Community Schools
Financing and Sustainability

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Coalition Vision and Mission

• **Shared Vision**: Schools are centers of flourishing communities where everyone belongs, works together, and thrives.

• **Mission**: To unite school, community and family for young people’s success.
What is a Community School?

A Community School is a public school – the hub of its neighborhood, uniting families, educators and community partners to provide all students with top-quality academics, enrichment, health and social services, and opportunities to succeed in school and in life.
Framework Components

Collaborative Practices

1. Shared ownership for results
2. Strategic community partnerships
3. Resource coordination
4. Data-driven planning
5. Inclusive leadership
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Capacity-Building Supports

1. All-stakeholder leadership development
2. Professional Development
3. Coaching for continuous improvement
Financing What?
Support for Community Schools

• Sustainable community schools draw from a diverse blend of funding streams aligned toward the strategy.

• They align city, state, and federal public funds as well as private/philanthropic funds.

• Resource: Coalition Financing Guide
Keys to Sustainability

• Leadership
• Advocacy
• Results
• Relationships
• Stories
Thank you!

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