# Empower Our youth Foundation

Newsletter

# Who Are We?

We are so excited to launch our first ever Empower Our Youth Foundation NEWSLETTER! Here you will see a recap of what we do in the past months, get to know our organizations better, AND stay connected!







EPIC Kids LiteracySTEM
Academy is an
innovative youth
program that supports
the development of
STEM, social/emotional
skills and literacy skills
for K-5th
youth.

Empower our Youth
Foundation. The
Empower Our Youth
Foundation provides youth
empowerment/mentoring
programs to students,
families, and educators. The
foundation teaches bullying
prevention and amplifies the
voices of the youth. We also
provide a safe place for
the reporting of personal
bullying incidents to the
appropriate authorities.

Antibullying Fashion show is providing an opportunity for people to show their uniqueness as individuals, we break down barriers and misconceptions. In doing so, we help become a better global citizen as well as better understand the values of multiculturalism in our community. Our Empower Up models embrace diversity, acceptance for themselves and others along with being inclusive, take a personal responsibility both for broadening their own social world and for speaking out against bullying.





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# LET'S RECAP!



Here's the past 3 months (including the current month) monthly recap. Shown here are activities we did in the community, and brief summaries of the events. For more photos you are welcome to browse through our Instagram & Facebook accounts listed throughout this Issue.

## May 2023: Ice Cream Social

We hosted an ice cream social at the Ronald McDonald House Charities Columbus. It was an amazing day of laughter, hugs, and positive vibes. Each month, we are blessed to give back to the RMHC families in fun engaging activities. A smile & words of encouragement is life!



#### July 2023: Movie Night

Our community engagement event this month was a movie night! We watched Super Mario Brothers at the Tressel OSU Family Room. It was a great night with lots of snacks and fellowship with the RMHC families.



### June 2023: Chalk The Walk

Our annual Chalk the Walk event! This event allows the community to come and draw positive affirmations & messages on the sidewalks of the Ronald McDonald House. We appreciate our community partners for leaning in and supporting our mission. Be a voice against bullying!



## August 2023: Musical

Empower Our Youth families were invited by PNC, to see Frozen The Musical on Broadway in Columbus Ohio for "Youth Night." The highlight of the night was being able to speak with the cast and other organizations who attended. It was surely an unforgettable experience!







# Columbus Book Festival

Here EPIC Kids Literacy/STEM Academy joined other organizations at the Topiary Park, in the Columbus Book Festival! The day was filled with smiles and giving, as we handed out books full of culture for the children and families who attended. Healing families who got to see characters on the covers who looked JUST LIKE THEM!

Don't forget to enroll your child into a bright future:













# August Empower Up Board Spotlight

# Samantha Crumes



# What do you do in your spare time?

"I usually watch my stories, better known as Soap Operas."

# A fun fact about you?

"I have two children and they are 20 years apart. Yes, I started all over... lol!"

# Bio:

Samantha has been in the teaching profession for 23 years. She has always wanted to be a teacher, as she used to play teacher with her cousins. She believes in making a difference in the life of a child, leading them to make a difference in someone else's life.

# Why do you love being a member of the Empower Our Youth Board?

"I love being an empower our youth foundation board member because I enjoy uplifting our youth and getting more involved in my community. When my son began getting bullied in school it was good to know that there were programs that supported children like him and offered outlets for the children of the community."

# What does community mean to you?

"Community to me is everything. I truly believe in the motto " It takes a village". I am proud to be apart of that village and give back."

# STAY CONNECTED







## Need Help with a bullying issue?

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