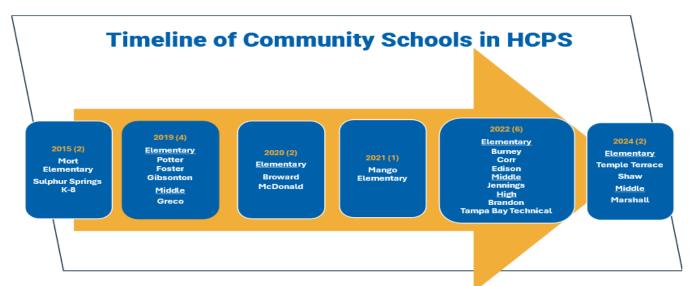


Community Schools

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What is a Community School?

A Community School is a local engagement strategy that creates and coordinates opportunities with its public school to accelerate student success. It serves as a vehicle for hyperlocal decision-making that responds to the unique needs of each community. A Community School brings together the relationships and assets of a neighborhood and utilize resources to advance the well-being of children and their families leading to academic success. The needs are determined through a practice known as The Listening Project where all stakeholders are surveyed, and results are used to develop initiatives.

Why Community Schools?

The data from Community Schools illustrates the impact in areas where initiatives are implemented based on results from "The Listening Project." The data reveals significant improvement in the following area: Increase Teacher Retention Improved Student Attendance Improved Student Behavior More Schools in partnership with Feeding Tampa Bay Increase collaboration with mentoring groups and organizations (Gentlemen's Welcome) Higher visibilities of volunteers on campuses Collaboration with Family Homelessness programs Increase number of families receiving wrap around services.

The Four Pillars

Each Community School in Hillsborough County School District is governed under the umbrella of 4 pillars and guides the work to create initiatives to support student achievement.

Pillar 1 – Integrated Student Support	Support programs that address out-of-school learning barriers for students and families. Services include. Academic needs; Mental and physical health, Nutrition, and Social services
Pillar 2 - Expanded and Enriched Learning Time and Opportunities	Opportunities include after school programs, Saturday School, Summer Learning programs, project-based programs, and internship programs.
Pillar 3 - Active Family and Community Engagement	Promoting interaction among families, administration, and teachers helps families to be more involved in the decisions about their children's education. Schools function as neighborhood hubs. There are educational opportunities for adults, and family members can share their stories and serve as equal partners in promoting student success.
Pillar 4 - Collaborative Leadership and Practices.	Parents, students, teachers, principals, and community partners build a culture of professional learning, collective trust, and shared responsibility using strategies such as site-based leadership teams and teacher learning communities.



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Brandon: A Community School

Pillar 1: Integrated Student Support	Pillar 2: Expanded and Enriched Learning Time
 Student Wellness Room- Tampa Bay Thrives Teens in Action club on campus- Frameworks Hazel Health referrals Feeding Tampa Bay Food Pantry on site Clothing closet/supply closet Hygiene items in closet Grad Nation PBIS and Brandon Bucks Community partners to provide resources at conference nights/ as needed Referrals to Brandon ECHO SCOPE Lab 	 HCC Dental presentations Financial Literacy Workshops for students and families through various partners Enriched learning for yearbook to do holiday photos for staff at Colson Elementary HCC representative on campus weekly to provide information to students Sports teams ELP Saturday EOC Prep Saturday ACT/SAT/CLT prep Clubs participating in chapter service projects Enriched volunteering opportunities at local elementary schools and Center Place ILT Eagles 4 Change/Grad Nation- mentor support Bloom Girls Big Brothers, Big Sisters School to Work Program Future Career Academy for 12th grade
 Pillar 3- Active Family and Community Engagement Nest Notes PTSA homecoming tailgate and enrichment and monthly meetings Connections with Erwin Technical Cosmetology Curls for Queens and Boys, Books, and Barbers Community School Tours Increased volunteers on campus Adding Latinos in Action course Utilizing Canvas and social media to share information Utilizing parent link to share information Hosted a holiday market for students, families, and community members Hosted a health and wellness fair for families in April Brandon Adult for GED and ESOL Parent Engagement through Frameworks workshops 	 Pillar 4- Collaborative Leadership and Practices. ILT PTSA Weekly meetings with Principal Community School Team Success Coach support Climate and Culture Resource Teacher DL Meetings Instructional coaches for Literacy and Math Teacher Talent Developer