



My name is Sandra Bivens and I'm a retired teacher and education administrator.

I'm originally from New York and moved to Maryland from South Carolina over a year ago. Professionally and personally, I have always been a strong advocate for youth empowerment by encouraging children and teens to become active, productive members of their families, schools and communities. Empowering youth makes them more likely to take risks, overcome challenges, and embrace new opportunities. It can facilitate developing a strong sense of self and self-esteem.

In essence, young people can thrive by providing them opportunities, fostering positive relationships, and furnishing the support needed to build on their leadership strengths and interests. Most importantly, they can explore various options to develop further via higher education, vocation training, employment and entrepreneurship to achieve their full potential.