

This Is What Violence Causes in our Community

By: Angel, Courtney, and Maurice

A Presentation of the Peacekeepers at Northwest Academy

The Mission of the Peacekeepers is to decrease
violence and promote peace in the halls and
classrooms of Northwest High School

The purpose of this presentation
is to show how violence
contributes to high incarceration,
murder, and dropout rates.

Incarceration

- *One in six black men has been incarcerated as of 2001. If current trends continue, one in three black males born today can expect to spend time in prison during his lifetime*
- *1 in 100 African American woman are in prison.*
- *African Americans now constitute nearly 1 million of the total 2.3 million incarcerated population.*

Murder Rate

Missouri has the highest rate of black Homicide in the nation for the third year in a row.

91% percent of black homicides in Missouri are the result of guns.

Last Year:

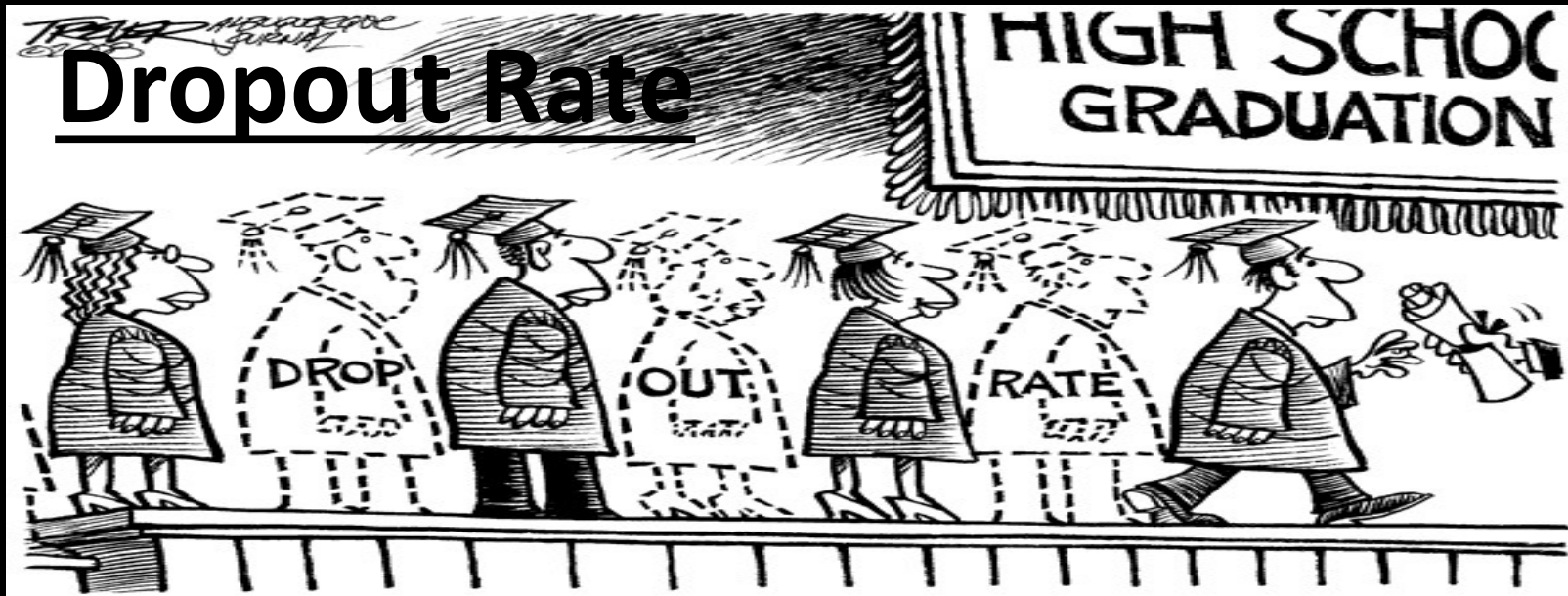
- number of black homicides was 255.

(231 of which were male and 24 were female)

- Missouri's black homicide rate was 7 times higher than that of the nation's average.

The city gunshot murder rate for 10- to 19 years old is 3 times the national average

Dropout Rate



- Every nine seconds a high schooler drops out
- Three quarter of the state prison inmates are dropouts
- Fifty nine percent of federal inmates are dropouts
- Dropouts are 3.5 times likely to be incarcerated

In Conclusion

- Reducing violence will help keep people in school, out of jail, alive.
- We hope to increase the peace and decrease violence through the Peaceball Project.