



LTYC

**LEADERS OF TOMORROW
YOUTH CENTER**

Our Mission

Leaders of Tomorrow Youth Center is committed to developing positive social development, academic success and creativity in the minds of youth today. Our mission is to teach youth the fundamentals of leadership and encourage them to use their gifts and strengths to promote success and balance in their lives.

Our Core Values

LTYC is guided by its unique set of core values. These core values support our mission, and they shape and identify the culture and character of our organization:

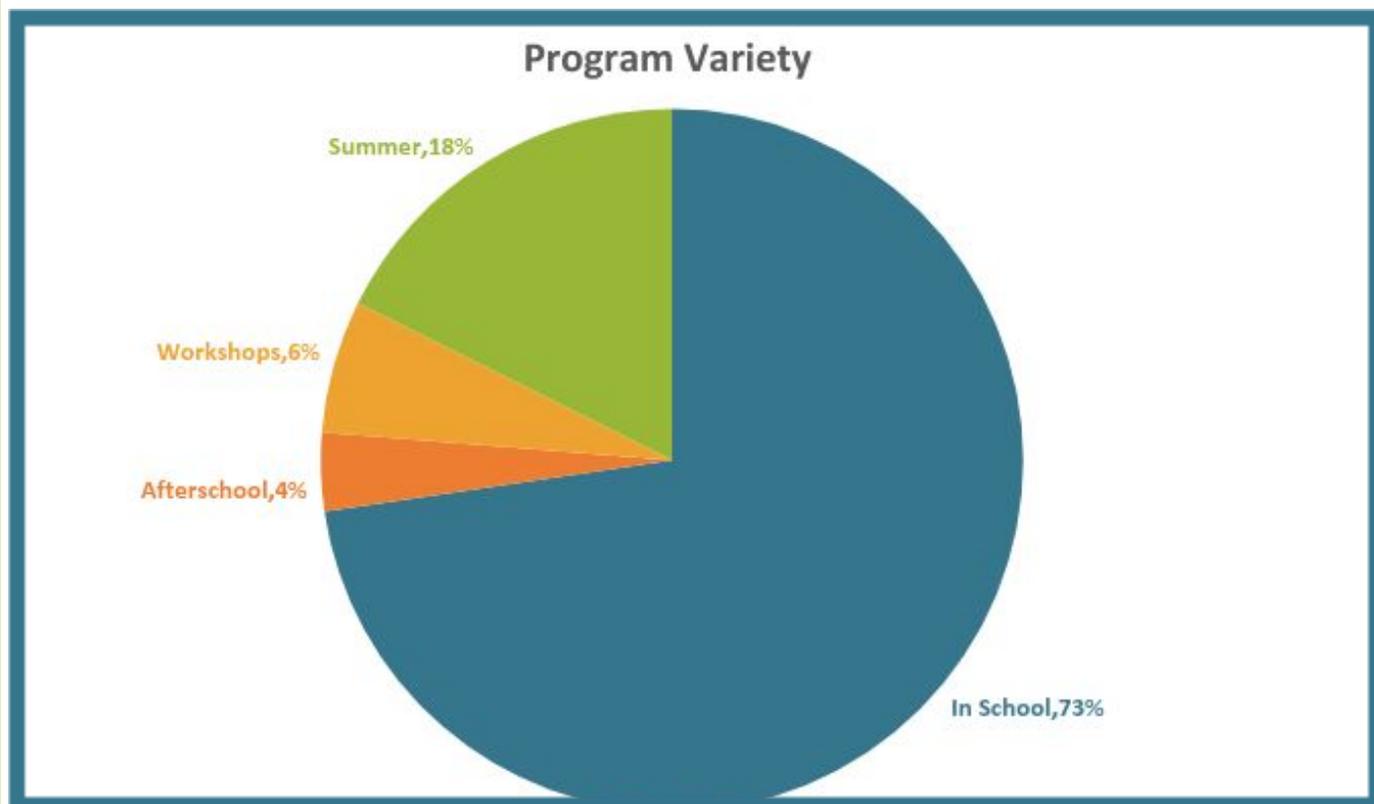
- Building Relationships
- Effective and Professional Leadership
- Demonstrated Student Effectiveness
- Engaging Community Partnerships and Partners
- Delivering High Quality Arts Instruction

