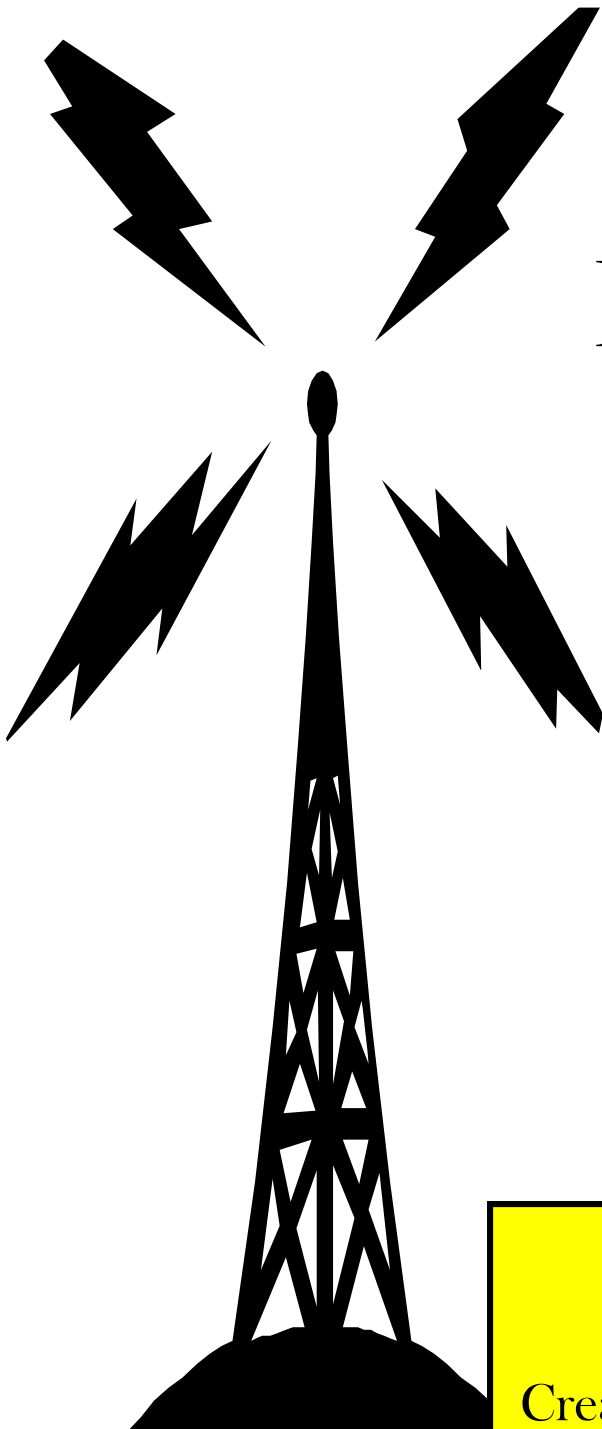


# The Community Powerhouse LHS Branch

2017-2018 School Year

## Executive Survey



Sparking Hope.  
Igniting Optimism.  
Creating The Currents For A Brighter Future!



2017-/2018 LHS POWERHOUSE INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

27 Respondents

**1. How do you view the Powerhouse Class? (Please check all that apply)**

<u>15%</u> A class for bad student's	<b>89%</b> A class to help you do better in school
<u>70%</u> A class where you can share your problems	<b>89%</b> A class where you get support/motivation
<u>7%</u> Like a regular class	<u>67%</u> A class to keep you away from trouble

**Other Comments:**

- A class that make me know that I wouldn't be young forever. I'd have to get up and get a job!
- No other class teaches what they teach you.
- (A class) to get you ready for the real world.
- It has changed my whole life because I thought that I was just going to get it (success) with no work. I have did (done) good to succeed.

