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CI REDS IN ACTION

WE'RE HERE TO LEARN, WE'RE HERE TO PLAY,
WE'RE HERE TO WORK HARD!



Welcome 2015 CI-REDS!

The team here at the Reds Rookie Success League Dayton would like to welcome you to the first edition of our weekly newsletter. We are proud to welcome Dayton's 6th year participating with the program!

A big thank you is owed to members from all over the Dayton community for making the 2015 RRSLS possible. We must work together to make this community an even better place, and your participation and cooperation are what help shape the Dayton community into what it is today. We hope that as the weeks progress, we will be able to inspire a positive change in the lives of all those involved in the program, both young and old.

As a new intern for the Reds Rookie Success League, I wasn't sure what to expect on Opening Week. After months and months of careful planning, The Reds Rookie Success League started off with bang! Even with unplanned events such as buses arriving early, inclement weather, and unregistered children and volunteers, the team was able to pull it off with a little patience and a little extra effort.

Despite the commotion of the first day, the rookies did not seem to be bothered by the little bit of rain and busyness. Returning campers of the Reds Rookie Success League were eager to tell me how excited they were to be there, and continuously asked me whether, "such and such" would be there or when the first game would be. I hardly knew these children, yet they felt so at home with me simply for being at the camp, and simply because I wore a t-shirt with the re-assuring word "COACH" written across the front.

As a first year intern and volunteer, I can see the sheer love and excitement that these children

have for the program, even in my very first day being there. A simple smiling face seemed to light up their world. The positive energy that these children bring to the Reds Rookie Success League is enough to motivate anyone to become a part of such a beautiful, wonderful program. I am here to learn and grow, and I am so excited to see what is to come!

On behalf of the entire Reds Rookie Success League, I am happy to announce that this year's Opening Week was a huge success! Again, thank you to all those involved for making this fantastic program possible, and a special thank you to the Action Sports Center in Dayton for providing such a wonderful facility for our program. As the Newsletter Editor, I look forward to updating you on all of the wonderful things going on here at the Reds Rookie Success League, and you can expect that we're always here to learn, play, and work hard!

-Joey Lingat

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SPIRIT

What The CI-REDS Learned This Week:

MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2015

On Monday, the rookies were quickly ushered into the Action Sports Center due to rain in order to begin the Opening Ceremony, though the weather did not seem to interfere with our fun! During this time, Masters of Ceremony Chris Aarone and Marge Murphy headed an exciting opening rally! The children were pumped as Chris taught them the CI-REDS chant:

“CI-REDS?”

“YEAH!”

“CI-REDS?”

“YEAH!!”

“WHAT ARE WE HERE FOR?”

“WE’RE HERE TO LEARN, WE’RE HERE TO PLAY,
WE’RE HERE TO...WORK HARD!”

The rookies were also taught the “Six Stars of Success” that our league strives to live by. Chris and Marge lead the children in excellent character building activities, such as learning how to incorporate the stars of success within the community, and teaching them what they will learn throughout the program. The entire league then observed the American flag, and sang to songs such as the *Star-Spangled Banner* and baseball classic *Take Me Out to the Ball Game*, a ritual the league will practice each day throughout the program. Children then met with their assigned coaches, and participated in team activities, such as kickball and group movie time. After the rally, children were able to meet their teammates and coaches. New friends were made, hand holding and high fives were given, and the entire Reds Rookie Success League truly began to come together. The rookies then participated in team building activities such as a game of kickball, and group movie time! What an exhilarating first day at the Reds Rookie Success League!

This Week’s Star of Success:

COOPERATION

Working with teachers and mentors in order to accomplish a goal.

TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2015

Thankfully by Tuesday the sun came out, and the teams were able to get out onto the field! The children began the day by honoring the flag, and by singing the national anthem. They then dispersed in an orderly fashion to their assigned stations. These stations included: The Dayton Police Department and K-9 Unit, Sensei Sukh Sandhu and his students from the Gi Yu Dojo, and field time, where children were taught how to catch and throw.

Throughout the stations, the rookies learned Tuesday’s Star Character Trait of Success, which was **COOPERATION**.

Officers from the Dayton Police Department taught the rookies how to cooperate by demonstrating how they interact with the K-9 dog unit. Children watched as officers and dogs cooperated with each other by following commands and working together. Children were in awe at how well the dogs listened and obeyed commanding officers. There were many questions about how they get the dogs to listen so well, and the officers emphasized how important it was to cooperate with them on a daily basis in order to teach them how to operate within the unit.

Sensei Sukh Sandhu and his team taught the children cooperation by displaying their great discipline with one another, and by teaching the teams actual Jiu Jitsu moves! The martial artists worked together as they demonstrated different fighting situations, and showed how important it is to cooperate in order to not injure one another. Sensei Sukh Sandhu explained carefully to the children that without cooperation, we cannot succeed in life.

The children truly enjoyed the guidance of their mentors, and have already begun demonstrating their “Stars of Success” by cooperating well with each other through out the day.



Mikayla Stambaugh and Lauryn Pate from Team #7 show cooperation out on the field!

Introducing This Week's Character Trait Mentors:

1

Chris Arrone

Chris is a native Daytonian, and since joining the Reds Rookie Success Team three years ago, he has done nothing but contributed greatly to the program. Chris comes from a large family, and is familiar with being raised in an inner city environment. His experience is what makes him such a terrific mentor for our rookies. He believes that hard work, and good ethics are what help you to succeed. Chris graduated from Central State University in 2013, and continues to further his career as a manager at Enterprise Rent-A-Car. The rookies here at RRSL show great respect for this man with his shining personality, and is someone that we are truly fortunate to have on our team.



2.

