

# OUR VISION

OUR CALLING FOR NOW AND YEARS TO COME

We support lasting change in OKCPS that improves the quality of education for every student.



OKLAHOMA CITY  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
FOUNDATION

# OUR MISSION

HOW WE PURSUE OUR CALL

Our mission is to advance excellence, advocate for equity, and build strong community support for Oklahoma City Public Schools.

## OUR CORE VALUES

WHAT WE CARE ABOUT MOST

- Quality education that provides equitable opportunities for all students
- Stewarding strong community partnerships and collaboration
- Transparency/Fiduciary responsibility/Strong governance
- Ensure a committed and energized board

## STRATEGIC FOCUS AREAS

FOCUS FOR MAXIMUM IMPACT

- Provide Innovative Teacher/Classroom/School Support
- Support efforts to recruit and retain Urban-ready, top quality teachers and leaders
- Build Advocates for OKCPS
- Grow funding and infrastructure to support long term priorities for the Foundation and OKCPS

**A good strategy isn't just what you will do. It's what you won't do.**

## STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES 2022-2023

- Develop and use resources strategically to create lasting and measurable outcomes for OKCPS, as well as sustainability for the Foundation.
- Ensure alignment with OKCPS and robust communication with the community to remain focused on long term impact, while also addressing (with a clearly defined role) evolving short term needs.

### **Provide Innovative Teacher/Classroom/School Support**

- Continue growing partnership with DonorsChoose
- Activate Partners in Action priorities: STEM, Fine Arts, Wellness
- Lead and support ReadOKC
  - Reading Challenges
  - Reading Buddies
  - Access to Reading Materials

### **Support Efforts to Recruit and Retain Urban-Ready Teachers and Leaders**

- Expand effective programs
  - Teacher Pipeline Programs (Bilingual and Diversity) to grow teacher workforce that mirrors our student population
  - Urban Teacher Preparation Academy that provides mentorship and professional development to new teachers entering OKCPS
  - Bilingual/Diversity Aspiring Administrators Pipeline Program (launching Fall 2022) for OKCPS teachers on track to become school administrators to earn their MA in Educational Leadership

### **Build Advocates for OKCPS**

- Continue to share OKCPS success stories
- Engage with state and local leaders to promote positions advantageous to OKCPS students and district priorities for funding
- Establish district programs to effectively engage with community partners

**ENGAGE AND CONVENE COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR SUSTAINABLE SUCCESS IN OKCPS**

# PROVIDE INNOVATIVE SUPPORT

FOR TEACHERS/CLASSROOMS/SCHOOLS

## DONORS CHOOSE

Financial Impact District-Wide  
Since Partnership's Inception in 2014

 **\$9,182,003**

Projects Funded with Help from the Foundation in 2022-23

838 projects

totaling \$361,825

1st Quarter 2022-23 School Year

## DONORSCHOOSE AND TEACHER RETENTION:

Recent studies show that having a project funded through DonorsChoose makes a teacher **22% less likely to leave in a given school year**. This finding supports the statement that providing individualized resources selected by teachers through crowdfunding reduces the likelihood that they will leave the profession.

## PARTNERS IN ACTION

- **\$1,113,854** 2022-2023 School Year 1st Quarter Impact
- **\$31,851,589** Overall Impact Since 2015
- **39** PIA Projects completed in the 1st Quarter

# GROW TEACHER AND LEADER

RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

## PROGRAM EXPANSION

### Teacher Pipeline Programs



58 Participants



13 Graduates



- **41** Bilingual Teacher Pipeline Program Participants
- **16** Diversity Teacher Pipeline Program Participants
- **1** High School to Teacher Pipeline Participant

### Urban Teacher Prep Academy



20 Current Participants



66 Total Participants



Over 5 Years

## 10 BILINGUAL/DIVERSITY ASPIRING ADMINISTRATORS PIPELINE PROGRAM LAUNCHED FALL 2022



### READING CHALLENGES:

Students have logged over 29.1 million minutes and over 44,000 students have met the goal of reading 20 minutes a day or more over school breaks.

### ACCESS:

- ALL Schools Now Have a Little Free Library
- Over 22,000 books distributed through ReadOKC On the Go! since July 2021

### READING BUDDIES:

After two years of Reading Buddies taking place virtually, the program resumed in person for the 2022-23 school year. There are currently 90 volunteers serving as Reading Buddies.

# BUILD ADVOCATES

FOR OKCPS



## Volunteer Efforts

Volunteers were welcomed back into the buildings to serve in-person during the 2022-23 school year. Our community was eager to return and hundreds of volunteers have already stepped up to serve as Reading Buddies, distribute coats, run the ReadOKC On the Go! mobile book bus visits, and more!



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## Community Partners

### Upcoming Events:

- Stars of Education/Teacher of the Year Announcement: May 4, 2023
- T-Up for OKCPS: May 4, 2023



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