



SUN Community School Profile 2015

Lent 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: 555 students; Grades K-8; 100% Eligible for Free Meals;
77% Students of Color (African American 8%, American Indian/AK Native <1%, Asian 16%,
Hispanic 45%, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 1%, Multiple Race 6%, White 23%)

Core Services

Extended-Day Activities (children and adults)

Academic Support

AKA Science; Afterschool Supper program; Camp Fire; Homework Club; Reading Groups; Spanish Literacy; Spanish Immersion Student Support; Tutoring

Enrichment

A World of Books; Chess for Success; Cooking; Games Galore; Garden Club; Garden Educator; Hip Hop; Multicultural Art Class; Reimagining Cultural Leaders Art Class; Spanish Art Class, Spanish Math Games

Youth Leadership/ Involvement

Asian Leadership Group; Girl's Inc.; Lent Student Council; Latino Leadership Group; Playworks Junior Coaches; SUN Student Volunteers

Recreation

Basketball; Bike Repair; Daily Recess; Hip Hop Class; Open Gym; Soccer; Track; Volleyball

Summer Programs

Academic Summer School (4 weeks)
Academic Summer School Spanish Immersion (4 weeks)
Early Kindergarten Transition (EKT) Summer Program (3 weeks)
Weekly Summer Garden Club (4 weeks)
Summer Lunch Program

Adult Education

Adult ESL; Latino Network Colegio de Padres; NWFS Parent Workshops in Spanish; Parent Child Development Services (PCDS) for API families & Latino Families; Parent Groups in English, Spanish & Vietnamese; Zenger Farm Cooking Workshops

Empowerment/Skill-Building

Chess for Success; Girls Inc.; Asian Student Leadership; Conexiones Latino Student Leadership, Student Led Activities; Student Volunteers; Lent Garden Committee

Community/Cultural Events

Back to School Night; Dia de Los Muertos Celebration; Earth Day Celebration; Fiesta Latina; Harvest Carnival; Lunar New Year Celebration; Lent Garden Work Parties; Multicultural Night; SnowCap Food Boxes; Staff VS Students Volleyball Game; Staff VS Students Basketball Game; Walk/Bike Day; Winter Craft Night;

Family Education & Engagement

Daily communication with parents; School-wide Parent Meetings & Activities; Spanish Immersion curriculum nights; Cooking workshops focusing on healthy eating & gardening; Lent PTA; Student Parent Nights; Family Literacy Nights; Vietnamese Literacy Nights

Case Management & Skill Building

IRCO InSPIRE Academic Case Management for students of Latino & Asian/Pacific Islander Heritage; IRCO FACES Case Management for Parents of Vietnamese, African Immigrant & Middle Eastern heritage; Impact NW SHSF Rental Assistance Program & Case Management for Lent Families

System Coordination, Service Integration & Site Management

Recruitment & 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
25 Community Agency Partners
4 Business Partners

480 volunteer hours contributed
\$89,266 leveraged in cash & in-kind donations

Additional Services

Computer access; Food Back Pack Program, School Pantry
Referrals for Clothing Closet, Energy & Rental Assistance, and
for Holiday gifts & Food; Health Services; Interpretation/
Translation in Spanish & Vietnamese for Lent Families

Evaluation

Outputs

257 youth served

77% students of color
89% identified as being "at risk of academic failure"
100% qualified for free and reduced lunch

50 adults served

1451 people served in non-enrollment events
(family educational nights, cultural fairs, etc.)

Outcomes

84% of students increased benchmark scores in Reading *
69% of students increased benchmark scores in Math *
Average daily attendance of SUN CS students was 92%

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

SUN Spotlight

Last year SUN, in a partnership with the Lent Garden committee, worked to attain a community grant through EPNO (East Portland Neighborhood Office) and ONI (Office of Neighborhood Involvement) to hold an International Community Cook-Off. The goal was to invite parents & others from the Lents neighborhood to come together and cultivate community through food. We had over 35 participants & volunteers that included our Vietnamese parent group, our Latino parent group, the Franklin High School foods class and the Lent SUN cooking class. Additionally, we had Zenger Farms and the Oregon Food Bank as partners who joined in the cooking fun.

As families & community members sampled delicious foods and followed their passport to travel the food world, they also learned about community partners of East Portland. The Boys & Girls Club, APANO, Green Lents, Growing Gardens, Lents Farmers Market, Lent PTA and games with Playworks, were all participants in this event.

To end the successful evening, we raffled off prizes donated by all our partners as well as items purchased from the grant. We even had handmade masterpieces created by SUN staff that were a big hit with families.

Overall, we were able to reach an audience of over 250 students, staff members and community organizers. All of this accomplished by a grant from EPNO & ONI and the hard work of leveraged funds by SUN staff. This event will definitely be something that we can look forward to at Lent SUN School for years to come!



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

