2022-2023 Reflection

This is what the "new normal" looks like, and Wellsprings is all in!

In addition to academic successes, students embarked on meaningful adventures to nearby parks, the coast and other local attractions. We were able to visit the Cascade Raptor Center, the Oregon Air and Space Museum, and the University of Oregon Theater. Students completed their annual community service work through habitat restoration at Buford Park, and hands-on grassroots connects via our homegrown Burrito Missionaries program.

Did we mention the grants we received to purchase more than eight new desktop computers? The upgrades will allow for more efficient state testing, better opportunities in graphic design, and more on-line educational collaboration. We are currently moving things around in order to find a permanent home for a much-needed computer lab. The 2023-2024 school year will be starting at close to capacity and expected to reach full capacity by second term. The amazing Wellsprings team will remain intact which means another year of exemplary teaching and mentorship.

Please remember to actively participate while you are part of the Wellsprings family and support us after you have moved forward. Help us work together to keep this worthwhile educational facility flourishing!

BUS BLUES

After hauling hundreds of students on plenty of pavement and miles of memories, we are told our buses have run their fair share of yellow lights and must be replaced. Updating our beloved work horses has always been a goal but now due to new city regulations we MUST replace them within a year. We are imploring all donors and benefactors to invest in the vehicles that provide our students opportunity for new adventures. A big part of the Wellsprings curriculum involves getting students out into the community so they can encounter learning experiences that teach them about the real world. Our ability to transport them on these journeys is paramount to the education we provide here.

TRUNK OR TREAT!

This year's Halloween trunk or treat was fantastic. Despite the heavy rain and wind, students, alumni, parents, volunteers and the neighborhood community came together to celebrate the spookiest holiday of the year. In a newly founded Wellsprings tradition, our team decked out their cars in solid Halloween fashion. The candy was abundant, costumes were epic and the evening ended up being another spooky success. We're looking forward to this upcoming Halloween's gathering of ghouls, ghosts, goblins and goodies.

BENEFIT CONCERT

The school's inaugural benefit concert featured the fresh rising talent of Whiteaker Hot Club as well as the Greg Nestler Band. Hosted at Wildcraft Cider Works, an exceptional venue that partnered with Fisherman's Market to provide a smorgasbord of delicious seafood and handcrafted cider, Wellsprings concert goers were treated to upbeat rhythms, harmonizing horns and groovy beats. The school raised over \$12,000 and hosted over 50 attendees! Help us double the donations and audience in early 2024. Make sure you are entered in our e-mail list so you don't miss out!

WETLANDS

Wellsprings is home to several acres of restored wetlands. Over the past year, students have utilized the space to observe nature in real time through many classroom lessons and free time to explore. Students spent time in art classes drawing wers, plants and other organisms they found. In science classes, they used the Wetlands in hands-on ant growth, botany studies, ecological systems and water testing. Many students engaged in using the

space to journal and clear their head and used the beautiful scenery to write detailed stories inspired by the ever-changing environment.

The school continued its partnership with Long Tom Watershed and other community partners like Janelle McCoy (Badass Hooves) to maintain the space and ensure invasive species are kept at bay without the use of pesticides by renting a herd of sheep to mitigate overgrowth.

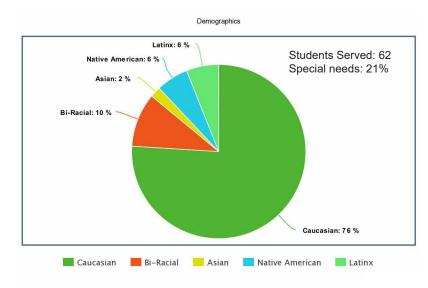
> Thanks to a grant from Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians, Wellsprings has started the process of building an outdoor classroom. Student's will be able to use the space to further their knowledge of nature while being immersed in it.

ANNUAL REPORT

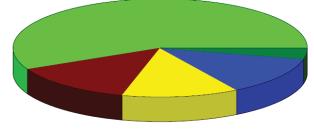
We are inspired by the 2022-2023 school year financial rebound! Let's keep it going into the 2023-24 school year! Student count was optimal, fundraising events were lucrative and donations stayed strong. As a non-profit alternative school, we need the support of people like you. The majority of our income is from the school districts. We also offer a private tuition option but both of these sources still leave us short of covering 100% of the costs needed to educate and care for our students. We provide for 100% of our student's school needs but the districts only reimburse the school 80-85% of the funds they receive from the state. This leaves the school dependent on grants, events and donations to make up the difference. This additional support not only provides the basics, it allows us to continue to offer more activities and special interest classes.

It makes perfect sense to support the youth of our community so they can make the right life choices for our collective benefit! Wellsprings is willing to do the hands-on work. We need you to get our backs.

All of us together can become a huge driving force in the community and in the world. The ripple effect of helping one student find success is immeasurable.

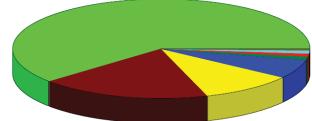


EXPENSES



Wages & Contract Work	57.21%
Payroll Taxes & Fringe Benefit	s 13.69
Programs	13.01
Operations	12.77
Overhead Expense	3.33
Total	\$694,558.02

INCOME



Tuition-Referral	61.44%
Contribution	18.71
Tuition-Private	10.28
Grants	6.26
Rental Income	1.18
Food Reimbursements	1.11
In-Kind Donation	1.02
Interest & Reimbursement Incom	e 0.01
Total	\$700,385.97

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