Technical Education

Two major recognitions

Centers

Credit recovery programs made available to more than 3,000 under-credited youth.
PYN was proud to receive an Eddy Award from the Non-Profit Organization of the Year.
PYN was honored to receive 48 youth-serving organizations contracts to run programs.

Summer Closing Celebration

A culminating activity demonstrating the achievement, talent and potential of youth, and the system of programs and investments designed to support them.
19 ‘WorkReady Champions’ Honored

22 of the 25 largest private-sector employers in Philadelphia hired WorkReady interns.

Project U-Turn

A collaborative effort to understand and resolve Philadelphia’s dropout crisis, focusing on policy, research, stakeholder involvement and the quality and quantity of educational opportunities.

Re-engagement Center OPENS at School District Education Center, 440 N. Broad Street
1,662 out-of-school youth were referred to educational options.
1,210 worksites were created.
4 “Turning-it-Around” Summits took a community-level look at the dropout crisis.

Youth Development Initiative

PYN programs designed to provide leadership development opportunities and create an avenue for youth voice in our work.
24 Youth Ambassadors informed policy and practice, serving as researchers, spokespersons and trainers.
21 students participated in the Student Success Center Leadership Academy.
47 youth were part of high-profile mentoring and ‘pay it forward’ through the Young Leaders Connectors project.
8 PYN Youth Ambassadors presented in Harrisburg at a statewide conference on 12/11/08.

PENN SYLVANIA AECP SITES

PYN was contracted by the PA Department of Labor and Industry to provide technical assistance to the 22 Regional Career Education Networks across the Commonwealth.

Expected Lifetime Earnings:

$407,060 High School Dropout
$878,825 High School Diploma/GED
$1,171,844 Some college
$1,701,544 Bachelor Degree
$2,422,623 Master’s Degree or higher

Student Success Centers

Centers at eight neighborhoods high schools that connect students to career exploration, college preparation, academic enrichment and social supports.
6,807 students served.

PYN Academy

Internal professional development system created for PYN staff.
27 workshops offered.
7 required workshops designed.
Minimum of 15 hrs participation for each staff member.

Reports

Research

8 areas of recommendations guided by 9 key principles.

Labor Market

Research

New research showed the fiscal consequences of dropping out of high school by examining the costs to both the individual and to society.
The benefits to government revenues of converting a single Philadelphia high school dropout to a high school graduate equates $380,000 over a working lifetime.

Philadelphia's dropout crisis, focusing on policy, research, stakeholder involvement and the quality and quantity of educational opportunities.

SSC participants had higher average grades.
SSC participants were more likely to be promoted from one grade to the next.

Empowerment,
Learning-to-Work
Youth Collaborative
NC Youth Development Network, First draft December 2008 (final version issued March 2009. Available at www.pyninc.org)
Dear Friends & Colleagues:

This year’s annual report celebrates the continuing expansion of opportunities for high-quality education and career preparation available to Philadelphia youth. These opportunities—offered by an ever-growing set of partners and program providers—are present in neighborhoods and communities all across the City. Our report—

With more than 1,200 WorkReady Philadelphia worksites, five community-based E

the state-wide and national reach of our efforts. As more and more cities and regions seek to learn from our approach as...