Alberti Youth Architecture Program at the Sam Fox School: Educational and Civic Impact on Youth Participants and College Instructors

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“I learned that you can’t only express your thoughts while building but you can also express your feelings.”

“I learned that just because you are different doesn’t mean you’re not creative. I loved how all the teachers cared about us.”

“Alberti helped me increase my creativity and improve my communication skills about architecture to a wider audience.”

Youth participants reported increases in their:

⇒ Ability to use art to problem-solve and communicate complicated ideas
⇒ Knowledge and understanding of art and architecture
⇒ Ability to use art to communicate ideas
⇒ Ability to use art materials to build 3D models

After completing the Alberti program, youth participants reported:

⇒ Spending more time with friends in other grades and schools
⇒ Increased comfortability on a college campus
⇒ Greater interest in attending college

Washington University instructors reported that participating in the Alberti program:

⇒ Made them better architecture students
⇒ Provided them with a growth experience
⇒ Encouraged them to stay involved in community engagement after graduation.