



Empowerment

success through

Community & Partnerships

OfA believes that long-term and sustainable success is only possible through an informed, engaged, and empowered community and the many partners that we collaborate with to deliver services and resources. These include:

- ◆ North Chicago School District
- ◆ Chicago Public Schools
- ◆ Summit School District
- ◆ Berwyn North Public Schools
- ◆ Bensenville School District #2
- ◆ The University of Chicago
- ◆ The National Museum of Mexican Art
- ◆ Greater-Auburn Gresham Development Corporation
- ◆ U.S. Department of Education
- ◆ Illinois State Board of Education
- ◆ Illinois Department of Human Services

...and over 20+ partners across Northern Illinois

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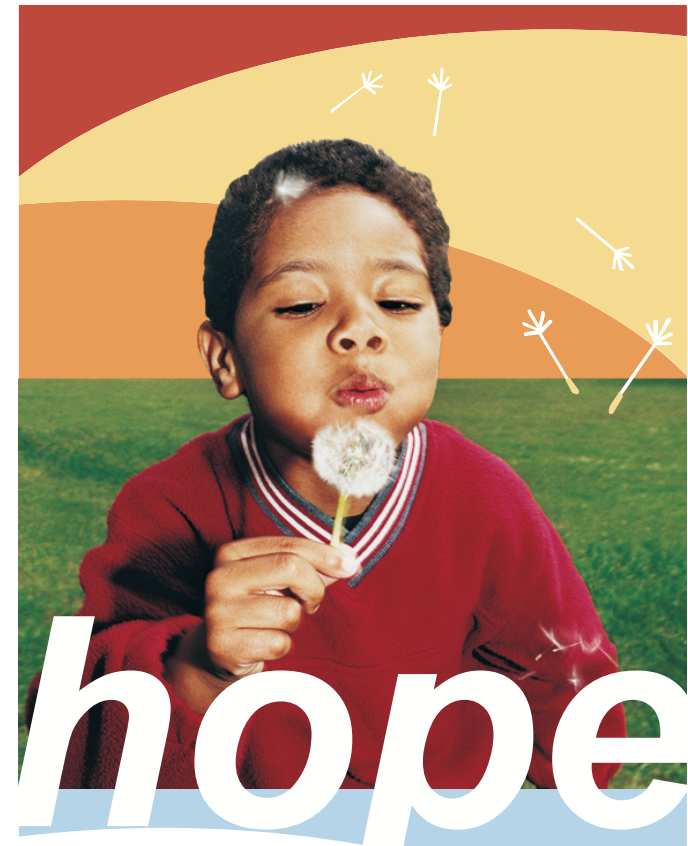
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laying the
foundation
for tomorrow's
communities



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the big picture:

*building local foundations
for a flourishing community*

Opportunities for All (OfA) is a non-profit education and empowerment organization that focuses on helping students, parents, teachers, and communities succeed through unique, identity-affirming learning experiences. OfA's goal is to create forward thinking student, parent, and community leaders through transformational and innovative educational and cultural experiences. OfA accomplishes this goal via **Student Out-of-School Time Programming, Teacher Professional Development, and Parent and Family Academic, Arts, and Empowerment Workshops** at **35 schools** across **7 school districts** from the south Chicago suburbs to North Chicago and Waukegan in Lake County. OfA carries out this work via funding from school and district partners and from grants from the Illinois State Board of Education, U. S. Department of Education, and Illinois Department of Human Services.



inclusive & holistic programs can produce **big** results



Working with principals, teachers, students, parents, families, and community members, our programs support 35 schools and over 9,500 students and their families.



Student out-of-school time programs

STARR, ACES, SAIL, EPIC, Fitness Culture, and PACTT are 21st Century Community Learning Center, U.S. Department of Education, and Teen REACH funded programs that provide over 200+ before/after school and weekend classes and clubs in the areas of the arts (visual art, music, dance, drama), academics, college and career readiness, STEM, fitness/sports, leadership, and community involvement.

These programs help students from K to 12 stay involved in fun, challenging, and thought-provoking year-round activities that have led to increases in many qualitative and quantitative areas such as positive behavior, self-esteem, leadership, school grades/assessments, and attendance.

Teacher professional development

SPARK, Fitness Culture, and PACTT are Teacher Professional Development (PD) programs that provide teachers with ongoing hands-on sessions and follow-up coaching and in-class support in the areas of the arts, arts integration, physical education, and health and wellness.

Through these (PD) programs, teachers are able to create lessons, units, and customized classroom activities that not only enhance instruction, but also lead to increased content area skills and student achievement across the curriculum. PD programs are designed and delivered in full collaboration with teachers, administrators, and partners.

Parent and family workshops

As part of our services to school and district partners, OfA presenters and partners provide parents and families with hands-on workshops in the areas of STEM, fitness, wellness, personal/family development, community empowerment, and the arts (visual art, dance, drama, and music). OfA's goal through these workshops is to offer participants with the necessary knowledge and resources to better support their child's at-home learning.

In addition to workshops, OfA is now working with some district partners in the development of a school/district-based parent learning academy that will give parents year-round workshops on how to become informed and effective school community advocates.