

# EDUCATE Youth

Empowerment through education.

104 S. Huron St. Ypsilanti MI 48197

Your generosity has made a difference to the students at Educate Youth and we Thank YOU.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the students and to our academic achievements.

This year Educate Youth has had many successes:

- Spring 2019, every student passed every class.
- Fall 2019, we have a record number of students participating in the Having Opportunities for Positive Education, our after school academic program.
- The Buddy Reading Program continues to increase participant's reading level.
- After a year-long break, Educate Youth will have a team participating in Ethics Bowl 2020. Over the past six years we have observed the positive impact of learning about Philosophy and Ethics. Participating students improve their reading skills and their vocabulary. We see a positive impact on critical thinking and the decision making process. The Ethics Bowl is one more way Educate Youth supports youth in developing positive attitudes towards learning.

## **Our program works with students who are most at risk of failing High School.**

- Currently, our intensive, one-on-one programming can successfully support 16 students. Our goal is to increase that number to 18 for the 2019-2020 academic year and to 22 for the 2020-2021 academic year.
- Another goal for 2020 is to hire an assistant to the Director who will support this increase in the number of students at the clubhouse.

Here are a few ways you can help the students at the Clubhouse:

- Donate new winter clothing (coats are needed!)
- Volunteer to be a tutor (one hour a week will help with our buddy reading program!)
- **Join us on December 3, 2019 Giving Tuesday (see the enclosed invitation!)**
- Donate by check or online.

**You can make a difference in One Child's life. Please Give today!**

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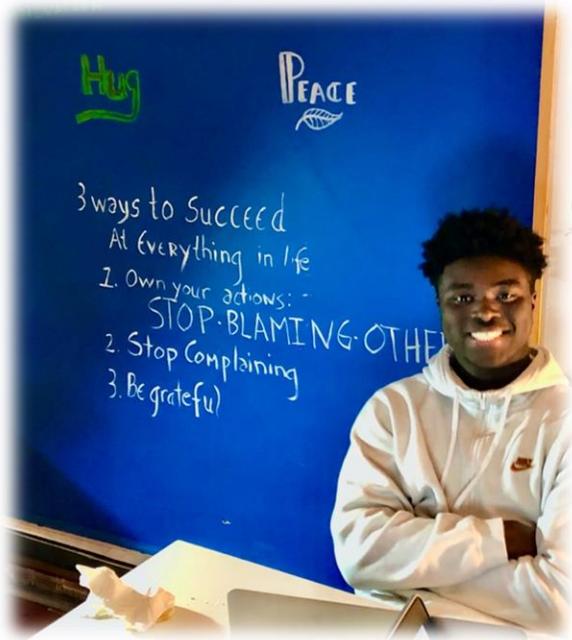


Support from donors like you creates a lasting impact on the academic lives of teens living in Ypsilanti.  
When you give to Educate Youth, you give new hope to teens.

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Or mail your check or pledge to: Educate Youth 501c3 in the enclosed envelope.

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**THE STARFISH Story**  
by Loren Eiseley

One day a man was walking along the beach when he noticed a boy picking up and gently throwing things into the ocean.

Approaching the boy he asked: "Young man, what are you doing?"

The boy replied, "Throwing starfish back into the ocean. The surf is up and the tide is going out. If I don't throw them back, they'll die."

The man laughed to himself and said, "Do you realize there are miles of miles of miles of beach and hundreds of starfish?" "You can't make any difference."

After listening politely, the boy bent down, picked up another starfish and threw it into the surf, then smiling at the man, he said: "I made a difference to that one."