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Inspiring the Dream

Boost Conference 2011

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Agenda

- Introduction
- Statistics
- Barriers to Dreams
- Stairway to Success
- Q & A
- Conclusion

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Abutech’s mission is to empower children to achieve their very best in life with the use of dynamic children's books and inspirational presentations.

Abutech’s vision is to reach children in every social economical status, in every region, and give each one of them the opportunity to recognize their ultimate potential.

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To accomplish great things, we must not only act, but also dream; not only plan, but also believe.

Anatole France

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Dream Video

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Graduation Statistics

National Graduation Rates By Race and Gender

	Nation	Female	Male
American Indian/AK Nat	51.1	51.4	47.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	76.8	80.0	72.6
Hispanic	53.2	58.5	48.0
Black	50.2	56.2	42.8
White	74.9	77.0	70.8
All Students	68.0	72.0	64.1

Source: http://www.urban.org/publications/410936.html

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- Inspiring children to believe in their dreams
- Three-prong approach
  - Children believe
  - Parents support
  - Teachers facilitate
- Goal setting
  - Long term
  - Short term

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Write Out One of Your Current Dreams

- What resources do you need to achieve your dream?
- What's the timeline to complete this dream?
- What are some of the barriers to your dream?

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Deamonte Driver Video

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Oral Hygiene

By third grade 69% of the children have a history of tooth decay.

At any given moment one-third of the children have untreated tooth decay.

Roughly 8% of kindergarten and 9% of third graders are sitting in a classroom with a toothache or dental Infection.

The problem is worse for children who come from low-income families.

Alameda County Public Health Department, Office of Dental Health, conducted an oral health assessment of Alameda County school children in kindergarten and third grades during the 2002-03 and 2003-04 school years. The 3,269 children screened came from a representative sample of 22 public schools.

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- Proper hygiene techniques
- Motivational tools
- Captivating literature
- Dental tracking tool

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Digital Divide

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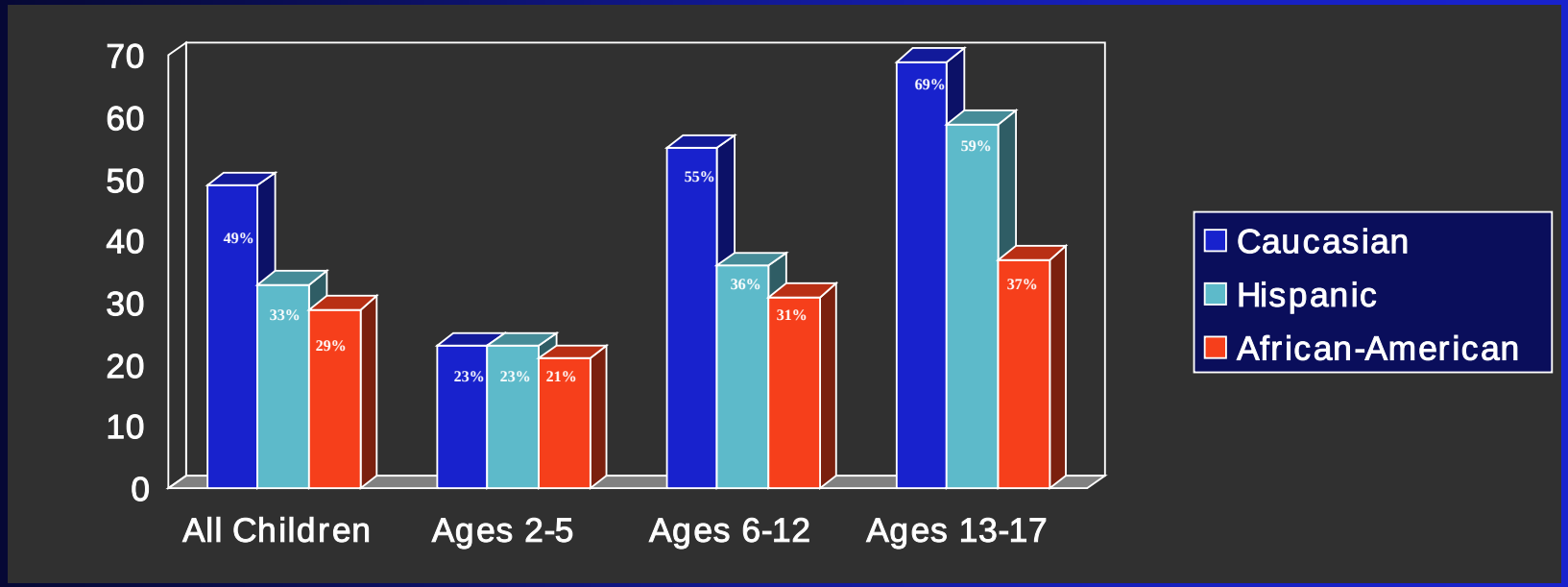
CHILDREN'S ONLINE USE AT HOME: BY ETHNICITY



