



Loudoun County Public Schools

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Initiative

What is a community school?

A Community School is both a place and a set of partnerships between the school and other community resources. Its integrated focus on academics, health and social services, youth and community development and community engagement leads to improved student learning, strong families and healthier communities.

Four foundational pillars to support academic success:

- ① *Health & Social Services*
- ② *Mental Health*
- ③ *Family Engagement*
- ④ *Youth Development*

Six Title I Elementary Schools

Sterling Elementary
Sugarland Elementary
Forest Grove Elementary
Rolling Ridge Elementary
Guilford Elementary
Sully Elementary

Student Demographics

- 3,028 students
- 74% are economically disadvantaged
- 69% are English Language Learners
- 337 are homeless
- 9% have disabilities

*Data from SY 2021-2022

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Community School Efforts

- On-campus food pantries
- Weekend meal programs
- School supplies
- Clothing closets
- Community resource fairs
- After school clubs and activities
- Referrals for healthcare and basic needs
- Family engagement events
- Community partnerships
- Enhanced staffing



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81%

of students had an attendance rate of 90% or higher

87%

of students feel like they belong in their school.

94%

of students had no discipline incidents within the first three marking periods

94%

of families feel that their school provides multiple opportunities for family engagement in school activities.

94%

of students feel they have a teacher or other adults at school they can talk with if they needed help with something

"Having our full time school social worker has been an incredible asset to our school community. She is not only available for student mental health needs, but she is also instrumental in our community schools initiatives in providing resources and supports for families, identifying areas where different supports are needed and organizing community events. The social workers have the expertise and knowledge to help bridge the gap between the community and the schools."

-Rhonda Lopez, Principal, Forest Grove Elementary