

Life without TOPS:

WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

“Preparing for the future after high school. Equipping students with alternative opportunities for their academic success.”

Data & Statistics

- ▶ Only 19% of students in Louisiana continue on to a receive a 4 year college degree (www.huffingtonpost.com)
- ▶ Bachelor's- Avg. \$25,000 per semester - \$100,000 up to \$200,000 /4 year
 - Trade school (start to finish) - about \$35,000 (careerschoolnow.org)
- ▶ 50 out of 70 public schools in Louisiana (71%) offer a Jumpstart program. (Nola.com)

Recommendations:

- ▶ **Scholar Club** - Student led group to aid youth in scholarships
- ▶ **Article** - Newsletter by students to increase awareness of club
- ▶ **Assembly** - Put on by alumni from high schools to inform students on importance of scholarships
- ▶ **Parent Group** - Help bring students to activities