

ASP's 21st CCLC at Walker Elementary School...

What is 21st CCLC all about?

21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) programs support the creation of community learning centers that provide academic enrichment opportunities during non-school hours for children, particularly attending high-poverty and low-performing schools. These programs help students meet state and local standards in core academic subjects, such as reading and math; offer students a broad array of enrichment activities that can complement their regular academic programs; and provide literacy and other educational services to the families of participating children.

How does ASP's regular after school program differ from the 21st CCLC program?

ASP's 21st CCLC program at Walker Elementary School is an extension of your child's school day. In addition to providing supplemental academic support, the 21st CCLC program brings in many local partners to provide enrichment experiences to the students. Research has shown that quality afterschool programs engage a variety of partners to come together and provide a myriad of learning opportunities. The students benefit because these additional supports build confidence and knowledge and this in-turn makes them want to come to school, hand in their work and get better grades. We are fortunate to have amazing partners who support the 21st CCLC program at Walker Elementary School!

What can we expect as the program transitions from the school year, into summer?

Well, it's almost summer, already! From students to parents and teachers to administrators, this is always a time when fun and relaxation collide. Over the past couple weeks, it has been enjoyable meeting many of you, learning about what ideas you have for engaging activities, lessons and events, and sharing the plans we have for a fun and educational summer program for your child(ren). Very often, your programs provide students with the spark of hope and interest that transforms learning into excitement. Whether it is building robots, learning music or exploring art, unlocking student potential often begins by making meaningful connections and tapping into their interests in order to inspire learning. In the weeks and summer months ahead, there will be continued excitement for the 21st CCLC program. Be sure your child is registered for summer, as space is limited and offered on a first come, first served basis. You will be receiving more information about the summer program field trips and activities in the upcoming months.

We look forward to making summertime memories for 2018 together!