

OPEN DOORS

St. Albans City School

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<http://tinyurl.com/sacs-opendoors>

Our vision and goals . . .

Offering St. Albans City School students exciting after-school and summer opportunities to learn and lead in collaboration with our schools and communities.

- Provide a comprehensive program to help support families.
- Engage young people in activities that encourage learning and keep youth safe.
- Practice skills in a fun and meaningful way to support student's academic success, health and well-being.
- Complement and reinforce what students are learning during the school day.
- Maintain positive connections with school day staff and other caring adults.
- Inspire young people in a trusting and supportive environment.
- Build internal and external assets.



Hands on and inquiry based science



Drumming for Success



Learning outdoor skills and nature conservation

Program Highlights....

- Serve over 250 3rd-8th graders annually.
- Offer enrichment and academic programs after-school and in the summer since 2003.
- Engaging classes include: art, science, literacy, nutrition education, drumming, technology, language, fitness, problem solving and creative thinking.
- Provide nutritious snacks/meals and busing.
- Active collaborations with: St. Albans City School, local businesses, community experts, parents and young people.
- Parents appreciate: great staff communication, their children learning new things, their children enjoy staying after school and have something to look forward to, and transportation.
- 56% of total students served are on free/reduced lunch, and 38% of them are regular attendees.

“My children and I really enjoy the Open Doors programs. My children benefit highly from it, both socially and academically. This program is not offered everywhere. I feel lucky we are in a town that has such great afterschool programs.” (Parent)

“I always want to go to Open Doors.” “I do not think you should change anything.” “I like that I can express my feelings.” “I like that there is a variety of classes to choose from.” “I like the instructors and helpers.” (Students)

