# Inspiring and preparing young people to succeed



August 2009



Dear Christine,

We hope you are enjoying the summer!

We are launching a 15-year survey of our program graduates. Please forward this to any past students you know and ask them to complete it by October 1st. Click <u>here</u> to take the survey.

Please be sure to save the date for our November 7th wine tasting event in Troy...more details to come.

Take care, Kris Marshall President & CEO

#### Celebrating Success - College Bound



On August 26th, I will begin what I call the next step in my life. I will be attending Macomb Community College as a full-time student. The major reason I am furthering my education is my mentor, Todd Luke, from Fitzpatrick Manufacturing.

Winning Futures, along with Todd, gave me the extra push and a "failing is not an option" mentality that I desperately needed. Winning Futures helped me identify myself as a person and successfully set up goals to keep me on the right track. Winning Futures not only gave me the inspiration to succeed, but the empowerment to follow my own dreams and be an individual.

I cannot stress how grateful I am for being a part of Winning Futures. All of the Winning Futures supporters and volunteers should feel a great deal of self-satisfaction because they have provided the Winning Futures organization with the tools to do what they do and given me and students, just like me, everything they have.

~James - Community High School 2009 Graduate Winning Futures Scholarship Recipient

Mentors Needed

"Mentoring is my port in the storm of my day - the students refresh my soul and give me the right perspective for the rest of my business week!"

~Patti Gendernalik, Kelly Services, Mentor and Board Member



### Mentors are needed for the 2009-2010 School Year!

All mentors are trained prior to starting the structured, activity-based program.

Contact Laurie at <u>laurie@winningfutures.org</u> by August 26th to learn more or sign up by completing a mentor application. Simply click here, <u>Mentor Application</u>, to get started.

Pontiac High School	Tuesdays 8:15am & 9:20am January - May (weekly)
Community High School	Wednesdays 9:20am & 10:25am November - May (bi-weekly)
Warren Mott High School	Thursdays 8:15am & 9:20am October - May (bi-weekly)
Cousino High School	Thursdays 12:05pm October - May (bi-weekly)



# Wish List

#### Sixty USB Thumb Drives Needed

If you have any USB thumb drives you could donate, please contact Laurie at <u>laurie@winningfutures.org</u> or call her at 586-698-4536. We are collecting these throughout the year to enable students to save important job readiness materials, including resumes.

## Sponsor Highlight - SRG Global

SRG Global, formally Guardian Automotive, has been a supporter of Winning Futures since 2002. Not only are they a Bronze Sponsor, SRG Global also has employees serve as mentors and on our Board of Directors. SRG Global is making positive impact on the community and we thank you!

To learn more about SRG Global, please visit them online at <u>http://www.siegelrobertautomotive.com/</u>.

### **Contact Information**

27500 Cosgrove, Warren, Michigan 48092 (586) 294-8449

www.WinningFutures.org

Make a Donation Forward to a Friend

SUCCESS