



SUN Community School Profile 2015

Arleta K-8

Lead Agency: Portland Parks and Recreation

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: 456 students; Grades K-8; 54% Free and Reduced Lunch;
43% Students of Color (African American 4%, American Indian/AK Native 1%, Asian 11%,
Hispanic 18%, Multiple Race 8%, White 57%)

Core Services

Extended-Day Activities (children and adults)

Academic support

After School Meal
Homework Clubs & Study Hall
Camp Read (Multnomah County Library)

Enrichment

EXAMPLES INCLUDE:

AKA Science
African Drumming
Chess for Success
Circus Arts
Electronic Music Making
Hands on History
Themed Book Clubs
Clay & Sculpture
Active Arts
Creative Reuse Art
Theater & Dance
Storybook Adventures
Young Authors

Recreation

Soccer
Volleyball
Skateboarding Clubs
Basketball (after school and PP&R Citywide Leagues)
Evening recreation classes open to all community members

Summer Programs

8 Weeks of full-day theme camps & special interest camps
Free lunch program

Empowerment/Skill-Building

Garden Club
Video Production
Girls Inc.: Project BOLD
Genius Hour – TAG targeted class

Mentoring

Girls, Inc. for Grades 4-5 & Grades 6-8

Youth Leadership/Involvement

SUN Student Advisory Team
Class Assistants
Girls, Inc. Council
Jr. Leader Program (summer)
Student-led Classes

Adult Education

ESL Classes
Beginning Spanish
Evening fitness classes
Home Weatherization Workshop
WomenStrength Self Defense Course
Computer Classes

Community/Cultural Events

Community Partnerships include:
Portland Parks & Recreation
Growing Gardens
Saturday Academy
Community Energy Project
Portland Police Bureau
Chess for Success
Old Library Studio
Hollywood Theater

Family Education & Engagement

Daily communication with parents; School-wide parent meetings and activities
SUN Student Showcases/Family Night to celebrate after school learning at the end of each term

Case Management & Skill Building

Coordination with school counselor and essential staff to meet individual student needs
Development of a teacher referral system to work on individual student skills

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

9 Community Agency Partners

2 Business Partners

334 volunteer hours contributed

\$20,282 leveraged in cash & in-kind donations

Additional Services

Library Services

CHIF-funded after school programs

PPS Nutrition Services After School Supper Program

Evaluation

Outputs

270 youth served

23% students of color

53% identified as being “at risk of academic failure”

48% qualified for free and reduced lunch

30 adults served

740 people served in non-enrollment events

(family educational nights, cultural fairs, etc.)

Outcomes

65% of students increased benchmark scores in Reading *

70% of students increased benchmark scores in Math *

Average daily attendance of SUN CS students was **87%**

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

SUN Spotlight

This year, SUN has collaborated with an Arleta teacher to offer a Genius Hour class during the after school hours. This teacher proposed the class to help fill a gap at our school – more opportunities are needed for TAG students. The after school program presented a natural platform to gather TAG students from many different grade levels. Although the class is open to all, we had targeted outreach efforts to reach students that qualify as TAG.

During Genius Hour, students explore their individual passions. They spend several weeks researching a topic of their choice before creating a project that will be shared with the class, school, or world. This is just one example of how as a SUN School, Arleta has more opportunities to collaborate in order to meet the needs of the entire student body.



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