**2. What was your life, attitude and behavior like before you came into the Powerhouse?**

- Angry
- Bad and mean.
- I was good.
- My attitude was great
- I didn't like school, bored.
- I was in all types of trouble. (2 responses)
- Doing my homework, on my best behavior
- I didn't believe in myself like I was supposed to.
- I was a juvenile, had a bad attitude, and hate school.
- I was getting in trouble outside of school and in school
- The same as now better my grades was a whole lot better.
- My attitude was okay, my life was awful, but I caused it.
- In a bad relationship with parents, didn't care about grades.
- I was feeling down, in out (of school) cause of the things I did.
- My attitude was good and bad. I most of the time I was in middle school.
- My life and attitude are the same, nothing really changed. (2 responses)
- I really just hated everything about school but now I love to come to this class.
- My behavior and attitude was perfect before I came in and will be even better when I leave.
- My life, attitude, behavior my life always been good. My attitude was a little off but it's okay now. My behavior is good.
- Bad, I didn't really likes school, I was always talking, never listened, and got in trouble outside of school.
- I use to get mad at every little thing and it use to make me zone out from everybody including the teacher; making my grades get terrible, but now I keep my bubble surrounded by motivators.
- My behavior was terrible when before I came to the Powerhouse. I use to down myself a lot but I (now) know to hold myself to high expectations.
- Before I came into the powerhouse, I wasn't as open and confident as I am now. So that's why I love this class because it teaches me to be a greater man.
- I was playing around in school and thinking I was going to make a lot of money just because. Now I have a life plan of welding, college, and how they have open my eyes.
- I didn't care about it (The Powerhouse) at first and I thought it was boring and dumb but - I started to realize that they are giving us valuable information and I started to like it more.

**3. What about you has improved because of the Powerhouse? (Check all that apply)**

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| <u>63%</u> Attitude (How I feel about myself)                     | <u>44%</u> Reading Skills   |
| <u>56%</u> Behavior   | <u>63%</u> Willingness/desire to come to school                                   |
| <u>78%</u> Skills to help me stay & complete high school          | <u>93%</u> Ability evaluate & make better choices                                 |
| <u>33%</u> New Friendships  | <u>74%</u> Life Skills  |
| <u>56%</u> Grades   | <u>74%</u> Motivational Skills  |
| <u>56%</u> Better Relationship with parent(s)                     | <u>48%</u> Ability to interact or relate with people from different walks of life |
| <u>63%</u> Behavior in class                                      |   |
| <u>44%</u> Ability to deal with difficult teachers/administrators |   |

**Other Comments:**

- I have (it has) helped me to ignore people.
- Ability to see the real world how it is and not the fantasy (world) that people lie to you about.

**4. How did you feel about yourself before coming into the Powerhouse? (Check one)**

- 30% Not good      48% Aw'ight      22% Real good

**5. How do you feel about yourself NOW after coming into the Powerhouse? (Check one)**

- Not good      19% Aw'ight      81% Real good

**6. What behaviors have changed for the better since you came into the Powerhouse? (Check all that apply)**

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| <u>4%</u> Frequency of selling drugs         | <u>4%</u> Frequency of using drugs                    |
| <u>--</u> Frequency of using alcohol         | <u>7%</u> Frequency of having sex                     |
| <u>--</u> Frequency of unprotected sex       | <u>--</u> Frequency of several different sex partners |
| <u>--</u> Frequency of smoking cigarettes    | <u>44%</u> Frequency of violent/angry behavior        |
| <u>7%</u> Frequency of theft                 | <u>11%</u> Frequency of being locked up               |
| <u>56%</u> Frequency of getting into trouble | <u>56%</u> Frequency of fights                        |
| <u>30%</u> Frequency of attending church     | <u>44%</u> Frequency of getting written up            |
| <u>22%</u> Frequency of going to the Box/ISS | <u>37%</u> Frequency "Going off" on teachers/staff    |
| <u>26%</u> Frequency of coming to school     | <u>22%</u> Frequency of 'cutting' class               |

