



SUN Community School Profile 2015

Gilbert Heights Elementary

Lead Agency: IRCO

Service Area & Target Groups/Focus

Children, adults and families who are homeless, living in poverty and/or at risk of academic failure – primarily from school neighborhood, but services are open to anyone.

School Population: 589 students; Grades K-5; 73% Eligible for Free Meals;
61% Students of Color (African American 11%, American Indian/AK Native 1%, Asian 19%,
Hispanic 22%, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 2%, Multiple Race 7%, White 39%)

Core Services

Extended-Day Activities (children and adults)

Academic Support

After School Snack & Dinner
Homework Support
IXL Math Tutoring
Type to Learn tutoring
Middle School Volunteers
ELL collaboration and support
Crazy 8's Math curriculum

Enrichment

Chess for Success
Saturday Academy
Girls on the Run
Project Based Learning Clubs such as:
Cooking Club, Dinosaur Club, &
Space Club
Garden and Nature Club
STEAM Based Class Choices
Art and Music
Science and Environment
AKA Science
Health and Wellness
Student Voice and Choice

Mentoring

Middle School Volunteers
Peer Homework Tutoring
BA University of Portland Social
Work
Student

Recreation

Team Building Initiatives
SPARK Sports Curriculum
Daily Recess
Gym Games
Dance Clubs
Soccer Club
Girls on the Run

Youth Leadership/Involvement

Team Building and Leadership
Service Learning Projects
PPR Community Garden
Dinner Helpers
Student Leadership Club
Spring Garden Club and Community
Garden Volunteer Hours
Playworks Jr. Coaches

Summer Programs

Camp Namanu Summer Scholarships
Summer Camp Fire Enrichment Program
Free Summer Breakfast and Lunch
Summer Soccer Club, Drama Club
Safer Routes to School "SUN Cycle"
Bike
Safety
Family Gardening Program
EKT Summer Camp

Empowerment/Skill-Building

Student-Led Service Learning Projects
Chess for Success
SUN Student Council
SUN Garden
After School Computer Lab once a week
to continue skill building in math and
reading
Playworks Jr. Coaches

Adult Education

Back to School Night Resource Fair
ESL Classes
Bullying Education for Families

Community/Cultural Events

Back to School Open House Night
Trimester Showcase Events
Camp Fire SUN Food Drive for David
Douglas families
Healthy Family Night & Carnival in
partnership with Heights in Action
Booster Club
Zenger Farm "Healthy Food on a
Budget"
Family Cooking Class
Winter "Staycation" Take Home Family
Engagement activities
Gilbert Heights Elementary Talent Show

Family Education & Engagement

Daily communication with parents; School-wide parent meetings and activities; End of term Showcase; Parent Nights; Parent Involvement Task Force; Back to School Open House; OMSI Night; fresh food backpack program; Winter Food Drive; Monthly Resource Letters

Case Management & Skill Building

Partnership with Human Solutions for family rental assistance and homeless prevention; SUN Special Assistance Inclusion Services; Partnership with Community Warehouse to offer families access to furniture and household items; SnowCap Community Charities partnership to provide food boxes delivered to the school every month during the school year

System Coordination, Service Integration & Site Management

Recruitment and connection of students and families with services; development of referral system
SUN CS Advisory Body (school staff, parents, students, and partner agencies)
Partner Meetings; Student Staffing Meetings; Site Management in Out-of-School Time
Partner and Resource Development
17 Community Agency Partners | 40 volunteer hours contributed
2 Business Partners \$99,625 leveraged in cash & in-kind donations

Additional Services

Weekend Backpack Program
Urban Gleaners food support
Library Services

Evaluation

Outputs

211 youth served

60% students of color
92% identified as being “at risk of academic failure”
50% qualified for free and reduced lunch

68 adults served

905 people served in non-enrollment events
(family educational nights, cultural fairs, etc.)

Outcomes

70% of students increased benchmark scores in Reading *
74% of students increased benchmark scores in Math *
Average daily attendance of SUN CS students was **91%**

SUN Spotlight

This year celebrates our third year of collaboration between Gilbert Heights “Heights in Action” Booster Club and GH SUN CS in presenting a Healthy Family Resource Fair and Carnival. Families and the surrounding community were invited to attend an event with carnival games and activities, as well as a resource fair that included over 20 community partners. Students were provided with free tickets for games and food. The event this year doubled in activities and community social service resources. Attendance also doubled from 450 in 2013 to over 750 people attending this year!

***due to changes in state testing these numbers are not available for this year**



SUN Community Schools are a collaboration of Multnomah County, the City of Portland, local school districts, nonprofits and community.

