



MAY is FOSTER CARE AWARENESS MONTH



Nationwide, there are over 400,000 youth residing in foster care. Despite this alarming number many of these youth are thriving and increasing their chances of obtaining their dreams of graduating from high school. We know this cannot be done without the support of great individuals who make a difference in their lives. Individuals such as teachers, principals, nurses, Pupil Services and Attendance Counselors, Psychiatric Social Workers, and other support personnel who are dedicated to ensuring that the level of foster youth achievement rises, by providing foster youth with opportunities to reach their full potential.

You can make a difference too! Throughout the month of May, wear your blue ribbon and show your support for foster youth. Continue to advocate and be an ally!

Here are some things that you can do at your school to show support. If you have a DAY...

Learn the facts and share them with the staff at your school site.
Learn about the services offered for foster youth at your school site.

If you have an HOUR...

Post an article promoting Foster Care Awareness Month in your school's newsletter or website. Create a bulletin board on your school campus to highlight and celebrate Foster Care Awareness Month.

If you have a MINUTE...

Wear a blue ribbon.

Make an announcement during your school's announcement time; letting everyone know that May is Foster Care Awareness month.

Meet your school's School-Site Foster Care Liaison and /or Foster Youth Achievement Program Counselor. Ask what you can do to help support the foster youth at your school.

