

Mentoring

LONG BEACH POLYTECHNIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Regular school hours

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Offers a Student Support Personnel Team (SSPT)-early identification and timely intervention for students who are struggling academically, emotionally, and/or socially. Programs that promote student safety and well-being include:

- Yellow Ribbon Program- Designed to address teen suicide issues, providing students information about suicide prevention and lending support to those who are grappling with suicide ideation
- Link Crew- Freshman orientation and mentoring program
- Poly North- A human relations camp specifically designed for Poly tenth graders, provides students with an opportunity to examine personal biases
- Human Relations Camp and “Talking in Class”- Global thinking, as it is applied to students’ personal lives, is strongly encouraged
- Every Fifteen Minutes- An in-depth drunk driving awareness program, is presented to 11th and 12th grade students prior to Prom and Graduation in an effort to educate them about the real dangers of drinking and driving
- Peer Counselor and Advanced Peer Counselors- Peer mediators and counselors to address personal/social issues, including conflict resolution, family dynamics, and a variety of other challenges

Eligibility: Students at Long Beach Polytechnic High School

RESCUE YOUTH

Darren Rockett (562) 500-3434, Wane Cheny (310) 731-5384

Offers At-risk children are paired with a Long Beach firefighter who volunteers to serve as a mentor at a fire station near the student’s home. The goal is to provide young people with the skills and relationships that will help them avoid gang involvement and other criminal activities. Student works with mentor to develop self-esteem, problem-solving skills, teamwork, and goal development, Go on field trips such as camping, fishing, ride-alongs in the fire truck, Learn skills such as fire safety, knot-tying, first aid/CPR, earthquake preparedness, exit drills from the home, rappelling, working with ladders and power tools. Students are required to commit a minimum 2 hours/week. Services are FREE. **Eligibility:** children who are not yet involved in a gang, but who are at-risk for criminal activities, ages 12-14, who are students in the Long Beach Unified School District.