

NECAC COUNTY SERVICE CENTERS

For more information about any of the programs operated by NECAC, please contact your local NECAC County Service Centers.

- * Macon County Service Center
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- * Shelby County Service Center
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- * Lewis County Service Center
573-288-3969
- * Marion County Service Center
573-221-7196
- * Ralls County Service Center
573-985-2411
- * Pike County Service Center
573-324-2207
- * Lincoln County Service Center
636-528-7604
- * St. Charles County Service Center
636-272-3477
- * Warren County Service Center
636-456-8191
- * Montgomery County Service Center
573-564-3606
- * Monroe County Service Center
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- * Randolph County Service Center
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Community Action is pledged to the idea of people becoming self-sufficient and participating in their communities' economic and social progress, not dependent on dwindling state and local resources.

Since community action was created in 1965, our mission has been: "Empowering People, Changing Lives, Building Communities."

Other community service programs and opportunities that you may be interested in for your high school youth are:

- ♦ **Poverty Simulations**
- ♦ **Youth Leadership**
- ♦ **Step Up to Leadership Classes**
- ♦ **Hunger Banquets**
- ♦ **Life Skill Classes**

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NORTH EAST COMMUNITY ACTION CORPORATION (NECAC)

REALITY ENRICHMENT AND LIFE LESSONS (REALL)



A SIMULATION EXPERIENCE FOR YOUTH WHERE YOUNG PEOPLE GET AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN ADULT- LEVEL LIFE EXPERIENCES!

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During the first part of the simulation, youth are presented with the life of someone who has made reactive choices. Youth are then challenged to “Live the Life” of this persona, including experiencing the consequences of any reactive choices that have been made in their character’s life.

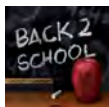
Following this first simulation, the youth are then given the life of someone that has made proactive choices. They are then given the same opportunity to “Live the Life” of the new character that they have been given.

After the two sessions have ended, youth are then challenged to compare and contrast the two sessions and draw their own conclusions about choices they make in their own lives.

It is our hope that youth will see potential adult-level consequences for decisions they make today to help in their future lives tomorrow and will make proactive choices.



- ◆ Today’s choices will affect tomorrow’s lifestyle!
- ◆ Gives students a taste of what adults face every day.
- ◆ “Feel the difference” between a
- ◆ proactive life with an education, and a reactive life and the potential reactive life of one without an education.
- ◆ The character that is portrayed may be a single mom, family, unemployed or an ex-offender.
- ◆ Students receive information about who they will be portraying, earnings, bills and other pertinent details to live their life
- ◆ Students will experience 1 “month” of this alter ego.
- ◆ Various stations will provide different services to help along the way.
- ◆ Pre-and post- assessments will be given
- ◆ Real life experiences
- ◆ Pay bills from current income
- ◆ May have children that need care and attention.
- ◆ Debriefing after each round.



Students may have several barriers in the reactive simulation that they will need to overcome. Here are just a few of the many adult decisions they may be facing:

- ◆ Participants must purchase food for family.
- ◆ Complete an EBT application.
- ◆ Some participants are required to meet weekly for probation meetings.
- ◆ Agencies may be out of funds.
- ◆ Pay rent or mortgage payments.
- ◆ Get eviction notices.
- ◆ Look for work/Get a job/Lose a job
- ◆ Be able to use resources available
- ◆ May be on probation
- ◆ Situations improve on second round.

REALL simulations are available to schools, church youth groups and organizations that work with high school youth.

Call your local NECAC office to find out more information today!