**7. Before you came into the Powerhouse did you see yourself finishing high school with a diploma? (Check one)**

- 52% Yes      15% No      33% Unsure

**8. On a scale of 1 to 5, how big of a difference has each of the Program components made in your life?**

(1) didn't make a difference      (2) kind of made a difference      (3) made a small difference      (4) made a big difference      (5) made a great difference

	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4	5
Boardroom Sessions	11%	--	15%	29%	41%	One-on-One Conversations	3%	--	11%	41%	44%
Boardroom Discussions /Debates	--	7%	15%	33%	41%	Quotes Learned	3%	3%	19%	15%	56%
Movies	7%	3%	7%	33%	41%	Articles Read	7%	3%	22%	29%	26%
Boardroom Setup	3%	15%	15%	22%	41%	Accomplishment Card	7%	3%	29%	29%	29%

**9. What is one lesson or quote that you have learned from the Powerhouse that you will apply to your life?**

- “Boys play men get the job done.” (5 responses)
- “Wherever you go you take you with you.” (x2)
- “When you know better, you do better.”
- “You can’t fix, what you will not face.”(3 responses)
- “A man who doesn’t work doesn’t eat.” (4 responses)
- Sparking hope, Igniting optimism.
- Shoot for the moon but if you miss you’ll still be among the stars.
- “The main thing is to keep the main thing the main thing.”(2 responses)
- “Men work hard and play hard, but they don’t confuse the two.” (2 responses)
- A ‘Job’ is ‘Just Over Broke’ and that I should prepare for a career not a job.
- “Circumstances may delay me but they cannot deny me.” (3 responses)
- “Short cuts lead to dead ends.”
- “Birds fly in flocks, eagles fly alone.”
- “One band, one sound.”
- You have to work to be successful
- Change my ways or I will get in trouble
- HSP<sup>2</sup>D<sup>4</sup> Formula for Success.
- Keep it real
- You get out what you put in.

**10. On a scale from 1 to 5, how important were each of the sessions to you?**

(1) N/A (2) not important (3) somewhat important (4) very important (5) extremely important

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Bag Chart	--	3%	3%	33%	56%	Sessions on Sexuality	--	--	11%	33%	48%
Manhood Sessions	--	--	3%	37%	59%	Sessions on Making Choices	--	--	3%	33%	63%
Films	3%	7%	15%	37%	33%	Genesis/ Revelation Discussion	--	3%	11%	29%	56%
						Boardroom Discussions	--	--	15%	22%	59%

**11. What made you continue to want to come to the Powerhouse?**

- The encouraging things they said to us.
- Paychecks and rewards like a regular career.
- Being to be able to learn about life.
- People try to motivate me in this class. (2 responses)
- Getting paid and being able to learn about manhood.
- Lessons that teaches me about life. (2 responses)
- They help you with the things you having problems with.
- Sparking Hope, Igniting Optimism, and Creating the currents for a Brighter Future.
- It helped me in the future. (With) what going to happen and (to) be ready (for it).
- The money and my heart cause I love making money and watching movies.
- I wanted to keep coming to the Powerhouse because of all the stuff they talked about was real .(2 responses)
- Because I learned a lot about being a young man and knowing what to do after I leave high school.
- I learned something new here just about every day here (2 respomses)
- Get ready for the real world and life lessons we learn a lot of important things.
- To be honest I really love this class, because we talk about the same things that I like to talk about, and I learn something different every day that helps me on my daily life.
- Because we learn about life, and being around coach and Rev. Also getting paid in class, also to get things off my chess (chest).
- Incentives
- They kept it real
- Cause this class is good.
- I don’t know.
- The teachers and the quotes.
- I had to come (3 responses)

