

The Learning Community

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OUR MISSION

We believe that literacy empowers each individual to have a voice, assume community responsibility and take social action. We grow teacher leaders, student leaders and community leaders.

OUR NOW

Our home, Central Falls, has been the hardest hit in the state by the pandemic and in fact at times had the highest COVID positivity rates in the country – and even the world!

Our reality necessitated us being masked, socially distant, and missing essential learning time. This lack of practice dramatically impacted our performance.



OUR DEMOGRAPHICS

80% Latino, 15% Black, 3% White, 1% Asian

84% Qualify for free/reduced price lunch

46% English Language Learners

17% have IEPs



OUR CAMPAIGNS

Latino Advisory Committee

Provides our students with mentoring and career awareness opportunities

Lift Every Voice

Representation for our children of color and girls to get an education beyond the basics and grow the skills necessary to enter a conversation and be heard with those in positions of power

Level the Playing Field

Fundraising initiative that supports high-quality educational supports that all students deserve

These campaigns secured key investments and allowed our school community to learn from and connect with RI leaders and valued partners.



WE NEED YOU...

Education is in crisis everywhere,
but even more in communities of color.
That is why **we need you now more than ever!**

Since March of 2020 and the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, The Learning Community's overarching focus has been ensuring our students' and families' equitable access to distance learning tools and critical services. Our school anticipated these needs and concerns well before transitioning to distance learning temporarily, always keeping students' needs at the forefront of our response, while remaining cognizant of the socioeconomic challenges our families face.

Also, given the close, trusting relationships we have with our families, at the onset of the pandemic we took initiative to open a hotline to field any questions our families had in regards to their distance learning, technological support or seeking additional resources for food, housing, healthcare, immigration services, etc.

Although we took these crucial steps,
our students still struggled throughout the
pandemic with language development.

**With your support we are investing in the resources
needed to accelerate our students' learning and
do all we can for our community.**

OUR WAY BACK

Our strategically revamped English Language Arts (ELA) program will grow strong readers, writers and critical thinkers who have the skills to access conversations where decisions are made. As such, our students will learn to read and write in a rigorous classroom environment meeting grade-level standard expectations. Our ELA program will offer a balance of foundational skill development as well as the ability to take and express multiple points of view on a topic backed by factual evidence. Our classroom libraries will offer literature that both mirrors our students' lived experience as well as provide a window into the experiences of others. Our curriculum will grow students' knowledge about inequity across race, gender and wealth and offer our students the opportunity to apply their skills by thinking through and offering up solutions. Our ELA experience is central to growing student leaders.

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THANK YOU.

Your support of The Learning Community supports
Rhode Island and our future community leaders.