

# “See It Through”

## A Gang Prevention Program through Self Enrichment

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He Keeps People Safe



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St. Mary's High School 2008



Kid's Self Defense Classes  
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FIGHTING CHANCE, Inc Mission Statement

*"To provide each client with the tools and strategies for safety, reducing stress, increasing self esteem, and personal development."*



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Kid's join gangs when homes  
**don't provide...**

- ✓ Unconditional Acceptance
- ✓ Bonding
- ✓ Affection
- ✓ Love
- ✓ Safe Haven

Kid's join gangs because they  
**do provide...**

- ✓ Unconditional Acceptance
- ✓ Bonding
- ✓ Affection
- ✓ Love
- ✓ Safe Haven



# “See It Through”

## A Gang Prevention Program

Created to present at risk youth ages 12-18 with enrichment options that otherwise may not be available to them.

The program focus is on four areas:

Respect  
Education  
Encouragement  
Perseverance

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*“When you are up against trouble meet it squarely face to face. Lift your chin set your shoulder, plant your feet and take a brace.*

*When it's in vain to try to dodge it, do the best that you can do. You may fail, but you may conquer. See it through.”*



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## A Gang Prevention Program

The program provides youth with the skills and tools necessary for making better life decisions.

Through the use of challenges in these areas:

Poetry Reading

Physical Fitness

Goal Setting & Achievement

Group Discussions

Leadership Competitions

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*The program name is taken from Walter's favorite poem written by  
Edgar A. Guest.*

*Every participant will be required to know this poem.*



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## Program Goals

To develop community leaders that will have a positive impact on their peer group.

To create a network of mentors.

To provide kids with options other than joining gangs.



2008 Mentors

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*Black may be the clouds about you and your future may seem grim, but don't let your nerve desert you keep yourself in fighting trim.*

*If the worst is bound to happen in spite of all that you can do running from it will not save you – See It Through”*

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## Program Outline

Length of Program: 8 Weeks

Class Length: 90 Minutes/Week

Maximum Class Size: 10

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*“Even hope may seem but futile when with trouble you’re beset, but remember you are facing just what other men have met. You may fail but fall still fighting, don’t give up what ever you do.*

*Eyes front head high to the finish. See it through.” Edgar A. Guest*





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## Target Population

Youth (Age 12-18) identified by school administrators that are getting in to trouble and exhibiting aggressive behavior.

## Participant Selection

All referrals are screened by Walter Chase on a case by case basis



# Gang Prevention Program

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A Poem by Edgar A. Guest  
A Program Created by Walter Chase



Mountain View High School



Heritage High School

2008 SEE IT THROUGH Graduates



# Winter 2009 SEE IT THROUGH Graduates



Union High School



Mountain View High School



Legacy High School



Evergreen High School



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# Spring 2009 SEE IT THROUGH Graduates



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