

Year End Report 2014

Cities In Schools, Inc.



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bright smiles. bright minds. bright futures.

Approved by the Board on



Mission Statement

The mission of Cities In Schools is to assist the community to help the area schools meet the critical needs of students, provide a safe, nurturing environment in which students receive mentoring and participate in literacy activities.



Program Activities

Cities In Schools has two programs, both of which focus on literacy. Through the after school and summer day camp, Cities In Schools focuses on raising students' literacy skills in reading and math.

Afterschool

The afterschool program is open every day that school is open from 3:00 until 5:30. The students rotate through a structured afternoon designed to provide them with time to complete homework assignments, tutoring is available, including customized tutoring, participate in physical activities and nutrition lessons, participate in daily literacy activities as well as weekly character building classes. Students also receive a full meal through an active partnership with Regional Food Bank. Through the after school program students participate in the CATCH program and Basic Training. Ardmore Little Theater provides 3 drama classes a week, and produces 2 performances a year starring the after school students.

Summer

The summer day camp is open the months of June and July from 7:30 until 5:30. The students rotate through a structured day that includes 30 minutes of monitored independent reading, read out loud time, reading activities, math activities, media time, computers, music, arts and crafts, character building, physical and nutritional education, drama and recess. Through the day camp students also receive a full breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack daily through a partnership with Regional Food Bank, which does allow children to take food home. Students participate in weekly field trips including trips to the Ardmore Community Swimming Pool, skating rink and the fourth and fifth graders participate in activities hosted by the Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation.

Success of Programs

Cities In Schools measures the success of the program by monitoring the RIT scores of the students enrolled in the programs. The RIT scores allows for measurement that will show growth or loss of literacy skills over a set period of time. RIT stands for Rasch UnIT, a measurement scale developed to simplify the interpretation of test scores (Maranacook Schools, <http://www.maranacook.org/nwea>). In other words the RIT tests are designed to measure the amount and difficulty level of certain tested materials which a child has learned. The following are results of programs:

- Summer 2012- Each student in attendance raised their overall RIT scores in math and reading an average of 0.8 points.
- After school 2012-2013- Each student who finished the program tested well within their current grade level in reading and math on the RIT tests, most tested at the high end of their current grade.
- Summer 2013- Each student in attendance raised their RIT score for reading and average of 1.82 points and in math 0.5 points.
- After school 2013-2014- Each student who finished the program tested well within their current grade level in reading and math on the RIT tests, most tested at the high end of their current grade.



Financial Standing

Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2014

Cash & Cash Equivalents \$127,881.28
Other Current Assets \$0
Total Current Assets \$0
Equipment and Other Non-Current Assets \$6,523.54
Current Liabilities \$3,402.75
Long Term Liabilities \$34,625.72
Net Assets \$96,376.35
Total Liabilities & Net Assets \$134,404.82

Revenue

Program Service Fees \$100,874.94
Contributions and Grants \$436,160.51
Other Revenues \$0
Total Operating Revenues \$537,035.42

Expenses

Program Expenses \$265,512.48
Management & General Expenses \$170,990.38
Fundraising Expenses \$0
Total Operating Expenses \$436,502.86



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