

Big Brothers Big Sisters Board Report November 2023

Participants:

- # of School Based Matches - 61 Littles, 65 Bigs. We will match them within a month.
- # of Community Based Matches - 50.

Program Highlights:

- During our Advisory Council Mtg on November 13th, plans were finalized for our annual golf event in 2024. This will take place on Sunday, June 9th, at Sunset Ridge Golf Course in Marcellus.

Upcoming Events:

Holiday Party...Sunday Dec 3rd...11:00 - 1:00...at Bishop Ludden

Advisory Council Mtg...Monday Dec 11th...Zoom....5:30 pm

Holiday Breakfast (for littles)...hosted by Macy's at Destiny...Saturday Dec. 9th...9:00 am

Success Story:

Immediately below was our success story from October. In the paragraph below that is a follow up Part 2.

One of our bigs coaches girls' basketball at CBA. He recently connected his little with the Bridge Brothers program at the school. This program gives inner city kids the opportunity to come to CBA during the summer and school vacations to focus on academic success and enrichment. The big is also looking to get his little accepted into CBA for 7th grade and hopefully be enrolled with tuition waived.

The big mentioned in our success story in October has been matched with his little for 10 months now. Coincidentally, the little made his school's honor roll for the very first time in his life this past marking period. The little's mom said that her son was never an issue academically, but at the same time has never earned any sort of honor for high achievement. Coincidence?

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From the BBBSA 2021 Impact Statement.....

Educational success encompasses: Academic Performance, School Connectedness, and Educational Expectations. In 2021, Littles experienced significant gains* on Academic Performance, showing improvement in their grades. A high baseline score for school connectedness, even without significant change, suggests Littles started from a place of strength in terms of feeling engaged in their own education. Littles also experienced significant gains* in Education Expectations. Most notably, 96% of Littles in 2021 made or strengthened plans for finishing high school and/or pursuing college. This persistence toward educational goals indicates the young people we empower are on the path to graduate with a plan for their future.