

FAMILIES AND EDUCATION LEVY APPROVED ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW

Name: Woodland Park Zoo- ZooCrew

Website: www.zoo.org

RFQ Area Approved (select all applicable):

College and Career Readiness Expanded Learning Opportunities Social, Emotional, Behavioral, and Family Support

PROGRAM CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW (Check all applicable)

Seattle Area(s) Served:

Northeast Northwest Central Southeast Southwest

Grades Served:

Elementary (K-5) Middle (6-8) High (9-12)

Special Populations Served:

English Language Learners Special Education Other Please specify:

Areas of Support:

Math/Science Reading/Writing Attendance College/Career Language Acquisition

Passing Core Courses Social, Emotional, Behavioral, and Family Support

Service Delivery:

Before School After School During School Weekends School Breaks

Current Levy-Funded School Partners (if applicable):

Key Program Strategies (Please provide a brief overview of program strategies including number of students served and program costs):

1. 1.5-2hrs/week after school program. 12:1 student/provider ratio, Curriculum= after school STEM enrichment and conservation content/activities, Program cost per school year= \$8,000-\$12,000 (depending on number of weeks and site specific details)
2. Engage middle school aged youth in enriching STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) and conservation activities.
3. Through project-based learning we excite students about STEM subjects in school and inspire them to consider a broad range of STEM careers.
4. We work in partnership with after school providers including YMCA and Seattle Parks and Recreation.
5. Student work on STEM/conservation projects and are mentored by WPZ staff. Culminating events include a quarterly trip to the Zoo to share presentation with visitors and staff.
6. We work with schools and partners to provide a program that meets needs of the individual school.

Results Achieved (Bullets or Brief Description):

- 84% of 60 participants successfully completed the academic and participation requirements of 6 week program (Summer 2012)
- 91% of students designed and created successful research-based enrichment items (Summer 2012)
- 52 students from four sites developed original conservation action projects and presented to visitors/staff at the Zoo (Fall 2012)
- Over 200 youth served in 2012

Additional Notes:

Program goals include:

- Engage middle school aged youth from traditionally underserved communities in enriching STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) and conservation activities
- Foster ecological literacy, conservation action, and problem-solving skills in middle school youth through yearlong after school and summer science programming.
- Excite youth about STEM subjects in school, prepare them for continued involvement in Woodland Park Zoo's youth programs, and inspire them to consider a broad range of STEM careers

REFERENCE #1

School/Organization Name: YMCA

Partnership Start and End Dates: 9/15/2011-Current

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REFERENCE #2

School/Organization Name: Seattle Parks and Recreation	Partnership Start and End Dates:	
Contact Person: Will King	Phone: 206-423-1523	Email: wrking@seattleschools.org
PROSPECTIVE SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS		
Please list the school with whom you would be interested in partnering during school year 2013-2014 (see next page for list of schools):		
1) Aki	2) Denny	3) Madison 4) Mercer