



SUN Community School Profile 2015

Wilkes Elementary

Lead Agency: Catholic Charities

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: 459 students; Grades K-5; 100% Eligible for Free Meals;
75% Students of Color (African American 12%, American Indian/AK Native 0%, Asian 10%,
Hispanic 43%, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 5%, Multiple Race 5%, White 25%)

Core Services

Extended-Day Activities (children and adults)

Academic Support

Number fluency through games
Crazy Math
Reading/ Literacy Support
Homework help
Spelling Bee
Idiom Practice
Earth Science

Enrichment

Gardening & Cooking Basics
Aztec Dance
Team Sports
General Art & Crafts
AKA Science
Teakwondo
Poetry

Youth Leadership/Involvement

Leadership Building
Community Corner
Theatre

Empowerment/Skill-Building

Chess for Success
Digital Storytelling
Public Speaking
Journalism
Multicultural Storytelling

Summer Programs

Early Kindergarten Transitions
4 Week Summer SUN Program
Free breakfast and lunch
nutrition program

Adult Education

Nutrition & Health
GED
ESL

Community/Cultural Events

Back to School Night
Day of the Dead Night
SUN Showcase

Family Education & Engagement

Daily communication with parents
School-wide parent meetings and activities
Back to School Night
Dia de los Muertos cultural event
SUN Showcases
Dr. Seuss Literacy Night and Book Fair

Case Management & Skill-Building

Social Support Service Referrals

System Coordination, Service Integration & Site Management

Recruitment and connection of students and families with services; development of referral system

Partner Meetings

Parent & Student Meetings

Site Management in Out-of-School Time

Partner and Resource Development

5 Community Agency Partners

74 volunteer hours contributed

\$22,086.43 leveraged in cash & in-kind donations

Evaluation

Outputs

197 youth served

67% students of color

100% identified as being “at risk of academic failure”

100% qualified for free and reduced lunch

52 adults served

142 people served in non-enrollment events

(family educational nights, cultural fairs, etc.)

Outcomes

64% of students increased benchmark scores in Reading *

85% of students increased benchmark scores in Math *

Average daily attendance of SUN CS students was **96%**

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

SUN Spotlight

Through our partnership with Chess for Success students were invited to participate in a Chess Tournament competing with other local schools. Students were beaming with pride in their Wilkes Chess T-Shirts. They watched each other compete during different rounds, echoing praise and support for each other. As they received their awards they found great joy in being Wildcat representatives and competing together. One of our students made it to the final rounds, and while he did not win, he was greeted with great encouragement and enthusiasm from his classmates. It was a wonderful exposure to the rewards that come from hard work, learning, and uniting as Wildcats!



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