Leaders of Tomorrow Youth Center, Inc. is a non-profit organization that supports youth by encouraging excellence in academics, the arts, and social development. **LTYC** has successfully rendered services to youth by providing stable programs that both stimulate innate talents and reinforce academics. Offering a variety of flexible programs, **LTYC** currently partners with over 34 schools and organizations, providing quality arts and life skill programs with superior outcomes. **LTYC** has been an active community partner in Baltimore city and the surround areas for over 10 years. **LTYC** has facilitated workshops since 2003 in the areas of theater, visual arts, dance, music, song writing, with an enriched life skills component that includes literacy, college and career readiness, financial literacy, leadership development, health and nutrition, education on drugs, sex, violence, prevention, mediation and gangs.

We have captured the bigger picture of what today's youth need and what young people are capable of achieving. In addition, we offer a Parent Empowerment Team Program (PET). Utilizing a Clinical approach, the P.E.T Program seeks to bridge the gap of communication between parents and youth and encourage parents to stay involved in every aspect of their child's learning and development. As well as "1-1 arts Support" to youth providing exposure and skills training in the arts to demonstrate to youth the therapeutic component of the arts. In many U.S. schools a comprehensive education inclusive of the arts is denied to underprivileged students in the public school systems. A plethora of credible research examines and identifies the benefits associated with a high-quality arts education, especially for underprivileged students. In many classrooms, arts education has been cut.

Therefore, many students are denied the opportunity to experience arts learning. As a result, the achievement gap between socioeconomic classes is perpetuated. Consequently, lower income students are not performing on the same level as their wealthy peers and ultimately, they do not contribute to society or the economy at the same rate. Research recognizes the arts as core subject matter is a requisite for the future success of all students. Arts education can be an effective and powerful tool to enhance students' overall experience, motivate students, and enable students to perform more efficiently. The research establishes that arts-rich curricula is necessary in order to prepare students for higher education and the global economy, regardless their socioeconomic class. Since 2011 Leaders of Tomorrow Youth Center has provided quality arts education to over 50 schools and over 160,000 students.

2016-2017 Student Participation

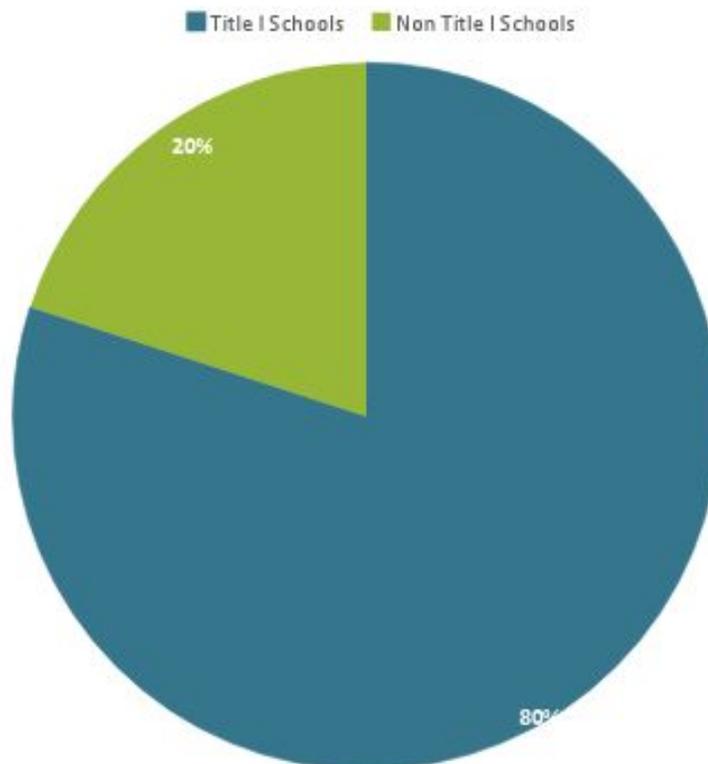


LTYC provides quality *ARTS CORE* programming (Achieving Results by Transforming Students through Creative, Open, Reflective Expression) to underserved youth, residing in urban communities. Some of the programs we offer include STEAM, Behavior Intervention (through creative arts), Dance, Theatre, Music, Visual Arts, Technology and Media Arts, all including cross-curriculum connections. *Through project-based, interactive and engaging activities, students discover innate talents and develop a deeper understanding of themselves and the world around them.* Students are encouraged and nurtured into becoming positively contributing citizens. **LTYC** serves **underprivileged youth** by establishing quality arts programs back into schools in Baltimore City and throughout the State of Maryland. *Each year thousands of students are denied access to equitable education opportunities; we currently serve more than 13,000 of those students in the State of Maryland.* Specifically, in underserved urban communities, quality arts education programming is cut from schools that would benefit from arts interaction the most.

