

A + B = CD

**Academics + Basketball =
College Degree**

Statement of Need

The success of the formula $A + B = CD$ has been a minor miracle considering a severe lack of resources to support such an endeavor. In order to continue to exist and grow, financial assistance is immediately necessary in the areas of services, transportation expenses, materials, and facilities. To ensure the continuance of such academic feats, we will need extensive tutoring and SAT/ACT preparation courses. In addition, instructional coaching services for our rapidly expanding student population are required. Exposure to college campuses, the United States, and the world can often be the best educational tool. However, the expenses of transportation can sometimes prevent this educational experience. Many physical materials are needed to maintain a program of this caliber. Sports equipment, uniforms, academic awards, and academic supplemental material are crucial. FDA's facilities are severely limited and inefficient. Access to additional facilities and construction of a new complex is essential.

Components of FDA Lions A + B = CD Program

Program Services

1. Year-round mentoring, tutoring, and coaching for 105 students in grades 6-12. (Fifteen students per grade level)
2. Year-round daily/weekly study halls and academic meetings.
3. Weekly academic progress reports.
4. 80+ academic average requirement on six (6) report cards for interscholastic competition.
5. Volunteer programs with Special Olympics ,NYC Parks and students with disabilities
6. Fundraising by the student-athletes with grade-level goals.

7. Parent orientation and parent volunteer requirements.
8. Mandatory supplemental SAT course for all 11th grade students.
9. Mandatory conditioning sessions, film review, and basketball clinics.
10. Two high school Varsity level teams a Junior Varsity Team and two middle school teams.
11. Four "Harlem Lions" spring and summer teams.

Transportation Expenses

1. Eight (8) incentive-based weekend college trips for students with 80+ averages.
2. Van/Bus rental for interscholastic games.

Materials / Awards

1. Summer camps for students with 80+ averages on June report cards.

2. Work-Study scholarships for graduating seniors or current college students.
3. Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Spring Alumni reunion dinners.
4. Academic Award Ceremonies after all six (6) report cards.
5. Academic Enrichment Program on college campuses.

Each of the above noted components seeks to address and remediate behavior. We have a proven program of success. In order for it to continue and expand, we ask you to consider funding a component that fits within your scope of interest.

Proposed Budget for FDA Lions A + B = CD Program

Program Services (Total = \$94,040)

A. Instructional

1) Tutoring – seven (7) certified teachers/tutors, one per grade level 40 weeks x 2 hours x \$38 x 7 tutors = \$21,280

2) Peer Tutors – seven (7) senior students, one per grade level 40 weeks x 3 hours x \$7 x 7 students = \$5,880

3) Coaching – eight (8) coaches, four head coaches and four assistants 40 weeks x 4 hours x \$38 x 8 coaches = \$48,640

4) Teaching – one (1) math/science teacher and one (1) English/history teacher 40 weeks x 2 hours x \$38 x 2 teachers = \$6,080

5) SAT Prep teachers – one (1) reading/writing and one (1) math instructor 40 weeks x 4 hours x \$38 x 2 teachers = \$12,160

Transportation Expenses (Total = \$59,000)

A. Trips

1) College Visits – eight (8) visits, \$6000 x 8 = \$48,000

2) Holiday Tournaments – one (1), \$6000 B.
Interscholastic Games

1) Van rental - \$5000

Materials / Awards (Total = \$41,000)

- A. Equipment - \$3000 per year
- B. Uniforms - \$3000 every three years
- C. Academic Awards - \$5000
- D. Summer Sports Camp Awards - \$20,000
- E. Academic Enrichment Programs - \$10,000

Facilities (Total = \$4,000,000)

- A. New Complex (classrooms, offices, gym, fitness center) - \$4,000,000

Description of Components of FDA Lions A + B = CD Program

I. Program Services

Acquisition and maintenance of professional instructors, tutors, mentors, and coaches is a key aspect of the program. Academic support is provided by peer tutors, teachers, and senior mentors. SAT preparation is a must for all college bound students but is very expensive. All students are required to attend daily study halls, submit weekly progress reports, and volunteer. Our motto is, "Learn today, so tomorrow you will play."

II. Transportation Expenses

Exposure, exposure, exposure!!! This is the key. The more that we can expose our students to colleges and new places, the more we can change student perceptions about themselves and their futures.

Taking young men to meet colleges helps them to develop a future orientation. The students language, body language and self-esteem starts to change as they begin to say, " When I go to college..." not "If I go to college..." This transformation does not occur over night, but it does occur after making the investment of time, energy, and resources. We are preparing the funding of eight (8) college trips and one Holiday Tournament every year.

III. Materials and Awards

Supplies are always needed. Replenishment of athletic equipment is always necessary. You will have a chance to change the life of a student by funding Academic Awards, Summer Sports Camp Awards, and Academic Enrichment Programs. Academic Awards for each report card serve as reminders for what is most important, academic success. Summer Sports Camp Awards are annual accolades for deserving students. Academic Enrichment Programs on college campuses can be the bridge to college acceptance for many young men.

IV. Facilities

Our current facilities are grossly inadequate because of size and availability. A new building with classrooms, offices, a gymnasium, and a fitness center would give our students equitable opportunity to compete with the majority of young people in America.

Evaluation

I. Program Services

At the end of each week, students are required to submit a progress report. This is evaluated by the grade-level teacher. At the end of each report card (six-week period), students' academic standing is reviewed. Finally, at the end of the school year, students' transcripts are examined. Also, attendance, credits accumulated, and the number of students achieving an 80+ average will be recorded. It is expected that there will be a five percent increase in academic productivity for all these areas. Our most important goal of achieving four college acceptances for each of our seniors will be recorded.

II. Transportation Expenses

A minimum of one-hundred student visits to college campuses is our annual goal if we are able to complete eight (8) college trips. Also, all students in attendance must write an analysis and reaction paper.

III. Materials and Awards

Our goal is to place twenty (20) students in Summer Sports Camps, ten (10) students in Academic Enrichment Programs, and (10) recipients of Work-Study Scholarships each year. Also, at our Academic Award Ceremonies our goal is to award fifteen (15) young men after each report card.

IV. Facilities

Our goal for the new facility is to service the underserved student population of New York City high school students by providing programs for 1000 Frederick Douglass Academy college preparatory students.