

## **Summer STAND Students Taking a New Direction**

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(Summer-STAND) is an identifiable group of elementary and middle school aged students assuming a major responsibility for their own leadership and facilitated by High School Mentors and Group Leaders

Summer STAND meets 3 days a week for six weeks, addressing five program components in a variety of ways.

The Five Program Components of STAND Dearborn Are:

**1. Leadership and Skill Development.** This component is designed to enhance social competencies that, in turn, will decrease acceptance of and involvement in school violence and drug use.

**2. Community Service.** “The greatest mistake of all is to do nothing if you can only do a little.” –  
Sir John Golding

**STAND** is a force of good in their school, home and Dearborn community. The student’s reach out to friends, neighbors, classmates, community groups, senior citizens and animals in need.

- 3. Community/Family Participation.** We encourage community members, family and other caring adults to take part in all of our Summer STAND activities. Parents are our student's first teachers and we want them to experience the essence of Summer STAND so that they may reinforce the Summer STAND commitment at home and in our community.
- 4. Activities.** Summer STAND provides a plethora of activities for the students to do throughout their summer to instill **empathy** skills, raising self esteem, sportsmanship, thinking before they act or speak, anger management techniques, character building lessons-to name just a few.
- 5. Personal Safety.** "Sticks and Stones Will Break Your Bones, But Words Will Break Your Heart." STAND promotes kindness, anti-bullying and teasing, being an **Upstander** not a **Bystander**, the Core Values, and the Golden Rule:

**Treat Others the Way You Want To Be Treated**

Summer STAND is a unique opportunity to spend three days a week with caring leaders and mentors.

Summer STAND is perfect for the student who needs a **little extra TLC**. We focus on character education, team building activities, and most of all creating a community of caring people.

