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Thrive’s *Educational Initiatives* are a group of programs that focus on every young person’s potential to learn and be successful. Our educational programming is intended for youth who have found that the “regular” school system was not for them, often because of differences in learning, social challenges, or other factors.

All programs focus on the strengths of young people, and the belief that through education, opportunities are created for youth and their families. These youth centered programs have been developed and informed through the thoughtful input of the many youth who learn with us.

- These services help youth 12 to 24 who are struggling with staying in school or who have left school already.
- There are three programs within Thrive’s Educational Initiatives.
- Referrals are accepted for all programs throughout the academic year. We like to meet all young people who are interested in learning with us at Thrive. Please see the program descriptions below for the times that we usually meet with youth for each program.

➤ *Rogers Break Thru Project*

This program is directed towards youth from 12-16 who want to stay in school but require support as they have less than 50 per cent attendance. They may be experiencing challenges with other students or simply having trouble learning in a school environment. Intake for this program is in September and May.

➤ *Youth at Promise*

Young people 16 and over who have not completed high school are welcome at YAP. This program helps young people 16 and over who have not completed high school acquire the skills to hold a job or consider other schooling options. YAP has a rolling intake September through May – Thrive meets with youth interested in the program as space is available.

➤ *Springboard GED*

This program helps youth 18 and over who have not finished high school prepare for the GED through classes held several times a week for a few hours at a time. There is rolling intake for this program from September through to May – Thrive meets with youth interested in the program as space is available.