



SUN Community School Profile 2012

Vernon PK-8

Lead Agency: Self-Enhancement, Inc.

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: 501 students; Grades PK-8; 72% Free and Reduced Lunch; 72% Students of Color (Asian 3%, African American 38%, Hispanic 23%, American Indian/AK Native <1%, Multiple Race 7%, Pacific Islander <1%, White 28%)



Core Services 2011-12

Extended-Day Activities (children and adults)

Academic Support

Homework Club
Self Enhancement, Inc. In-School Program
Multnomah County Library School Corps
AKA Science
Academic Enrichment
I Have A Dream
Social Support Services for Educational Success (SSSES)

Enrichment

Chess for Success
Ethos Music Lessons
Arts & Crafts
Concordia Performing Arts Corps
Fashion Design
Garden Club
Cooking
Lego Robotics
Computers
Digital Photography

Family Education & Engagement

Daily communication with parents
School-wide Parent Meetings
Back to School Night; IB Parent Night; Winter Craft Night; Family Gardening Workshop;
Family Recess Night; Parent Coffee Talks

Recreation

Soccer
Basketball
Dance
Ballet
Hip Hop
Creative Dance
Latin Dance
Cheer Squad
Cycling Club
Zumbatomic

Summer Programs

Math and Literacy Classes
Student Leadership & Community Service
Community Exploration
Computer Technology
Sports & Recreation
Garden Club
Science and Art

Mentoring

Gender Groups: SRB/BRB

Youth

Leadership/Involvement

Student Leaders for Service
Neighborhood Investigators
Latino Cultural Club

Empowerment/Skill-Building

Bicycle Safety Club
Digital Photography
Student Leaders for Service

Adult Education

Exercise & Fitness Classes
Home Weatherization Workshop

Community/Cultural Events

Multicultural Family Night
SUN Showcase
Black History Month Celebration
Dia de los Muertos Celebration

Case Management & Skill Building

Case Management provided by Self Enhancement, Inc In-School Program for students 3rd – 8th grade, I Have A Dream, and Social Support Services for Educational Success (SSSES).

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

12 Community Agency Partners

2 Business Partners

457 volunteer hours contributed

\$11,375 leveraged in cash & in-kind donations

Additional Services

Food Drive for Thanksgiving Food Boxes

Vernon Food Pantry

Weekly Food Back Pack and Food Box Program

Family and Community Needs Assessment
and Resource Referrals

Evaluation 2010-11

Outputs

322 youth served

80% students of color

76% identified as being “at risk of academic failure”

79% qualified for free and reduced lunch

307 adults served

1449 people served in non-enrollment events
(family educational nights, cultural fairs, etc.)

Outcomes

80% of students increased benchmark scores in Reading

83% of students increased benchmark scores in Math

Average daily attendance of SUN CS students was 94%

According to teachers, of students who regularly
attended SUN CS:

70% improved **classroom academic performance**

52% improved getting **homework** in on time

62% **participated** in class more

56% improved **behavior**

58% came to school more **motivated to learn**

3rd Annual Food Drive a Big Success!

Through multiple partnerships Vernon School has pulled together to provide a holiday meal to 37 of our families, which equals approximately 176 people served. Through wonderful community and business partners like East Portland Rotary; Vernon PTA; Vernon Teachers, Students and Parents; Self Enhancement, Inc.; Amalgamated Sugar Company; PSU, and SUN, we were able to raise enough food to fill our school pantry. This food drive has allowed us to stock up with the supplies we need for when students and families are in need. Many of our students have learned valuable lessons through their work with the Food Drive. One of the main lessons is about the importance of helping others when they have a need. Also, how important it is to work together to accomplish an important goal. As the year goes on I look forward to the privilege of providing our students with meaningful service-learning projects.



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