Youth Programs Leadership Change

Darrell Young joined the Community Education team in 2015 as the Youth Programs coordinator. Born and raised in North Minneapolis, his passion for working with youth started years ago when he worked for Minneapolis Parks and Recreation where he excelled in coaching and grass roots work with youth. Darrell, along with administrative assistant Semonne Campbell, is focusing on tailoring our youth programs to serve St. Louis Park's diverse community. One example is Girls Empowerment Group, through which middle school girls learn leadership skills, the importance of self-love, and how to effectively communicate. This class, and other Youth Enrichment and Development opportunities, provides young scholars a safe space to explore interests and embrace who they are.

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<th>Program</th>
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<td>Adult Enrichment</td>
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<td>Adult Options in Education/ESL</td>
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<td>Aquatics</td>
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<td>ECFE/Early Learning</td>
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<td>Gymnastics</td>
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<td>Kid Dance</td>
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<td>Kids’ Place (Pre-K &amp; School Age)</td>
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<td>Project SOAR (includes data from four-district consortium)</td>
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<td>Senior Program</td>
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<td>Summer Spark (youth summer enrichment)</td>
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<td><strong>Total Program Participants</strong></td>
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<td>Facilities Use (includes 78 different community groups)*</td>
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Based on Turnstile Count: Data from 2015-2016 Minnesota Department of Education Report

Community Education Revenue Sources

- **Total Revenues**: $6,157,413
- **State Taxes & Aide**: $1,755,463
- **Local Sources** (City/County funds plus local gifts & grants): $862,740
- **Tuition & Fees**: $3,539,210

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A Message From Director Lisa Greene –
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Community Education has been a part of this process since its inception with the Strategic Plan. (Strategy 4: Facilities. We will ensure our facilities are consistent with the needs of our learners and our community.) We were represented on the Learning Design Team and I am on the Facilities Administration Team.

Our goal is to ensure that the district considers best practice in facility design for ALL of our learners including our youngest learners in Early Childhood at Central Community Center and our senior learners at Lenox Community Center and for all ages in between.

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BIRTH - FIVE PROGRAMS
Preparation for your child for success in school and life, beginning at birth.

EARLY LEARNING –
Serving children ages 33 months-5 years old, the curriculum for these programs focuses on language and literacy, social and emotional development, and school readiness skills.

EARLY CHILDHOOD FAMILY EDUCATION (ECFE) – Parents and children, ages birth-5, play and learn together under the guidance of a licensed early childhood teacher.

FAMILY LEARNING - While parents enrolled in ABE learn English or work on their GED, children participate in early learning preschool and child care.

KIDS PLACE EARLY LEARNING – Provides a high quality preschool experience within a full-day child care setting.

SLP Community Education also serves preschoolers with Aquatics, Gymnastics and Kid Dance classes, all held at Central Community Center.

SENIOR PROGRAM
Health and Fitness Opportunities Increase
The St. Louis Park Senior Program, housed at Lenox Community Center, operates in partnership with the City of St. Louis Park. Seniors enjoy weekly activities such as 500 cards, party bridge, canasta, cribbage, mah jong and more. Bingo is offered twice a month, and once a month there is a country music jam session where musicians, dancers, singers and spectators come together to have a good time. Every Thursday, there is ballroom dancing in the gym, with live music. An active woodshop, led by volunteers, painting classes, and lectures on topics ranging from history to art round out the many options for lifelong learning offered through the Senior Program.

ADULT PROGRAMS
Lifelong Learning Completes

ADULT ENRICHMENT – Serves lifelong learners of all ages with courses covering a wide variety of topics such as arts and crafts, fitness and nutrition, technology, dance, music and more.

ADULT OPTIONS IN EDUCATION / Adult Basic Education – AOIE provides a solid foundation of basic education classes for adult students. Day and evening classes focus on building reading comprehension, math, preparation for GED Exam as well as speaking, listening, reading and writing skills for non-native speakers. Auxiliary services are provided at Wayside Residential Center. AOIE is a partnership between St. Louis Park, Hopkins and Minnetonka Community Education.

PROJECT SOAR – This program for adults with disabilities offers classes in a variety of social, recreational and enrichment activities. Project SOAR operates in partnership with Hopkins, Minnetonka and Wayzata Community Education.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM – Recruited and trained community volunteers for St. Louis Park Public Schools. Volunteers generously gave over 10,000 hours of their time helping students with reading, math, English language learning and more. The total value of volunteer service in the 2015-16 school year was over $238,000.

YOUTH PROGRAMS
Creating building blocks for a healthy, happy life

YOUTH ENRICHMENT – Serves students in grades K-12 and their families with a variety of classes and extracurricular activities in areas such as arts, music, sports, fitness and more.

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT - Brings students in grades 4-12 together to develop leadership skills through service learning and volunteering.

AQUATICS – Provides lessons for swimmers ages five months through senior citizens, lap swimming opportunities, and pool rental and synchronized swimming club coordination.

GYMNASTICS – Provides enrichment gymnastics classes for participants ages 2-18, and prepares athletes for competition on the SLP High School team.

SUMMER LEARNING AND PLAY – This program ensures continued learning over the summer for students grades K-8 through enrichment classes and activities.

KIDS PLACE SCHOOL-AGE CHILD CARE – Offers child care for school-age children, before and after school and all day in the summer.

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