



SUN Community School Profile 2015

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Lead Agency: Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization (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: 457 students; Grades K-8; 100% Eligible for Free Meals;
70% Students of Color (African American 18%, American Indian/AK Native 2%, Asian 21%, Hispanic 16%, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 1%, Multiple Race 12%, White 30%)

Core Services

Extended-Day Activities (children and adults)

Academic Support

STEAM focused enrichment
extended day classes in
gardening, art, and science
Curriculum-aligned academic
activities & homework
support for elementary school
Academic mentoring

Enrichment

AKA Science, Saturday Academy,
Lego Robotics, Chess for Success,
Art, Vietnamese dance classes,
Multnomah County Library
StoryCorps, NW Noggins
neuroscience, Garden and Cooking,
Theater, Choir, Guitar, Arts &
Crafts, Ceramics

Recreation

Basketball, Soccer, Cross Country,
Track, Flag Football, Yoga, Gym
Recreation Games

Mentoring

Cultural and gender specific
mentoring through IRCO
INSPIRE and SSSES,
Engagement Coordinator
Portland State University Trio

Youth Leadership/Involvement

SUN Jr. Staff
Playworks Jr. Coaches
Leadership Youth Advisory

Empowerment/Skill-Building

Betties 360
Chess for Success
Portland Police Bureau Boy Strength

Summer Programs

4 week enrichment & academic
intervention program for Math &
Reading
Ceramics
Gardening and Nature Education Classes
Rogue Pack Theatre
Sports and
Early Kindergarten Transition Program
Middle School Transition Class

Adult Education

Oregon Food Bank Seed to Supper
Gardening Class, Strengthening Families,
Early Kindergarten Education

Community/Cultural Events

National Night Out, Middle School 101,
Harvest Festival, Math Night, Posada,
Garden Work Parties, Literacy Night,
Celebration of the Arts

Family Education & Engagement

Daily communication with parents; Quarterly SUN newsletter; School/SUN website; SUN Advisory Board; Community School Volunteer coordination and training; Back to School BBQ; Coffee Connections; Garden Committee; Black Parent Initiative family support; Watch D.O.G.S (dads of great students)

Case Management & Skill Building

IRCO SSES, IRCO INSPIRE, IRCO CSOC, Betties360, TRIO

System Coordination, Service Integration & Site Management

Recruitment & connection of students & families with services; development of referral system
SUN CS Advisory Body (school staff, parents, students, and partner agencies)

Partner Meetings

Student Study Team, Equity Team, Black Parent Initiative Family Support

Site Management

Partner and Resource Development

17 Community Agency Partners

2 Business Partners

392 volunteer hours contributed

\$31,997 leveraged in cash & in-kind donations

Evaluation

Outputs

309 youth served

58% students of color

46% identified as being "at risk of academic failure"

100% qualified for free and reduced lunch

24 adults served

1630 people served in non-enrollment events

(Family educational nights, cultural fairs, etc.)

Outcomes

83% of students increased benchmark scores in Reading *

97% of students increased benchmark scores in Math *

Average daily attendance of SUN CS students was **90%**

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

SUN Spotlight

IRCO's AmeriCorps academic engagement coordinator worked with our middle school team to recruit and train junior staff and junior volunteers. For their first event, 13 middle school students assisted more than 30 adult volunteers in running the school's 5th annual Harvest Festival. Students welcomed families and assisted with directions and information, helped kids decorate pumpkins and assisted students playing games. Parents of younger students complimented them on their skills and attitudes, a turnaround from previous community views of middle school students.



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

