



2008-2009

Executive Summary

This evaluation is an outcome-based measurement of the impact of the Winners Circle Educational Program activities as they impact student knowledge, attitudes and behaviors. This evaluation also looks at the community impact of the program from the aspects of corporate/business volunteerism and parent involvement through Winners Circle activities.

Dashboard

Outcome-Based Evaluation Findings

Outcome	Findings
<p>Knowledge Gained/ Academics</p>	<p>2007-2008 Results: Winners Circle schools demonstrated a 3-6% higher yearly “growth rate” on three separate standardized tests than a control group of schools identified by the OPS Research Department.</p> <p>2008-2009 Results: Winners Circle schools demonstrated a 2-5% higher yearly “growth rate” on three separate standardized tests than a control group of schools identified by the OPS Research Department.</p> <p>Combined Results: Over the two year period above, Winners Circle schools demonstrated an 8-10% higher “growth rate” on these standardized tests than the control group. <i>See Achievement Test Improvement graph on the following pages.</i></p> <p>In addition, ninety percent (90%) of students reached their academic goals during this two year period.</p>
<p>Behavior Modified/Citizenship</p>	<p>Behavior Support 100% of teachers report that their students’ citizenship goals are written to support their classroom discipline plan. In addition,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over 7 out of 10 students achieved their citizenship goals during the 2008-2009 school year. • Ninety percent of students report through the Winners Circle student survey that they “try to reach” their citizenship goals. • Eighty-six percent of students report that they feel good about themselves when they achieve citizenship goals.
<p>Positive Community Impact</p>	<p>Parent Involvement 80% of students attending Winners Circle schools had a parent or guardian attend both school conferences. Note: The Winners Circle goal for parent/guardian attendance at school conferences for the 2008-2009 school year was 80%.</p> <p>Business Partnerships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Captains: Eighteen local businessmen/women provide leadership in the Winners Circle schools as role models and motivational speakers for students. • Goal Buddies: Twenty-nine Omaha companies/businesses send teams or individuals to volunteer as Goal Buddies for Winners Circle.



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2008-2009 School Year

Fact #		Number (Yearly total)
#1	Number of Omaha Public Schools (OPS) served	12
#2	Number of OPS teachers involved	243
#3	Number of students served	4,317
#4	Number of students achieving academic goals	3,885 (90%)
#5	Number of students achieving citizenship goals	3,324 (77%)
#6	Number of corporations/businesses involved	29
#7	Number of community volunteers involved	270
#8	Number of hours volunteered	1,539*
#9	Number of dollars in-kind donated by volunteers	\$42,800*
#10	Number of Goal Buddyl visits held	84
#11	Number of celebrations held	48
#12	Number of classroom incentives awarded	\$137,000**
#13	Number of achievement medals awarded	15,540*
#14	Number of educational materials distributed	243 (classroom sets)
#15	Number of books donated through the Summer Reading Program (Omaha Public Libraries)	190

* Estimate

** Dollar amount budgeted for the 2008-2009 school year.