Source: Grunwald Associates

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- Bridging achievement gap
- Increasing interest in the power of technology
- Expanding living boundaries

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Children’s Obesity and Fitness

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Children's Obesity and Fitness

- 2% of school-age children meet minimum numbers of servings for the Food Guide Pyramid.
- Over 40% of an average family's food budget is spent on fast food.
- Only 25% of students are enrolled in daily physical activity.
- Rising obesity will cost U.S. health care $344 billion a year by 2018 (USA Today 11/17/2009).

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- Stopping Childhood Obesity/Associated Health Problems
- Encouraging Fitness
- Emphasizing literacy

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Bullying

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Bullying

- Recent bullying statistics admit that half of all bullying incidents go unreported.
- 42% of kids have been bullied while online. 1 in 4 have had it happen more than once.
- 23 per cent of elementary students reported being bullied one to three times in the last month school bullying statistics say.
- Each day 160,000 students miss school for fear of being bullied.

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- No More Bullies
- Types of Bullying
  - Verbal
  - Physical
  - Cyber
- Some Steps to Take

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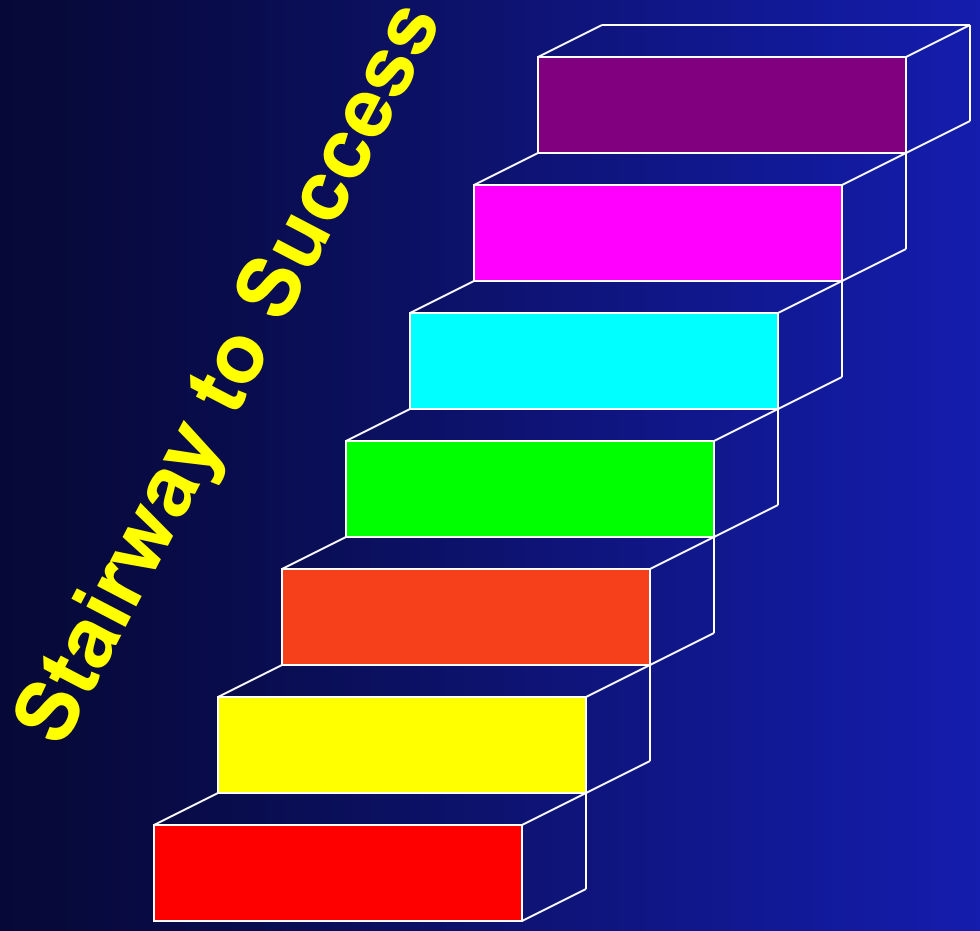