Recognizing Achievement: Achieving Title I Goals

Many schools [that LTYC serves (prior to a partnership with our organization)] offer less than 2 hours a week in one arts education discipline, which is not enough to provide the educational tools needed for student achievement (Green). Access to arts education in city schools has been inconsistent and mediocre for many schools (Green). “Advocates say the arts — which include music, art, theater and dance — have fallen to the bottom of the district's budgets and priority lists, leaving many children with sparse access to such classes” (Green). Leaders of Tomorrow Youth Center, Inc. is committed to contributing to the entire school climate. Through high quality lessons, increasing parental and community involvement, and providing tools needed to achieve healthy and sustainable social outlets, intrapersonal and interpersonal skills, and positive student, family and school interaction. LTYC, in addition to other school factors has played a major role in the positive results each school achieved.

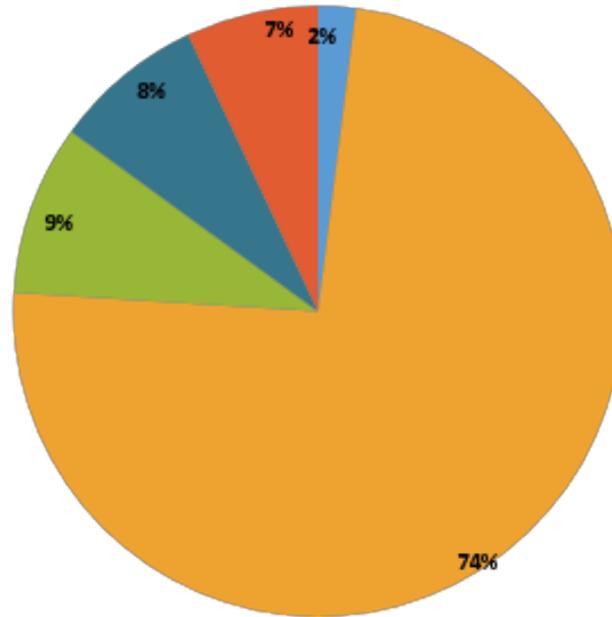
Title I Schools Served



Student Demographics

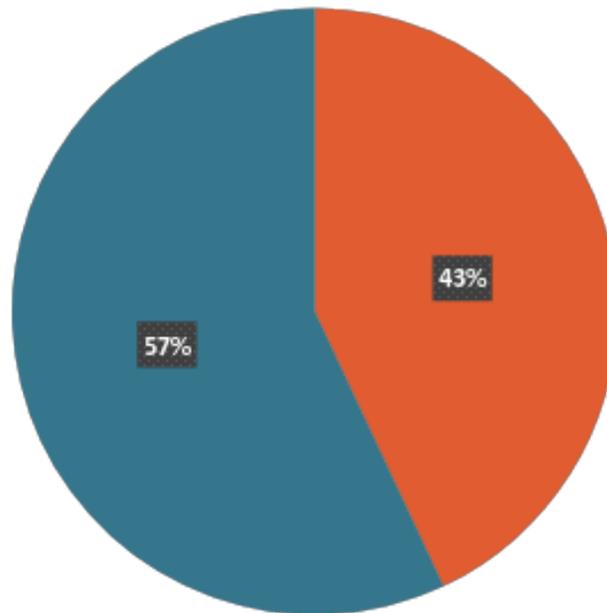
Race

