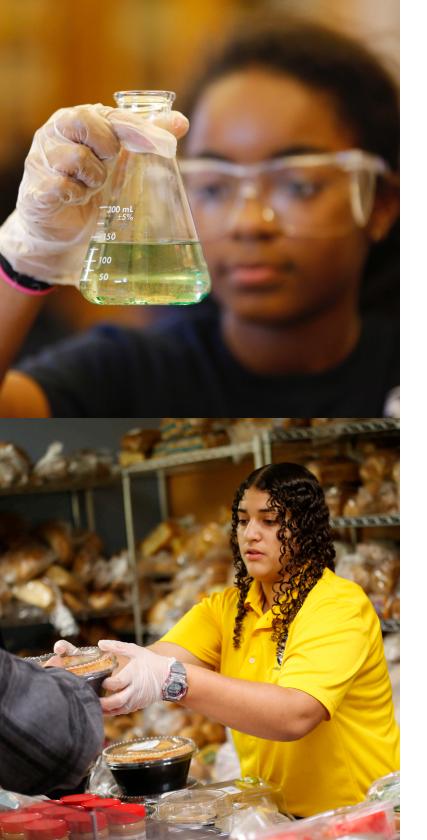
The Concept Young Scholars Program (CYSP) is an enrichment program available to all students enrolled in 5th through 12th grade across the Concept Schools network.

CYSP works in parallel with Concept's rigorous STEM-focused and college-prep education and is designed to empower students and to enhance their self-confidence to be academically and socially successful in life.

CYSP scholars collaborate with a Concept advisor to develop actionable goals across four CYSP areas:

- Personal Development
- Community Service
- Physical Fitness
- Educational Adventures





### **READY FOR A CHALLENGE? Personal Development**

Through regular meetings with peers and their advisors, CYSP scholars develop self-awareness, self-management, and interpersonal skills to best prepare for success in this 21st century.

Elements of Personal Development may include:

- Progress Monitoring
- Participating in Extra-Curricular Activities
- Character Education
- Enhancing Reading & Writing Skills
- Weekend & Enrichment Programs
- Standardized Test Preparation
- College & Scholarship Applications

# NOW, LET'S REACH OUT TO OTHERS Community Service

Community service comes in many forms, and through their experiences, CYSP scholars cultivate a sense of social and civic responsibility. Scholars develop a sense of satisfaction that will help them foster a better environment for themselves, for their community, and the world.

Elements of Community Service may include:

- · Community Service
- Peer Tutoring

# BE HEALTHY AND ACTIVE Physical Fitness

Establishing and maintaining a healthy lifestyle is an essential component of CYSP. CYSP challenges scholars to set and achieve measurable goals in physical activities. Scholars will improve the quality of their lives through participation in these activities.

Elements of Physical Fitness may include:

- Healthy Food & Drink Choices
- Personal Physical Activities

## IT'S TIME TO EXPLORE Educational Adventures

As CYSP scholars participate in educational adventures, they are exposed to communities and situations that raise their social and cultural awareness. Scholars collaborate with one another to organize and actualize their experiences.

Elements of Educational Adventure may include:

- Overnight Activities
- Trips & Camps
- Cultural Exposure
- College & University Visits
- College Readiness & Career Exposure





#### **CYSP Plus**

Harvard University researchers indicate that family engagement is critically important to student achievement by:

- Improving children's literacy
- Promoting high-quality work habits and task orientation
- Preparing youth for college
- Supporting the development of social skills
- Increasing high-school graduation rates, especially students from diverse ethnic and economic backgrounds

#### **IT TAKES A VILLAGE**

#### **Parent Engagement**

CYSP Plus is an optional component where the parents and guardians of CYSP scholars engage in their student's growth and development.

Parents and guardians that participate in CYSP activities with their students may also be honored, and CYSP scholars may earn additional recognition and prizes for their family's level of involvement.

Elements of Parent Engagement may include:

- Attending CYSP Progress-Monitoring Meetings
- Attending College & University Visits
- Participating in CYSP Community Service Events
- Engaging in School Programs









### PROGRESS MONITORING

### **Personal Goal Setting**

CYSP scholars set personal goals that are meaningful and attainable to reach by the end of each school year. Scholars track their growth and meet with their advisors on a regular basis to discuss their personal progress.

### **Summative CYSP Report**

At the end of each academic school year, scholars receive a summative CYSP report that details their personal growth in each of the four CYSP areas.

Mid-term reports are also available to scholars and families through Concept Schools' web and app-based School Information System, ConceptSIS.

www.conceptsis.com/Login.aspx





Student: A Grade: 1 CYSP: 0 Year: 2

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#### STUDENT REPORT CARD

				BRONZE		SILVER		GOLD
		Current	Goal	74%	Goal	61%	Goal	46%
Personal Development	Progress Monitoring Meeting (count)	17	4	425%	8	212%	15	113%
	Extra-Curricular Activities (session)	4.5	10	45%	20	22%	30	15%
	Character Education (count)	1	4	25%	7	14%	10	10%
	Reading (count)	1	2	50%	4	25%	6	17%
	Weekend Enrichment Program (day)	9		Optional	8	112%	12	75%
	Individual Test Practice/Tutoring (session)	18	20	90%	40	45%	50	36%
	College and Career Readiness (count)	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	College / Scholarship Application (count)	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Voluntary Public Service	Peer Tutoring (session)	9.4		Optional	2	469%	6	156%
	Community Services (hour)	2	2	100%	4	50%	10	20%
Physical Fitness	Physical Fitness (hour)	8	15	53%	25	32%	35	23%
Expedition/ Exploration	Overnight Activities (night)	0		Optional	2	0%	5	0%
	Intercultural Activities (day)	2	1	200%	2	100%	4	50%
	Out of Town Trip (day)	5		Optional	1	500%	2	250%
	College Trip (day)	1	1	100%	1	100%	2	50%
	In Town Trip (day)	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
CYSP+	Parent Participation	8	4	200%	6	133%	8	100%



### THE IMPACT OF CYSP

CYSP helped me become a better person, taught me how to be patient and how to be more conversational with people. It made me feel good about myself.

- CYSP Scholar



CYSP is a great way to communicate with other types of people and improve personally. Having these goals made my life more organized.

- CYSP Scholar



Participation in the CYSP has a positive effect on the behaviors, attitudes, and academic performances of CYSP scholars.

- CYSP Advisor





By participating in CYSP, my daughter is now more outgoing, and it brings me joy to see her beginning to flourish.

- CYSP Parent

CYSP is a model program that readies young hearts and minds for the next phase of their journey.

- CYSP Parent





CYSP provides an amazing opportunity for parents and schools to collaborate on developing well-rounded young men and women.

- CYSP Parent





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