



DIY Drive Information Packet

Please feel free to reach out with any questions!

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Thank you for supporting The Garage Community & Youth Center with your event or special occasion. We are grateful to you as a community partner and for making a difference in the lives of our youth!

I. The Event

Q: What kind of events do you mean?

A: An event can be ***anything!*** Some ideas and options include:

1. Wedding
2. Communion
3. Bar or Bat Mitzvah
4. Confirmation
5. Graduation
6. Quinceanera or Sweet 16
7. Birthday party
8. Exercise class
9. Family Reunion
10. Holiday party
11. Bake sale
12. Car wash
13. Book Club
14. Golf Outing
15. Fashion Show
16. Church or faith based event
17. Group breakfast or dinner
18. Concert or Open Mic
19. Casual Friday
20. Company Picnic
21. Company Field Day

Q: Does The Garage plan the event?

A: No, The Garage would not plan your event for you. Ideally, your event would already be planned and the support for The Garage is an additional part of the event information and planning.

Q: Do I have to tell The Garage about my event in advance?

A: Yes, please! This way we are aware of your event and can answer any questions or concerns you may have. In addition, we want to be able to thank you after the completion of your event and would need specific details.

II. Donations

Q: How can I tell my guests that my event supports The Garage?

A: Guests can be made aware of donations through event invitations either online or hard copy, social media posts, or the online event page (Facebook). If your event is open to the public, we are happy to promote it on Garage social media platforms.

Q: How does The Garage accept donations?

A: We are grateful for any donations provided to us. We are able to take checks made payable to The Garage Community & Youth Center or cash with one of our cash donation slips attached (only needed with individual cash donations, please see copy of cash slip in index). Finally we are able to accept donations through our PayPal QR code found on page 6 in the index.

Q: Does The Garage only accept monetary donations?

A: We are always looking for supplies to use for General Operating support. The Garage utilizes Amazon to buy most supplies and products. Our wishlist link is on page 6 of the index. Please feel free to share this with guests as an additional donation option!

III. Invitations & Advertising

Q: Should I mention the fundraising on my invitations?

A: Absolutely! In addition to the standard event details such as date, time, and location, your invitation can include some sort of statement about your event supporting The Garage. For example, “Please bring donations to support The Garage Community & Youth Center” or “Donations collected will directly support The Garage Community & Youth Center”. Placing this information on the invitation helps prepare your guests and increases the rate of success for your event support!

Q: What fundraising details should I include on my invitation?

A: Your invitation can include a link to our website (garageyouthcenter.org), our PayPal QR Code, or the link to our Amazon wishlist (see page 6 of the index).

Q: Can I share my event and fundraising information on social media?

A: We encourage you to! We would love for you to personally mention that your event is supporting The Garage through social media platforms such as Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter! Please find our logo on page 6 in the index for your sharing convenience!

IV. Information on The Garage Community & Youth Center

Q: What does The Garage do?

A: The Garage Community & Youth Center provides after school programming to middle and high schoolers in the Kennett Square and West Grove communities. We provide tutoring, homework help, mentoring, Boys Girls enrichment programs, Career Readiness programs, nutrition workshops, and self care workshops to students during the critical after school hours of 3-7 PM. We are open free of charge, 5 days a week! Our

mission is to empower youth to pursue their potential academically, relationally, and spiritually.

Q: What is the impact of The Garage?

A: Students are provided with a space to build positive adult relationships, increase self confidence, improve academic motivation and performance, learn the values of community and dynamic citizenship, expand upon responsibilities and personal goals, and simply to be the best version of themselves. Our students are what make us unique, serving a diverse and growing population (74% Latino, 6% African American, 10% Mixed race, and 10% Caucasian) we focus on growing our programming and organization to meet their needs. As relationships build through the incredible efforts of our staff, mentors, and volunteers, we uncover deeper and darker challenges that students face including domestic violence, bullying, dysfunctional homes, addiction, desire to drop out of school, grief, self harm, teen pregnancy, peer pressure related to drugs/alcohol/sex, language barriers, and peer/familial discouragement regarding academic achievement.

Q: What will my guests' donations go towards?

