Eagle Flight is a program designed to identify, seek, and reach first-time ninth grade students who are at risk of failing academically and socially at East Mecklenburg High School.

How does it work?

The success of this program is a result of the collaboration of parents, administration, teachers, students and counselors; with an emphasis on Mentoring being the key component in making an impact on our youth. Mentors hold students accountable by encouraging them and serving as a bridge of communication and support between the school and family.

Testimonials

Parent: “I am so glad my daughter had a chance to participate in Eagle Flight 2011. I do believe it had an impact on Rondra. The program helped her to better understand and in return she got better grades. Rondra did have to go to summer school; but she did also pass the Algebra class with a 93. I think Eagle Flight helped her a great deal. I was so pleased and proud of her.”

Parent: “The Eagle Flight program really encouraged my daughter to work harder and excel in math. Have a positive attitude toward educational goals for future life. Teachers, organizers, instructors, etc. very highly energetic about what they could offer Eagle Flight members.”

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The curriculum used for the Eagle Flight Program is aligned with the North Carolina standards and is based on building foundational skills in English and Algebra I. Students practice literacy skills in a book study of "Success for Teens" and work on decoding word problems.

Students meet one Saturday a month to take literacy and math sessions taught by state certified teachers. Students are also provided with a time to work on a writing activity while their parents attend an information session led by a state certified teacher or guidance counselor.

During the 2010-2011 school year 23 of the 26 identified students completed the program. The group showed an average of 3.25% growth in English and a 2.01% growth in Algebra, meaning that the students performed higher than predicted on the state End Of Course exam.

If you are interested in helping this program, please let us know. We have plenty of opportunities for you to become involved.

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