**12. Where do you feel you would be if you hadn't been enrolled in the Powerhouse?**

- I get (kicked) out of school.
- I'd still be a good student.
- I don't know. (2 responses)
- I woulda been straight.
- Probably in school. (2 responses)
- I would be bad and not succeed.
- (It/Life would have) been hard.
- Columbia Juvenile Correctional Facility.
- I would probably be in a class and old be getting wrote up.
- I would probably doing the thing I don't need to be doing.
- Failing, being in the "ghetto" of the classroom and wouldn't be proactive
- I feel like if I hadn't been attended to the Powerhouse I would be making bad decisions.
- Honestly I have no idea but like I said I probably wouldn't have been as confident about myself.
- I felt like I would have been a deadbeat with no money not knowing what I am going to do when
- I wasn't making any bad decisions before I came so, I would be on the track that I'm on now.
- It would be different cause I wouldn't be hearing and having the man talks I have in here.
- I feel like I would be some where on the streets.
- I would probably be out of school right now
- Probably out of school at home somewhere.
- Somewhere getting in a lot of trouble (2 responses)
- Still getting (in) trouble outside of school or locked up.
- At the same place I'm at now but lower.
- In some other class or back at home.

**13. Now that you have experienced the Powerhouse where do you see yourself now in the next five years?**

- I don't know.
- Being a leader
- Being a teacher.
- Welding in college.
- Making BIG money
- In college. (4 responses)
- Making money into sports.
- A better person with a job.
- Doing something with my life
- Graduating a scientist or something that deals with science.
- I see myself taking welding lessons so that my check will be bigger and fatter
- I see myself doing big things in life and having my own business. (maybe playing college basketball)
- I am going to get my CDL license to be a truck driver.
- Graduated from high school on my way to college.
- Getting me a manager to become an actor
- I see myself in my house, with my own car.
- Making the money that God put me in the world for.
- Maybe starting the beginning of my career
- Having my own business. (2 responses)
- Having my own clothing line.
- The greatest succession of all time

**14. Have you started reading more now that you have been in the Powerhouse? *Check all that apply***

If yes, what are you reading more.

\_\_\_\_\_ 42% \_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ 58% \_\_\_\_\_ No

\_\_\_\_\_ 53% \_\_\_\_\_ books    \_\_\_\_\_ 18% \_\_\_\_\_ magazines    \_\_\_\_\_ 5% \_\_\_\_\_ newspaper(s)    \_\_\_\_\_ 24% \_\_\_\_\_ Bible

**15. Would you recommend the Powerhouse class to someone else?**

\_\_\_\_\_ 93% \_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ 7% \_\_\_\_\_ No

**Why or why not?**

- Yes, to learn about life.
- Yes, because this class is to help you in the long run.
- Yes, some people need this class.
- Yes, because we get great information that we can use all throughout our lives.
- Yes, because this class is preparing us for the real world.
- No, people have their own choice to be in the Powerhouse.

- Yes, because teens should learn more about life.
- No, not everyone has the same open-mindset as I do to actually take in the knowledge.
- Yes, I would if I felt like they could use some help.
- Yes, cause it's a good class to take telling you how to be a man.
- Yes, because I don't want to see my friend in a casket.
- Yes, it changes the way you look on life and if you do good enough you can get paid.
- Yes, so they can get their life straight.
- Yes, so they wouldn't head down the wrong path!
- Yes, this class could possibly teach them something that they probably didn't know already.(3 responses)
- Yes, it's a lot of boys out here with no dad or man figure in their life, and that's something the Powerhouse have.
- Yes, if they are going the wrong way in life, I think they should.
- Yes, everybody that needs it.
- Yes, keeps you out of trouble.
- Yes, because I don't like to see anyone down or hurt I wanna see success
- Yes, I recommend this class to any male in the world because I feel like every man has bags that they need to let go of.
- Yes, I have recommended it to people that I know that they don't see life how it really is.

