

SUN Community School Profile 2015

Sabin K-8

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: 565 students; Grades PK-8; 25% Free and Reduced Lunch; 38% Students of Color (African American 16%, American Indian/AK Native <1%, Asian 1%, Hispanic 8%, Native Hawaiian/AK Native 1%, Multiple Race 12%, White 62%)

Core Services

Extended-Day Activities (children and adults)

Academic Support

STEM-focused classes, homework clubs;

Individual support with homework completion, academic mentoring and light case management during the school day;

Small reading intervention offered during the extended day; Middle school writing clubs; Study skills groups

Enrichment

Gardening (edible gardening, native gardening and nutrition/cooking),
Drumming, Chess,
Choir, Dance; Puppets,
Drama; Creative writing
Recycled art,
Computer coding,
Painting, Yoga

Mentoring

Concordia University Service Corps

Recreation

Soccer, Basketball, Futsal, Concordia University Athlete Corps, Field Games, Family Open Gym, Yoga

Empowerment/Skill-Building

Culture and gender specific programming
Daily awards and recognition using the International
Baccalaureate learner profiles and attributes
Portland Police Bureau Girls
Strength

Summer Programs

Chess for Success

Four week enrichment program (gardening, arts, neuroscience for middle school, recreation and literacy for K-2nd grade)

Youth Leadership/Involvement

Junior Staff program
Middle School Yearbook
Service Learning in Sabin's Edible
and Native Gardens

Adult Education

Zumba
Open Gym
Yoga
Family Futsal
Gardening
Strengthening Families

Community/Cultural Events

Global Experience Night
Healthy Families Fair
Martin Luther King Day Reception
Quarterly SUN Showcases
Sabin Gardens community work
parties
Earth Day night
Documentary Film nights

Family Education & Engagement

Daily communication with parents; Wednesday Food Bag program for families experiencing food insecurity; SUN parent volunteers; Season of Sharing partnered with Sabin PTA, Family engagement survey/needs assessment; Quarterly newsletter

Case Management & Skill Building

Region 3 SSSES; "Save a SUN Spot" teacher referral tool; Chess for Success coach & Chess tournaments

System Coordination, Service Integration & Site Management

Recruitment and connection of students and families with services SUN CS Advisory Body – school staff, parents, students, and partner agencies Resource Development:

19 Community Partners

4 Business Partners

1027 volunteer hours contributed

\$55,400 leveraged in cash & in-kind donations

Evaluation

Outputs

314 youth served

35% students of color

31% identified as being "at risk of academic failure"

27% qualified for free and reduced lunch

44 adults served

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

Outcomes

74% of students increased benchmark scores in Reading * 82% 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

Sabin SUN School's Family and Community Engagement Coordinator (AmeriCorps), along with the Sabin School Counselor. continued weekly meetings of Sabin's second year GSA (Gay, Straight, Alliance) club. Please see the description "Family Involvement/Engagement". The opportunity to ask questions and dialogue during the club meetings allowed for diverse Sabin students to come together and explore relevant social issues in a safe space. Several students spoke privately with SUN's AmeriCorps member about looking forward to these meetings as a safe space and source of self-esteem and belonging.





