



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF PAWTUCKET**

Case Statement: Academic Success

The best way to predict the future is to create it. At the Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket, we are creating a new and brighter future for thousands of young people. We help young people ages 6-18 to reach their full potential through a program of youth development that emphasizes career and academic preparedness, healthy lifestyles, confidence through the arts, and character and good citizenship. Our vision is to inspire and enable the young people of Pawtucket and surrounding communities, especially those with greatest need, to realize their full potential as healthy, productive, responsible, and caring citizens. We offer programming each weekday after school to a membership that is approximately 4,000 strong. Each day anywhere from 300 to 450 kids come to our Club. Membership is open to all young people and costs only \$40 per child, per year.

The need for an Out-of-School Time Program that supports the academic development of local youth is quite evident.

- **In 2018, 10% of 8th graders in Pawtucket and less than 1% in Central Falls were proficient in reading.**
- **79% of students in Pawtucket and 75% in Central Falls graduate from high school within 4 years.**
- **Only 34% of 12th graders in Central Falls and 51% in Pawtucket filled out the FAFSA in 2014.**

The data analysis of our statistical outcome measures demonstrates the Club-wide impact that staff and programs have on our members:

- **100% of teen members, and 95% of our pre-teens, expect to compete high school or higher.**
- **Our pre-teens understand the significance of their education: 86% of them believe school is important or very important.**
- **74% of teen members, and 85% of pre-teens, said that math was easy for them.**
- **In 2018 and 2019, 100% of our older teen members reported that they understand the education and training, including the costs, they'll need for the career they want.**

When you make an investment in the Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket, you change the future for thousands of young people. Please consider joining us as a catalyst for community change with your thoughtful investment in youth. Every child deserves a great future – with a safe place to go and the support to successfully progress through school and graduate with a viable plan. Your gift to the Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket makes this possible!