Geneva 2020 Internship
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BACKGROUND
- I participated in this internship for academic credit through the GCIP 401: Geneva Collaborative Internship Program (CIP)
- This requires students to put in 15-20 hours of work in each week for a full semester.

Geneva 2020’s goals:
- Kindergarten readiness (age 0-5 development)
- Literacy Success
- STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Design and Math) Success
- Graduation Rate Improvement
- College and Career Readiness

PURPOSE
During my internship I volunteered at West Street and North Street Schools as well as became involved in weekly PAWS nights and Geneva Reads through events like Book Fest
- At West Street I became involved in the Headstart
  - Program designed to promote school readiness of children under 5 from low-income families through education, health, social and other services
- My time at North Street School was primarily taken in a fifth grade classroom
  - These students all had some sort of learning disability or hindrance

Next Steps

Ready Rosie

WHAT IS IT?
- This program involving 1-2 minutes video with easy to use household items
- Platform for parents to become active players in their child’s education
- Program incorporates communication between classroom and home while also promoting
  - STEAM
  - Math
  - Literary
  - Kindergarten Readiness
- Videos based on the curriculums taught in schools

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT FOR THE GENEVA COMMUNITY?
- Promotes family engagement
- Creating lasting impacts on the student as they continue up through elementary, middle, and high school
- Establishing a strong connection with the school, parent, and student
- Helps promote the best type of education the student could have, providing a line of support in the program and also at home

How did my internship promote community partnership?
- I dove into the community as I established relationships with UPK and fifth grade students
- These two ages are critical for kids growth and development
- Geneva 2020 enabled me to establish relationships not only with kids in the community but with staff and administrators
- By being at events at the Geneva Community Center, Geneva Reads Book Fest, and becoming involved in what was happening in the Geneva community through PAWS night I have become an active player in the Geneva community

Governance Structure

Collaborative Action Networks:
- Comprised of meeting emerging groups and coalitions, including, area, cities, and other experts. Specific responsibilities include:
  1. Identify vital community initiatives and concerns to influence these initiatives and group performance through your volunteer work.
  2. Identify successful strategies and commit to implementing them in practice.
  3. Communicate progress to Steering Committee

Steering Committee:
- Comprised of key cross-sector leaders from across the Geneva community, provides strategic guidance, identifies priorities, and authority. In charge of steering committees to achieve Geneva 2020 goals and initiatives, key public champions

GOAL 1 Kindergarten Readiness
GOAL 2 Graduation Rate (K–12)
GOAL 3 Career Readiness