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# If applicable, Referring Agency Completing Form: School District the Student Attends: Parent's/Caregiver's Name(s): If applicable, Referring Contact Person: List ages of those who will attend childcare Will you need childcare for younger siblings? Parent Phone Number(s): Referral Source Phone Number: Student's Name: Grade Level

RETURN THIS PORTION:

Age Yes

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Family Mailing Address

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A FREE 7 Session Program for families with children ages 10-14!!

**Start Date:** 

Wednesday, March 6, 2019

Location:

**Behavioral Health Commission** 8406 Sharon Mercer Rd Mercer



Dinner: 5:30-6:00pm

Program: 6:00-8:00pm



**Strengthening Families Program:** For Parents and Youth 10-14 Program developed at Iowa State University



### Strengthening Families Program (SFP 10-14) for Parents & Youth Ages 10-14

#### **WHAT TO EXPECT:**

- A FUN filled family program where each participant is treated with dignity and respect.
- **SFP** focuses on parents' and youths' already existing strengths.
- **Dinner** is provided promptly at 5:30pm each session.
- At 6:00pm, parents and youth ages 10-14 separate into individual sessions. Also during this time, younger siblings go to the **childcare** room.
- At 7:00pm, youth re-join parents and the family session runs until 8:00pm.
- Weekly prizes and give-aways are an exciting part of the program!
- Space is limited, register today!
   Registration information is included on the back side of the brochure as well as who to contact with questions.
- Read on to see what topics are discussed and what Mercer County families are saying about the program!

#### PARENT SESSION TOPICS

- \*How to show love & set limits
- \*How to make house rules
- \*Ways to encourage good behavior
- \*When to use consequences
- \*How to protect against substance abuse
- \*How to use community resources

#### **YOUTH SESSION TOPICS**

\*Setting Goals & Dreams

\*Appreciating Parents



- \*Dealing with Stress
- \*Following Rules
- \*Handling Peer Pressure

\*Reaching Others

#### **FAMILY SESSION TOPICS**

- \*Importance of supporting goals & dreams
- \*Value of appreciating family members
- \*Power of understanding <u>family values</u>
- \*Impact of building family communication



## WHAT MERCER CO FAMILIES ARE SAYING ABOUT SFP:

- "I learned to communicate with my daughter more effectively."
- "I learned to set limits without losing my cool."
- "This program provided us tools for family improvement."
- "I learned to listen to what my son's feelings are."
- "The Strengthening Families Program brought our family closer together."
- "I liked knowing we weren't alone in the issues we have. Our family looked forward to coming to the program each week. We are even going to keep in touch with another family we met here."
- "I learned I can talk over the problem without yelling."
- "I learned that youth have feelings, needs, and stresses."
- "SFP is fun and they treat you kindly."
- "I liked that I could spend time with my mom."
- "The most valuable thing I learned is respect and patience."