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We express gratitude to everyone who helps us create opportunity for DPS students.

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A YEAR OF IMPACT

2016-17

\$9.5M RAISED!

Statewide Youth Apprenticeship and Career Readiness Programs expanded for high school students opening many doors for bright futures thanks to \$9.5 million grant from JP Morgan/Chase and Bloomberg.

September 2016

MARS BUS

Students from McAuliffe Elementary got to experience what life on Mars would be like thanks to Lockheed Martin who provided a day of fun, exploring, and learning on an interactive Mars Bus.

LEARNING ALLY

Students with special needs received support through Learning Ally. DPS receives federal support for 1/3 of the cost of special education, with the remaining covered by DPS' general fund. For the current school year (2016-17), DPS' Student Services team allocated \$100,000 to continue Learning Ally, with the DPS Foundation committing to fundraising the remaining \$50,000.

"LEARNING ALLY IS A SET OF RESOURCES PROPOSED AND PILOTED

by our educators. It has proven to give our teachers critical tools to support the differentiated learning needs in their classrooms, and has given more than 8,000 students—-from elementary to high school—-greater confidence in their ability to learn. When we say our vision is Every Child Succeeds, we mean every child." – DPS Superintendent Tom Boasberg

DPS EMPLOYEE GIVING

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DPS employees donate to where they work making a powerful statement that Team DPS is invested financially in the outcomes of students.

November 2016

November/December 2016

SING IT TO ME SANTA BATTLE OF THE BANDS

Top three finalist student band groups perform at Larimer Lounge music venue to battle it out for the chance to perform at the Ogden for Sing It To Me Santa, a rock 'n roll concert fundraiser event.

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ACHIEVE GALA 2017

Students were showcased center stage at Achieve Gala 2017 with presenting sponsor United where the DPS Foundation celebrated 25 years of supporting DPS students and schools.

We "Celebrated Yesterday and Embraced Tomorrow" with fourth-grade student Serenity sharing how her teachers believe she can achieve her dreams; senior student Elijah discussed his plans for a future in construction and how he chose this career; and DPS graduate Daniel said he would not be in college pursuing his goal of becoming a doctor without the doors that were opened for him thanks to DPS and the DPS Foundation.

March 2011

 April 2017

COMCAST CARES DAY

13 DPS schools were given makeovers to brighten the environment at schools for students thanks to more than 1,400 volunteers from Comcast. One group of Comcast volunteers made baby blankets which were distributed to teen parents at more than 13 high schools.



PREVENTION

Students received substance abuse prevention program assistance providing curriculum and staff support for drug abuse awareness, prevention, and to help those already abusing thanks to partnership and funding from The Anschutz Foundation. Students shared the impact the class had on them with one student saying he learned that "(his) Career is more important than weed..." with many sharing it was "helpful to have someone" to talk to about the struggles of using and how to quit.

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CEC INSIDERS EVENT

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Career education classes were celebrated as strategies to close the opportunity gap as well as put students on a path for bright futures by a panel that featured DPS senior Ahmed Twaige, DPS alumna Megan Trail, and DPS leadership at DPS high school, Career Education Early College.

Today: Megan explained how she learned skills at CEC that brought her out of poverty and has given her a successful 13 year career. Tomorrow: Ahmed shared how his health classes helped him realize his dream of becoming a doctor.

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DPS SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

More than 5,000 students performed at the Denver Center for the Performing Arts Complex to showcase their acting abilities and love for the Shakespearean language.

April 2017

PARA TO TEACHER PIPELINE

Para to Teacher Pipeline, a program started by Denver Public Schools gives paraprofessionals a chance to earn a full scholarship for their undergraduate teaching degree from universities at no cost to them. With over 65% of paras in DPS being people of color, this will help to increase the diversity of DPS' teacher workforce. The program is funded in collaboration by the Denver Public Schools Foundation and Gary Community Investments



2017 COLFAX MARATHON

More than 130 members of the Denver community ran to raise money for DPS students at the Colfax Marathon at City Park. More than \$17,000 was raised.

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BRONCOS NOBLE ENERGY DAY OF SERVICE

May 2017

Noble Energy/Denver Broncos "Red Zone Program" Donations Surpass \$100,000 Mark over Past Three Football Seasons. To mark the occasion, Noble and Broncos employees joined together last week at Cheltenham Elementary for a day of service benefiting students and the school. The employees, helped with the school's field day and carnival, painted hallways and moved classrooms. The day ended with 50 students taking a special field trip to Sports Authority Field at Mile High for a tour of the stadium and presentation of a check to the DPS Foundation.

May 2



Many DPS educators and members of the Denver community purchased our first ever Limited Edition DPS Active Pants. Stay tuned for possible chance to purchase this fall!

LIGHTS ON AFTERSCHOOL

More than 3,000 students at 18 DPS schools were able to attend afterschool programs through Lights on Afterschool (LOAS) thanks to grant money received from Wells Fargo. LOAS programming provides an integrated focus on student success and positive youth

development. Afterschool provides students the opportunity to experience

deeper engagement by highly trained, quality personnel, students explore the arts, improve health and fitness, develop critical 21st Century skills and achieve academically, guided by their personal interests, leading to youth graduating from high school ready for college and/or to enter the workforce.





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DPS COMMUNITY DAYS

DPS families and the Denver community take part in many events that benefit our schools. Everything from watching Denver Nuggets, Colorado Avalanche and Colorado Rockies games to seeing performances at the Denver Center for the Performing Arts Complex students are able to experience arts and culture within our community. As an added bonus, a portion of these ticket proceeds benefit DPS students and schools!



Year-round 2016-17

"I wanted to express my gratitude for offering the discount code to the Secret Garden performance at the DCPA. This is such a lovely story that my 7 year old has really enjoyed reading with me! And, even though we really wanted to attend the show, the regular ticket prices were a little out of our budget. The discounted prices are just what we needed to make it possible for us to attend. I am so excited to get to share this with my daughter! I can't wait to see her excitement when she finds out where we are going for our special mommy/daughter date!" - Sonia, DPS parent

POWER CELEBRATION LUNCH

Ashford Celebrates Longtime Partnership. Students and their reading buddies had a lunch celebration in honor of a great year at Power Lunch. Ashford University has participated in Power Lunch for five years now, showing an amazing commitment to improving early literacy efforts for our students.