

Our Community

Kearns Junior High has a long tradition of academic achievement and partnerships with the community. Kearns Junior High serves approximately 600 students in the 7th and 8th grades. Approximately 75 percent of students fall below the federal poverty line, qualifying them for free or reduced-price lunch. About 60 percent of the students at Kearns Junior High are ethnic minorities. Currently, 16 different languages are spoken by our students. Over 40 percent of our students are bilingual or are English Language Learners. Last year, Kearns Junior High had the highest amount of academic growth in each grade across all junior highs in the district. This is due to the collective efforts of our teachers, faculty, partnerships, and dedication of our students.

Our Promise

Our promise is to create opportunities so that all children and families, regardless of their circumstances, have the same chances to succeed in school and life.

Our Progress

During the 2015-2016 academic year, Kearns Junior High's school grade, released annually by the Utah State Office of Education and based on student achievement and academic growth, increased from a C to a B. The percentage of 8th graders proficient in math rose from 10 percent to 22 percent during the most recent school year. Kearns Junior had the highest growth of any junior high school in Granite School District on eighth grade language arts, seventh and eighth grade math, and seventh and eighth grade science. On the Scholastic Reading Inventory, a key literacy assessment given to secondary students, 35 percent of students saw more than a year's amount of growth in just one year.



Promise Partners

- AmeriCorps *Read. Destination Graduation.*
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Utah
- Community Nursing Services
- Department of Workforce Services
- Granite School District
- Junior Achievement of Utah
- Latinos in Action
- Salt Lake County *Youth Services*
- Take Care Utah
- Utah Partners for Health
- Utah Food Bank

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Give your time. Lend a hand. Every minute counts toward making a positive impact in others' lives.

To volunteer now, contact:

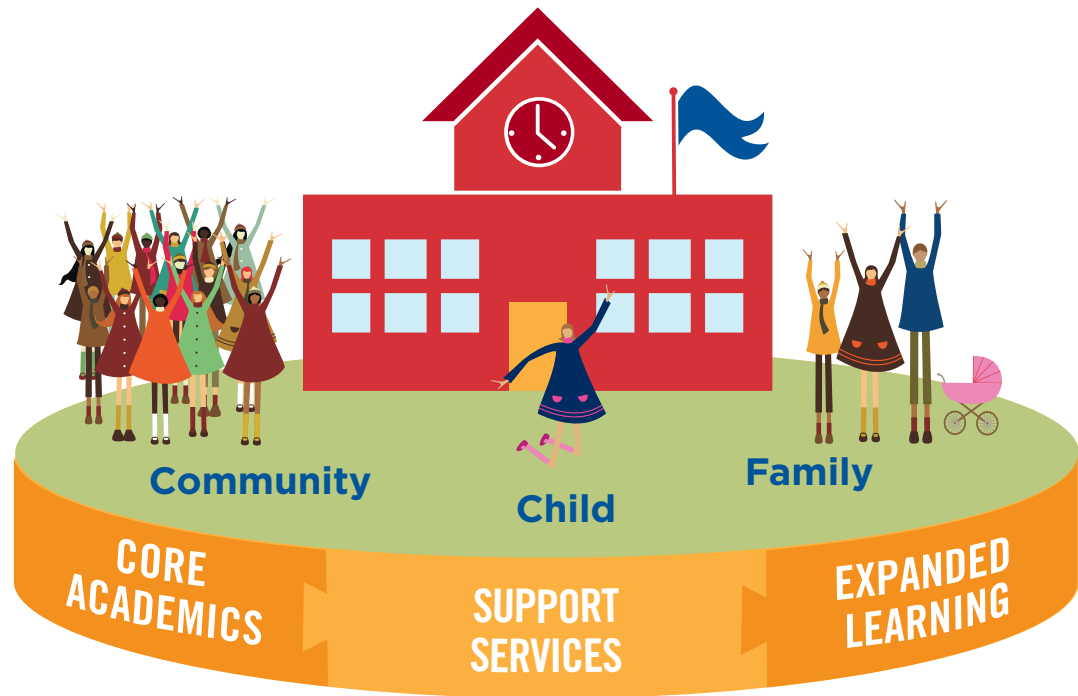
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Community Schools

A NEW WAY OF TACKLING OLD PROBLEMS

Community schools provide opportunities for children, families, and communities. Partners integrate education, health, basic needs, tutoring, afterschool programs, and more to ensure kids are on track to succeed in school.



Promise Partnerships by the Numbers*:

8 PROMISE PARTNERSHIP COMMUNITIES

43+ COMMUNITY SCHOOLS AND NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS

170+ PROMISE PARTNERS

1,000's OF VOLUNTEERS

137,000+

LOW-INCOME STUDENTS HAVE BEEN POSITIVELY IMPACTED IN OUR COMMUNITY

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* Source: "2017 Results Matter Report of the Promise Partnership Regional Council", uw.org/research-and-reports

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