

Current Footprint

Our OST program objectives are to serve 100 students living at or below the poverty level (ages 5-18 or until high school graduation) to:

- Develop skills to make wise lifestyle choices (abstaining from substance abuse, violence, bullying and setting aside time to study)
- Increase their high school graduation rate
- Encourage volunteerism in the community
- Increase enrollment in college/ career-path training
- Support students and their families through critical transitions (pre-K to elementary, elementary to middle school, middle to high school, and high school to college or career training)
- Partner families with community collaborators to address family goals and needs

Services & Outcomes Measurement

Our staffing ratio is 1:14 in k-1st grade and in 2nd-6th grade the ratio is 1:19. The staff is responsible for daily schedule, lesson plans, supervision of children at all times, providing daily snack, having learning center in their classroom, making sure they follow the rules and regulations of the NC Laws for licensing, being professional, checking on the progress of the students and families we serve.

Activities include homework assistance, tutoring, problem solving, healthy choices training (students and caregivers), life skills building, mentor pairing, college and cultural exposure, arts enrichment, STEM projects, and literacy enrichment.

We host annual parent conferences, student and family assessments on their dreams aspirations, perspectives on program activities and specific academic and social challenges. This information, along with feedback from public school staff, volunteers and OST classroom teachers is used to inform the program design. We use the following specific tools/ sources to measure and verify the outcomes of the program:

- Diplomas & transcripts (annual)
- Report cards (quarterly) & EOG/EOC test scores (annual)
- Attendance reports (monthly)
- Student and Family Surveys (annual)