Putting the School at the Center of Community Schools

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Workshop Agenda

1. Overview of New Day for Learning
2. Common challenges and successful strategies?
3. Schools & District – lessons learned and group discussion
4. Public and Non-profit Partners – lessons learned and group discussion
5. Seamless Day and Year – lessons learned and group discussion
6. Wrap Up
A New Day for All Students: A Citywide Partnership for Student Success
New Day for Learning Background

- 2007 New Day for Learning Report from Mott’s Advisory Board

- Found students are disengaged and that we need to expand how, when and where young people learn

- Placed collaboration at the heart of NDL – everyone has a role in providing the people, partnerships and pathways to engaging, real world learning

- Funded 2 demonstration sites (San Francisco and Providence) and engaged 8 additional cities in a learning community
NEW DAY FOR LEARNING VISION

The district and partners have increased capacity and focus on developing 21st century skills through experiential learning opportunities.

2. Experiential 21st century learning

3. Seamless Day & Year

4. Family & Community Connections

Families and community are engaged and supported by schools that are the centers of their community.

Build a network of Community Schools with deep, focused partnerships based on shared outcomes for student success.

1. Deep & Focused Partnerships

2. Leveraged resources for professional development & alternative assessments; joint definitions/tools for promoting 21st c skills.

3. Recommendations on alignment of afterschool, based on network best practices; summer learning pilot in 3 sites, with citywide collaborative.

4. Protocols for increased support from FRGs; Plan for 1 Learning Zone, with pilot elements implemented.

1. Map of status of community schools elements; Criteria for effective partnerships; community schools symposium

Early Adopter Sites

Burton: Wall to wall academies supported by deep partnerships; student centered school; meaningful family engagement & community supports.

Drew: One Band, One Sound: Seamless PreK–3 instruction with community engagement and a coordinated, comprehensive system of on-site student & family support.

Hillcrest: Full-service school with innovative curriculum for 21c learning, alternative assessments, seamless afterschool and summer learning.

Muir: Vision as a green school; continuum of social-emotional training & supports; aligned afterschool; anchor a “Magic Zone” with key partners.

Revere: Expanded, real world learning, including afterschool and summer; deep, coordinated partnerships; strong family outreach and on-site family supports.

KEY YEAR 1 BENCHMARKS

SYSTEM-LEVEL STRUCTURES

• Design & Implementation Committee
• CBO Advisory Committee
• Governance Committee
• Afterschool Committee
• Afterschool Workgroup
• Summer Learning Collaborative

PARTNERS

• SFUSD
• DCYF
• City Departments
• Community Based Organizations
• Cultural Institutions
• Institutions of Higher Education

Burton:

Drew:

Hillcrest:

Muir:

Revere:
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- A few common challenges?
- Strategies you have tried?
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High Leverage Strategies

- **Schools & District:** Embedding the community school lens
- **Public and Non-profit Partners:** Making student success part of the mission & goals
- **Seamless Day and Year:** Expanding learning opportunities for students and collaborative opportunities for partners
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NDL Guiding Principles
- Schools as Centers of Community
- Deep, Focused Partnerships Across Sectors
- City as Classroom
- Seamless Day and Year
- Holistic Approach to Children and Families

Governance Committee
School Alliance, SFUSD, Mayors Office, DCYF

Design & Implementation Committee
30+ representatives from SFUSD, City, CBOs and funders

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City Departments
DCYF
Public Libraries
First 5
Human Services
Agency
Dept. Public
Health
Juvenile Justice
Community of
Opportunities
Mayors Office of
Community
Investment
MOEWD

Community Based Orgs.
Arts & Culture
Behavioral Health
Civic Engagement
Community
Centers
Community Dev’t
Early Childhood
Educational
enrichment
Family Support
Legal Aid
Workforce Dev’t
Volunteer
Youth Dev’t

School District
Policy &
Operations
Instruction, Innovation &
Social Justice
- Leadership,
Equity,
Achievement
& Design
- Academics &
Professional
Development
- Student Support
Services

Workgroups on
Systems Issues
CBO Advisory
Committee
Summer
Learning
Pathways –
linked with CLP
School-Based
Mental Health -
PK3 & NDL sites
Align School &
Afterschool – w/AFA

Early Adopter Network
Burton
High
Drew
(Prek-3)
Hillcrest
ES
Muir
ES
Revere
K-8

Learning Circles:
- Principals
- Afterschool
- Family Engagement
- Community Conveners
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District & Policy Efforts

*Embedding the community school lens*

- Identifying and Connecting to ALL players
- Board of Education
- Building understanding and a common vision
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Public and Non-Profit Partners

*Making student success part of the mission and goals of all partners*

- Create a forum for CBOs to dialogue and collaborate with the school district
- Foster and maximize cultural shift within city departments
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Seamless Day: Expanded Learning

*School-Afterschool Alignment*

- Integration with the school planning (BSC)
- Afterschool participation in grade level meetings
- Project-based learning
- 21st century skill development
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Seamless Year: Summer Learning!

*Citywide Summer Learning Network*

- Compelling and exciting!
- Amazing opportunity for collaborative vision, goals, planning and resource development
- Leveraging the city as classroom and all stakeholders as learning partners
- April Summer Provider Fair
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Seamless Year: Summer Learning!

Goals for Pilot Sites:
- Students are engaged in and excited about learning.
- Students develop meaningful relationships with adults and peers during the summer.
- Students develop awareness of the cultural resources of SF.
- Students improve their health and fitness habits.
- Families increase connection to and engagement with their schools.

Demonstrates how CBO partners make summer possible

Summer Learning Zone!
Sharing resources, professional development, space, and programming
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Final Questions, Comments or Ideas?
Thank You!

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