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DURING THE 2021 - 2022 SCHOOL YEAR



students

and families

were served













math scores

In-Home visits were made by Parent Educators

WHO WE SERVE



are children







student of color





100%

of students and families are low-income



71%

speak a language other than English in their homes

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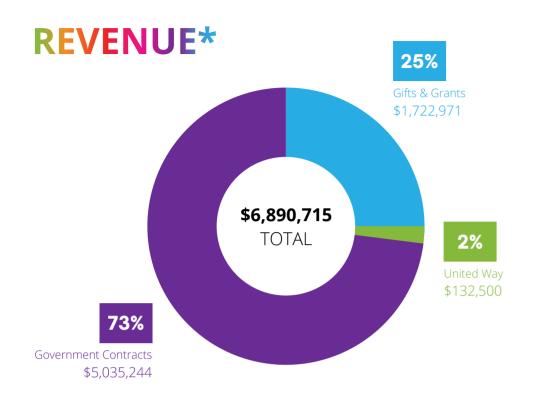
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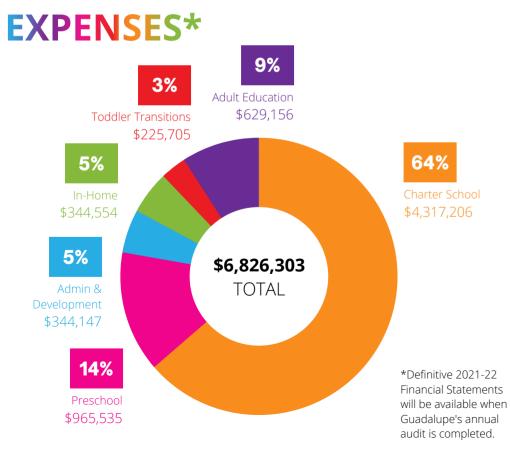






July 2021 - June 2022





"I SEE SMILES AND HOPE ON THE FACES OF OUR STUDENTS AGAIN."

The 2021-2022 school year at Guadalupe School was a vast improvement from the challenges presented during the previous year. While we still felt the impacts of COVID and wore masks for most of the school year, students were back in the building full-time. We learned that in-person learning is the best fit for our students, and we couldn't have been more thrilled to have our students back in classrooms full-time. Guadalupe School also saw the return of family events, assemblies, and end-of-year celebrations. Things started to feel "normal" again. While the pandemic seemed to ease, learning loss caused by COVID-19 became a harsh reality. We are proud of our students and staff for facing this loss with resolve and hard work. The good news is our students are catching up. They have worked tirelessly with teachers, tutors, and volunteers, and we are seeing big improvements.



Guadalupe School's Early Learning Center provides high-quality educational programs for our youngest students. The In-Home Family Support program's four parent educators conducted 655 home visits during the 2021-2022 school year. These educators connected families with essential services, provided much-needed support, and helped parents realize their capacity to be their child's first and best teacher. Toddler Transitions served 27 two and three-year-olds and provided child-care for children of adult English Language students, allowing parents to focus solely on learning English. Guadalupe's Preschool program, with 111 students enrolled, was **ranked as one of the top preschools in the state.** This recognition is an enormous accomplishment, especially considering the demographic served at Guadalupe School. For the very first time, preschool students participated in afterschool, and 60 attended summer school as well. We are excited to announce that **every one of our preschool students that participated in summer school was prepared to enter kindergarten.**

A tremendous amount of effort has been put into training and certifying our Early Learning Center teachers through the Child Development Associate certification. This certification is done entirely at Guadalupe School. We supply the materials, instruction, observation hours, and help arrange the testing required for the certificate. In June 2022, we are thrilled that 16 of our Early Learning Instructors received their CDA! One of our preschool teachers, Theresa Montano, said, "It was important for me to get my CDA because I felt that there was so much more to know and learn. I wanted to come to work and give it my all for my co-workers and my students. I wanted to make sure that I was doing everything I could to be the best teacher that I could be. It was also important because my dad always wanted me to go to college and be more, which contributed to my encouragement." Guadalupe is proud to be investing in our teachers. As a result, we have seen remarkable teacher retention. Providing consistency in staffing only helps increase our children's learning, confidence, and care.

CHARTER SCHOOL

Our elementary students worked diligently to make up for the learning loss caused by COVID. We are happy to report that thanks to our generous donors, Guadalupe School can continue offering summer school and afterschool to any student needing extra learning time. These additional hours have proved vital in catching our students up.



Our end-of-year testing showed a great deal of improvement in our students. We are happy to report that **55% of our students were back at grade level in math, a jump from just 14% at the beginning of the year.** That is tremendous progress! **In literacy, 85% of our students showed growth at the end of the school year.** Attendance is also improving. Guadalupe School has consistently had a 96% attendance rate, largely thanks to our busing program. The pandemic made attendance very difficult. We are happy to report that by the end of the school year, our attendance rate was drastically improving and had grown to **87%.** We are confident our attendance will reach pre-COVID levels in the 2022-2023 school year.

Out-of-school time at Guadalupe School, which includes afterschool and summer school, not only gives students extra academic support but also provides enrichment opportunities. Through a partnership with the Gifted Music School, each student received a minimum of 40 minutes of music instruction each week. Students also participate in STEM activities, coding classes, sports, assemblies, and field trips. At Guadalupe School, we believe every child deserves a safe place during out of school time hours. The extra academic time provided during these programs showed incredible results. **85% of elementary school students improved in literacy, and math scores grew by 116%.**

Teacher retention is a massive problem across the nation. Guadalupe School made the decision last year to increase the salaries of our staff, as well as offer bonuses for teachers that plan to return to Guadalupe in the upcoming school year. We are proud to report that Guadalupe School had a 100% retention rate for our teachers. Our teachers are extremely committed to our students. They understand the importance of consistency, as well as have an immense amount of understanding of the students and their families. Staff is committed to our mission, and it drives all decisions made in our elementary school.







Guadalupe's Adult Education program had another successful year, despite some necessary closures due to COVID. **Adult Education at Guadalupe School continues to report the highest level gains in English language programs in the state.** During the last school year, the program served 371 students, all while maintaining a large volunteer group of more than 80 weekly volunteers.

The Adult Education Program also offers citizenship test preparation classes for those wanting to become US citizens. **The program continues to boast a 100% pass rate.** This past year 16 adult education students became US citizens!

Finally, we had a huge change in leadership in the Adult Education Program. Kate Brainerd, the program director of Adult Education for 30 years, announced her retirement. She officially retired in September 2022. Amber Christensen is the new Director of Adult Education. She has her MA in Language Pedagogy and was formerly an instructor in the Department of Linguistics at the University of Utah for over ten years.

MESSAGE FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

If the last two and a half years have taught me anything, it's that Guadalupe School has an incredible mission that serves those who need it most and that we can only do it because we have a dedicated community behind us.

Your support truly blew me away throughout and as we emerged from the pandemic. The students and families we serve were hit hardest by COVID, but because of your generosity, they are getting back on their feet again. We have expanded programs and are better serving our families and students, which would not have been possible without you. Despite the many challenges we faced, including several school closures this past year, I'm proud of our staff for putting in long hours and for caring so deeply for those we serve. As I walk down the busy-filled halls, I see smiles and hope on the faces of our students again.

I sincerely hope that the pandemic is behind all of us, and I look forward to brighter and more normal days again. We know the hard work to help our students catch up on their studies is just starting. With your help, we have the resources to make the difference needed. We are ready to get back to meeting our mission of "Transforming lives through education!" Thank you for your kindness and support of our school. We could not do it without you.