



Alpha Achievers

Alpha Achievers is a mentoring program that meets with DC Public School males in their junior or senior year once a month with the explicit goal of exposing these young men to college and other post-graduate opportunities.

Mission

The mission of Alpha Achievers is to increase the social awareness of young males in their communities and to increase their knowledge about the importance of education.

Program Objectives

- 1) Improve student's self-esteem;
- 2) Improve student's academic performance;
- 3) Encourage students to complete high school and pursue a college education;
- 4) Increase their social awareness and problem solving skills in order to enable them to make responsible decisions.

Target Group

Our target population for the Alpha Achievers is juniors and seniors males in High School.

Types of Programs Offered

Currently we offer a variety of programs and structured activities for the young men promoting male bonding, self-sufficiency and growth and maturity. The programs that are offered each concentrate on several aspects of life that will assist the young men in preparing for adulthood.

Life Skills Training "Brotherhood Session"

The brotherhood session is a means for the young men within the program to learn about information surrounding college life and its challenges. The young men are subjected to various workshops such as topics on:

- Senior Year and Advanced Placement Classes
- College Selection and Application
- College major and minor selections
- Class scheduling advise
- Credit card counseling
- SAT/ACT Prep
- Establishing healthy positive relationships



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Community Service

All Alpha Achievers participants are required to complete 15 hours of community service on their own during the Alpha Achievers program. All participants are also required to participate in an all day community service activity as a group. This program is important in teaching the young men the importance of working within their community and giving back in some form. We encourage the participants to continue to provide community service after the Alpha Achievers program is completed.

Fundraising Opportunities

All Alpha Achievers participants are required to take part in various fundraising opportunities to increase the amount of scholarship awarded, offset costs for traveling to workshops and college fairs, as well as selling patronage ads in the Alpha Achievers souvenir book.

Recreational Outings

During the 6-month period that the young men are in the Alpha Achievers program, they participate in several recreational activities. The activities include:

- Bowling Party
- Rock Climbing
- Brotherhood Retreat I
- Brotherhood Retreat II

These activities help to reinforce the objectives that are outlined in the Life Skills "Brotherhood Sessions".