Marge Murphy

The Murphy family has been involved with the Reds Rookie Success League for the past five years, and has served as incredible support to the program. As a Rally Leader, Marge does an excellent job getting our rookies pumped and eager to learn. Her passion and dedication to the Reds Rookie Success League truly shows through the enthusiasm that she exudes when leading the children. Marge's own children also have volunteered in the League, and continue to use what they have learned from their experience to positively impact those in their communities. We are so appreciative for everything that Marge and her family do for the program. The Murphy family makes such an excellent team, and we are so grateful for all that they have contributed.



Pictured Right: Rookies and Coaches enjoy the company of the Dayton Police Officers, along with their K-9 pals Thor and Baron!

3.

Dayton Police Department and K-9 Unit

The Dayton Police Department strive to make the community a safe and friendly environment, and what better way to ensure this than to educate Dayton's youth? Officers Dan Reynolds and Ted Trupp, along with their K-9 partners, Thor and Baron, do an excellent job of sharing their knowledge with the Reds Rookie Success League. The Dayton Police Department is very involved with the program, as their Lieutenant Andrew Booher sits in on the planning committee throughout the year. The Dayton Police Department's support and involvement with our rookies truly makes a difference in shaping our community's future, and their work within the community is highly respected.

4.

Sensei Sukh Sandhu and the Students of Gi Yu Dojo

Sensei Sukh Sandhu and his team share the philosophy that the core traits instilled in martial arts translate into everyday life. Their demonstration of character traits such as respect, obedience, and cooperation served as a shining example to our rookies. Sensei Sukh Sandhu is a first generation immigrant, and from his experience has lived through the hardships of having to build an entire life from almost nothing. His positive attitude is what has gotten him where he is today, a business owner, senior vice president in the financial services industry, and phenomenal martial arts instructor. The generosity and servitude of both Sukh Sandhu and his team are greatly respected and appreciated by the entire Reds Rookies Team.



A Word From The Director...



Well, the first week is behind us. There is always a level of nervousness as we approach the first day, as much as you plan you always worry about things like: Will the camp run smoothly? Will the buses arrive on time? Will all the volunteers be there? Hope the kids like the food..etc. Like any opening week, we had our bumps, but they seemed to be a lot smaller than in the past. The kids were checked in and ready to go by 10am, just like the plan. In fact, they were early. This has never happened before!! We could actually provide all the day one content we had hoped to. It was great to see the level of engagement and smiles on the campers' faces. We are excited about the coming weeks, and the many surprises we have in store!

-Mike Murphy
RRSL Director

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!

This week of the RRSL program, over 200 Reds Rookies and volunteers enjoyed delicious lunches from Hot Head Burrito and **one** bistro. On Monday the camp enjoyed a fantastic Mexican feast, which included a rice bowl with choice of meat and veggies. On Tuesday, the camp chowed down on delectable cheeseburgers, chips, and an apple served straight from **one** bistro's "kitchen on wheels" food truck. Thank you so much for your contribution to our team! Your generosity of self and gift of food is truly appreciated.

Pictured Right: The One Bistro Team awaits our hungry rookies as lunchtime approaches.



Thank you to our sponsors and mentors from Gi Yu Dojo!

Sukh Sandhu Doug Sunnenberg
Todd Engelman Adam Ciarlariello
Will Grilliot Laura Benton
Andreas Syllaba Jeff Orzechowski
Zach Orzechowski Jake Orzechowski
Shirley Chase David Fitzpatrick
Charlee Fitzpatrick Rose Fitzpatrick
Graylyne Fitzpatrick

Pictured Left: The Gi Yu Dojo Team teaches children star character traits for success.

2015 Reds Rookie Success League Calendar

June 15: INTEGRITY

With special guest mentors: **Steve Staub**, President of Staub Manufacturing Solutions; and **David Hiteshew**, a recently retired school teacher and a 6 year veteran of the RRSL program.

Lunch Provided By: Skyline Chili a Coney Buffet.

June 16: RESPECT

With special guest mentors: **Mike McQuinn** of Kettering – CIRCLES; Lt. Andrew Booher with the **DPD SWAT** and **Negotiations & Hostage** Teams.

Lunch provided by: **Pizza Factory**

June 22: EDUCATION

With special guest mentors: **Jo Groth** of Jogasomatic Arts; and **Ashley Stanko** of Dayton Children's Hospital.

Lunch Provided By: **Panera Bread/Covelli Enterprises**

June 23: DETERMINATION

With special guest mentors: **David Hiteshew**; Lt. Andrew Booher with the **Dayton Firetruck and Fire Prevention Team**.

Lunch Provided By: **Smashburgers**

Xenia Scouts Game @ 7PM

June 29: SPIRIT

With special guest mentors: **Tonya Lee Carrie** of God's Freedom Fighters Int'l; and **Dr. Glenn Faircloth** (TBD), Superintendent of Loraine County JVS, Cleveland.

Lunch Provided By: **one** bistro

June 30: FINAL DAY OF CAMP

With special mentors: **Ret. Mjr. Odell Graves** with the ROTC Colorguard; and **Lt. Andrew Booher** with the **DPD Motorcycle and Bike Teams**.

Independence Day Cookout Celebration

Lunch Provided By: **CareSource, Walmart, Dorothy Lane Market**

Dayton Dragon's Game @7PM



Thank you Panera Bread @ The Greene!

Panera Bread @ The Greene has shown such dedication and support to our program. They have and will continue to provide us with fresh baked bagels and fruit every morning of the camp.

Watch for the Donation Canisters next to their registers. Please support us by supporting

It is never too late to become a volunteer!

If you or someone you know has a passion for making a difference in both the lives of others and the community, please join our team today! Email rrsl Dayton@reds.com in order to receive more information on how to become a CI-RED team member!