Messengers

Getting the Messages to the Right People Through the Right People



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Practical application:

① Engage one prominent Latino media personality as spokesperson.

2 If there is no prominent Latino television outlet turn to Latino radio personality.



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- 1 Start with outreach to school districts with the largest numbers of eligible children.
- 1 Work through athletic directors in particular.
- 2 More to come from Coaches Campaign "Lessons Learned"



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(via Mom blogs & Facebook)



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- **③** Create Facebook page for state program.



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Messenger:

State program staff. They clearly value their interaction with you.



State Agency Staff

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Timely confirmation of receipt of application and next steps.



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2 Engage faith leaders as media messengers.



Thank You.

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