

Incorporate Asset-Building into policy

Asset-building policy statements: policies to help kids thrive!

Below are examples of policy statements that can be used and adapted to suit your organization's needs.

Our organization is like a second home to many. All who enter through our doors will be greeted with a warm smile and a helpful hand.

To recognize that family time is important, we will not host any community events on Wednesday and Friday nights.

Child and youth voices are important in the success of our organization. Their voices will be heard in program development and staff recognition.

All children will regularly receive positive communication to take home.

Parents will have many opportunities to visit with their children in our organization.

Parents are key partners in student success and have a right to information, input and an opportunity to give feedback.

All adults who come into contact with children and youth in our organization are expected to behave as positive role models and caring citizens.

Volunteers bring strength to our organizations and in return we develop our volunteers to their full potential by offering them opportunities and meaningful recognition.

All communication going out to the community via newsletters, newspapers, brochures, etc. need to have a child's voice. For example, art work, quotes, stories.

In our organization we strive to greet the child first, and then the adult.

Because our children and youth have so much to teach us, we provide opportunities for them to mentor each other and share their stories with us.

Discipline is seen as an opportunity to learn something new.

Risk-taking is encouraged and is viewed as creativity.

Every effort is made to sustain positive relationships between adults and children.

We value our children's voices in the budget process. We endeavor to ask the children what they think we should spend money on for the upcoming year and allocate funds accordingly.