Asian African American Hispanic White 2+ Races



Gender

Male Female

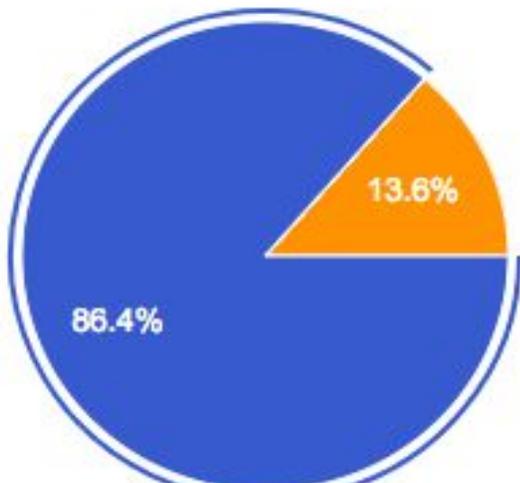


2016-2017 In The Spotlight

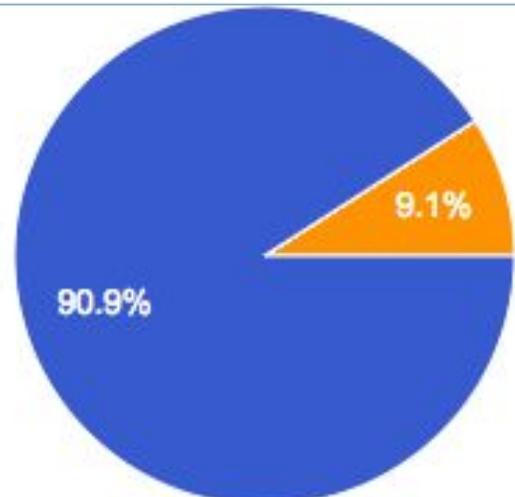


Increasing Parent Engagement: A Deeper Look into Parent Empowerment

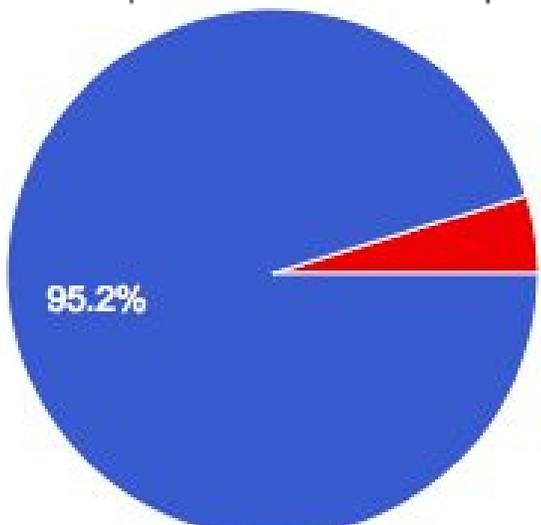
The Parent Empowerment Team (PET) program seeks to increase parent participation in the academic structure of the school, support parents by structuring after school extracurricular activities for students, and empower parents to model excellence and responsibility for the students. PET helps LTYC measure how well the program is being implemented and received by the school and community by establishing attainable objectives, designating timelines for the objectives to be assessed for follow-through, and assessing program outcomes relative to objectives.



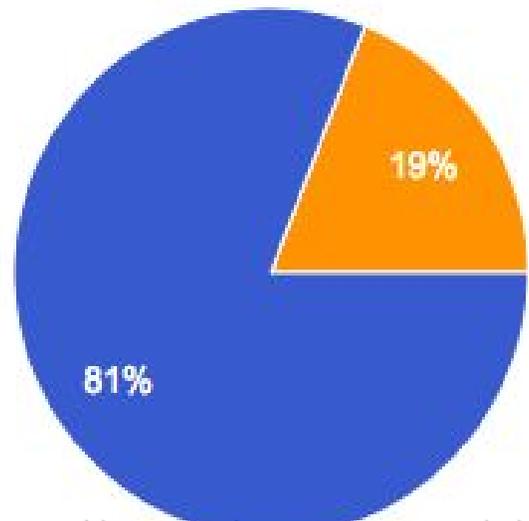
Would you attend other Parent Empowerment Team Workshops?



Was the Parent Empowerment Team Workshop interesting?



Did you find the Parent Empowerment Team sessions helpful?



Would you use the strategies provided at the PET workshop to work with your student at home?



Leaders of Tomorrow Youth Center @Copyright 2018. All rights reserved