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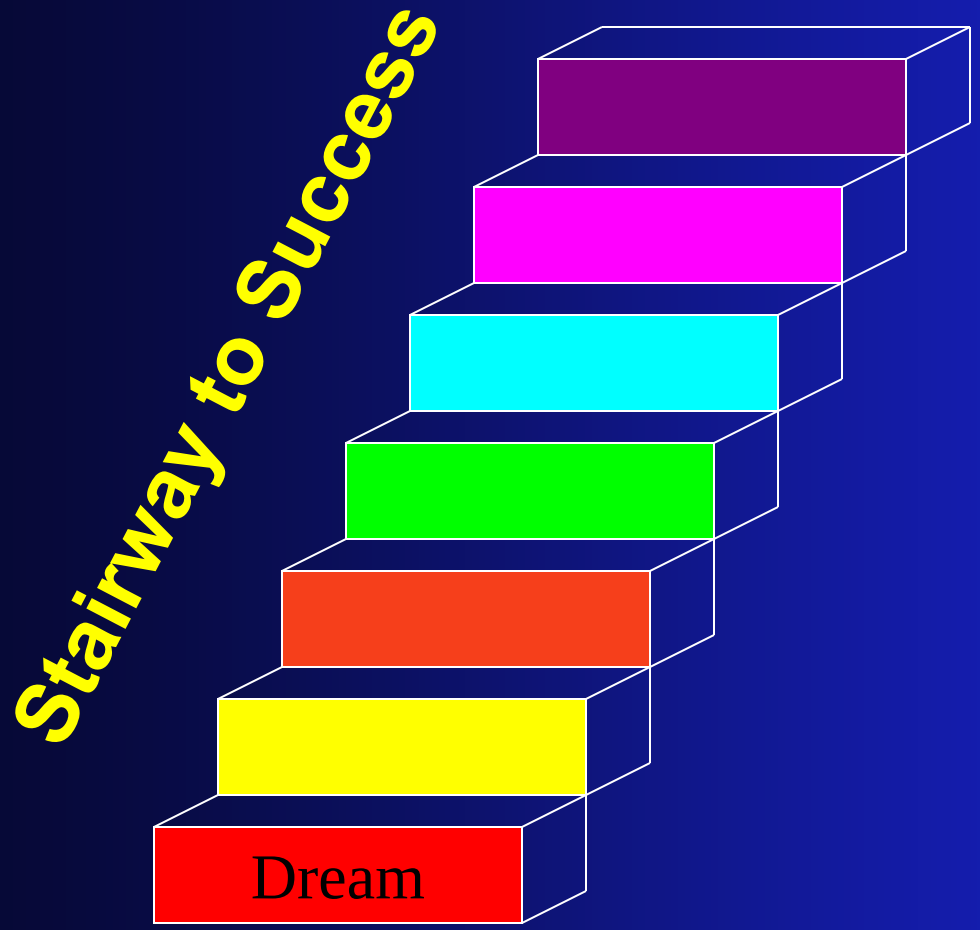

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Dream Session

(In Your Wildest Dreams)

- What is the inspiration for your program?
- What tools or resources would you use?
- What positive impact would this program have on the children involved?
- How would you measure the program's success?

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Dream Card

- List three subjects/concerns that your district wish they had a children's book to address?

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Q&A

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What is the percentage?

- High school dropout rate of US?
- Children age 3 to 5 with cavities?
- Households with internet access?
- Children considered to be overweight?
- A child being bullied?

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What is the percentage?

- High school dropout rate of US? 29%
- Children age 3 to 5 with cavities? 33%
- Households with internet access? 69%
- Children considered to be overweight? 32%
- A child being bullied? 25%

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Questions

- Give three barriers to why our children don’t aspire to achieve their dreams?
- What can we do as educators to assist children to reach their dreams?