

How To Tell Your Community School Story

The following suggestions offer different actions you and your organization can take to have your voice heard about the impact of Community Schools. They range from educational to advocacy to lobbying that can be used at the local, state, and/or federal levels. Even if your representative is not on a decision-making committee, they still have a vote, and every vote counts! It is up to your discretion to decide what action(s) are best for you and your organization.

Educational Activities

- Educate your representative on what Community Schools are
- Thank your representative for supporting Community Schools
- Tell your representative about the impact Community Schools investment(s) have on your community and students
- Host a site visit by inviting your representative to visit your school
- Promote the work you are doing on social media

Advocacy Activities

- Call your representative and tell them about the impact of Community Schools on the children, youth, and families in your area
- Write to your representative why Community Schools matter in your community
- Meet your representative to tell them about the importance of Community Schools

Lobbying Activities

- Join an action network
- Organize a letter writing (or another form of communications) or phone campaign
- Ask your representative to fund Community Schools