**16. After coming to the Powerhouse do you now see yourself finishing high school with a Diploma? (Check one)**

76% Yes      12% No      12% Unsure

**17. Do you see yourself making better choices now? (Check one)**

100% Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No      \_\_\_\_\_ Unsure

**18. Before you enrolled in the Powerhouse how did you feel about being in school?**

33% Hated School      56% School was OK      11% Didn't matter one way or the other

**19. After completing the Powerhouse program how do you feel about school?**

7% Hate School      74% School is OK      19% Doesn't matter one way or the other

**20. What did you like best about The Powerhouse?**

- Discussions (2 responses)
- The communication and love
- Being educated watching movies.
- The support you get in the class.
- Encouragement (2 responses)
- Money and learning more.
- The motivational speeches.
- You picked movies both to entertain and educate us.(4 responses)
- It's a good group of good people that teaches how to grow up and be a man.
- The quotes that we learned and the Law of the Mind and the (Powerhouse) mantra.
- Mostly everything from the discussions, movies for edutainment, and week incentives.
- When we learn about things that make a difference in my life and being in the presence of wisdom.
- Discussing how and when to make the right decisions, and also how important education was to us.
- I liked all of the sessions and the speeches they gave us because there is no other teacher in this building that would do that.
- That we spoke to one another like if we were brothers because we really are family and that this program can make any man a great man.
- That we get payed for coming (3 responses).
- I just like coming to the Powerhouse.
- How I feel when I'm in the Powerhouse.
- That coach teaches us about being a man
- Making people a better person than they really are.
- Learn about the slavery and the incentive pay out.
- Getting to see the CEO and SVP's , and all my Brokers.



## 21. What did you like least about The Powerhouse?

- *Watching Roots.*
- *The movies.*
- *When I'm not there.*
- *Reading. (2 responses)*
- *Students be talking back*
- *That, Dr. Wright barely came to see the Board members.*
- *That we didn't have enough time to do everything hopefully it will soon be a high school 102 Powerhouse class.*
- *The least I liked about this class is nothing because I needed to hear all this stuff they talked about. (5 responses)*
- *I didn't really like having the Spell-off because I couldn't focus on most of my other work.*
- *When we have to talk about our feelings to what we want from our dads and things like that.*
- *Not getting paid enough money.*
- *It was my first class. (3 responses)*
- *I like everything about this class.*
- *I don't know. (2 responses)*
- *There is nothing bad about the Powerhouse. (3 responses)*

## 22. How would you rate your Instructor's? **(Please Check One)**

74% Outstanding    7% They were alright    19% Good    -- Not Good

## 23. Go The Extra Mile.....Tell us something else about this class that you would like for us or the administrators to know....

- *I will miss this class*
- *They always kept it real.*
- *It taught me a lot about respect.*
- *This class is hard to get with*
- *This class is great, especially for the ones with no father.*
- *That I was honored to be back in the Community Powerhouse.*
- *I would like to say this the best class of them all and it helps you out with choices.*
- *I think this class should be for higher grades, so we can have the discussions us men need.*
- *I like that no other class teaches us these things that will be important in are life.*
- *Lancaster High School needs to make a second class of the Powerhouse.*
- *This is a great boardroom they needs to keep for a lot long because it keep student out of trouble.*
- *This class is a great class for a student that don't know nothing or failing their classes or drop out of school.*
- *I would love for the administrators to know that Rev, Dr. Wright, coach was good to us all year. They took the time out of their life every day to come teach, knowledge, demand us to make good choices, in our life. Some days I didn't want to listen but I didn't have no choice but to listen.*
- *This program would help many young men like us because it helps us know about life and the right way we should live it. It also instructs how important education is and where it will lead you. I think that this class/boardroom could help out a lot of teenagers.*
- *It's a great program and its great for kids and teens. Kids out here need to be in this to keep it real because some people "don't wanna hurt your feelings." So you can be real with yourself. Get you ready for the real world.*
- *I may not write this much about this one but there should really be a Powerhouse 2 so I can be in this class again because every young man needs this class to better themselves.*
- *I like the way y'all reward us for the good things we as a class because so many teachers just say good job. Y'all show us how it feels to get paid for your work. Also when we get paid for acting right. Also when y'all pay us to spell correct words. Also when we watch movies in a different perspective.*
- *To the administrators we are a diamond.*
- *I love the way that people are respected.*
- *Keep up with what y'all are doing.*
- *They need a Powerhouse in every school.*





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