The Tapestry Program of Rutland County

Providing Afterschool & Academy for K – 6th Grade

MOVE = Motivational Opportunities Vocational Exploration for 7th & 8th Graders

The Tapestry Program seeks to "Keep the Lights On" in the public schools of Rutland City, Rutland Town, West Rutland and Proctor beyond traditional school hours and in the summer.

The Program shall provide expanded learning opportunities, as well as multiple cultural and enrichment experiences in a safe drug free, supervised environment within a climate of mutual respect and dignity for all our children K-8th.

Tapestry will weave together a multitude of community resources that will support the needs of families.

Adopted October 2000

Program highlights FY 2015

Number of children and youth served over the full year was 903, without counting a child twice; Summer 561 and School year 372 served. The program currently serves 40% of student population. Six of the seven schools have FRL rates 50%-70% which indicates a need to serve more children.

<u>Summer</u>

- Academy small group tutoring focusing on Literacy & Math for 6-7 weeks
- Full thematic day camps: Dinosaurs; Mad Scientist; Heroes; Healthy You; Native Cultures; Oceans, etc.
- MOVE camps week-long theme based (grades7-9) tied to Common Core, Next Gen Science, & student interest
- Stafford Technical Center immersion experiences to explore career learning including: automotive, STEM, carpentry, etc.

Afterschool

- Academy small group tutoring focusing on Literacy & Math
- ALL sites are VT licensed, <u>5-STAR</u> rated, specialized care providers
- Homework Support
- Recreation: Basketball, Swimming Lessons, Skating, Play...
- Expanded learning opportunities: literacy, drama, health & wellness, community service, environmental studies, adventure based experiences, Lego Robots & construction, STEM, the Arts, Global Studies, & life skills

Positive outcomes for FRL qualified children & working families

- Summer: reduced learning loss & academic gains
- Improvement on local and state assessments
- School year: Teachers report students attending are prepared for learning with completed homework assignments and additional supports
- Increased self-esteem reported by students

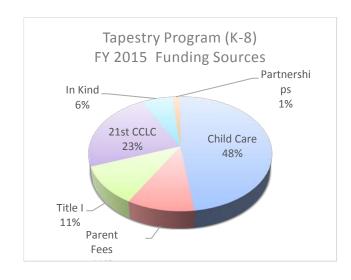
Community partnerships

- Rutland Recreation & Proctor Recreation
- Rutland Mental Health
- Department of Children and Families
- Vermont Achievement Center's Mitchell Therapy Pool



Our funding . . .

Tapestry has been sustained for 14 years by diversifying funding sources, securing grants & reducing administrative costs by combining programs between Rutland Public Schools and Rutland Central Supervisory Union. The FY15 budget is \$1,275,000.



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Our Staffing is Outstanding:

- *90% of staff linked to school day
- *Highly qualified with a minimum of 24 hours of professional development per vear