A: Donations provided will go directly into program funding. Our programs have many moving parts including supplies for each individual program, transportation for students, healthy snacks and nutritious groceries to cook meals. A \$100 donation sponsors a student for a week of the summer at The Garage including transportation, meals, daily program activities and weekly field trips!

Q: Does The Garage have any flyers or literature I can share?

A: Absolutely! This packet includes a copy of our 2018-2019 School Year Impact Report and a copy of our common donation slip.

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1. Garage Logo



2. PayPal QR Code



3. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Garageyouthcenter/>
4. Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/garageyouth/>
5. Twitter: <https://twitter.com/GarageYouth>
6. The Garage Community & Youth Center Website:
<https://www.garageyouthcenter.org/>
7. The Garage Amazon Wishlist:
https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/ref=cm_gift_wl_ad



IMPACT REPORT

2018 SCHOOL YEAR 2019

STUDENT BACKGROUND



NEW STUDENTS
144



48% of students, neither parent graduated from high school

86% of students are eligible for free or reduced lunch

"THE GARAGE HELPED ME TO GROW EMOTIONALLY + MENTALLY. IT HAS HELPED ME MATURE AND BE A BETTER VERSION OF MYSELF EVERY DAY."
-Garage Student

74%
Latino

6%
Black

10%
Mixed Race

10%
White



ACADEMIC + BEHAVIORAL ACHIEVEMENTS

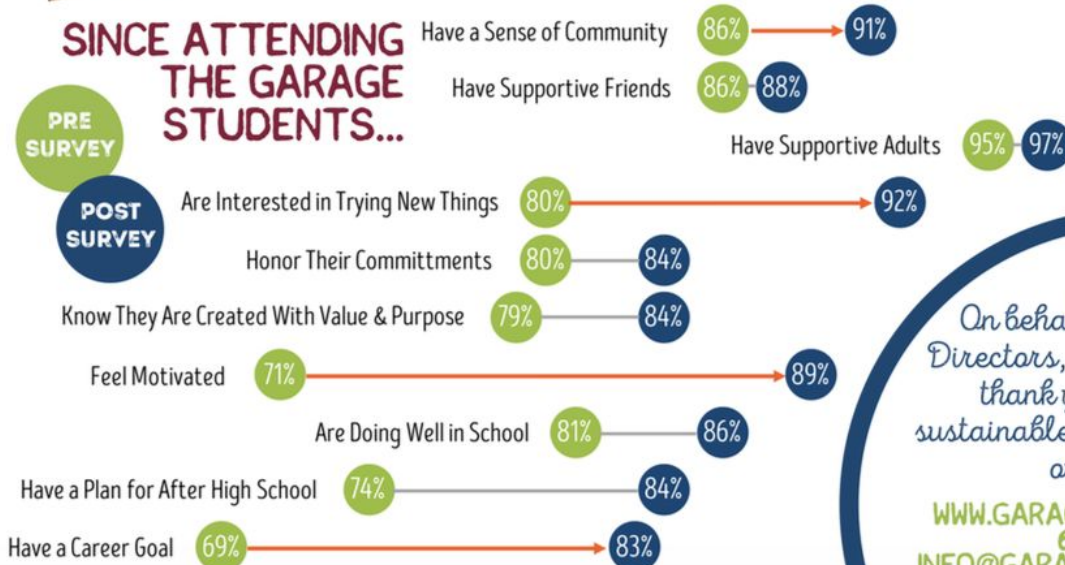
82 students enrolled in MAPS (9th - Alumni)

91% of seniors graduated from high school

91% of parents reported their student identified a new spark or passion

78% of students earned an average of C or higher

SINCE ATTENDING THE GARAGE STUDENTS...



On behalf of our Board of Directors, Staff and Students, thank you for making a sustainable impact in the lives of our students

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*The Garage Community & Youth Center
Cash Donation Slip*

First: _____ *Last:* _____

Address: _____

City: _____ *State:* _____ *ZIP:* _____

Donation Amount: _____

Date Donated: _____

On behalf of our Students, Staff, and Board, Thank You!



\$25 provides one month of **Transportation** for one student



\$50 provides two **Healthy Meals** for 50 students

\$75 Provides a **Warm, Safe Place**



\$100 provides a quarterly incentive **Field Trip** for good grades

\$150 provides monthly **college trips**

