Pleasantville Public Schools
C.A.R.E.
21st CCLC Program

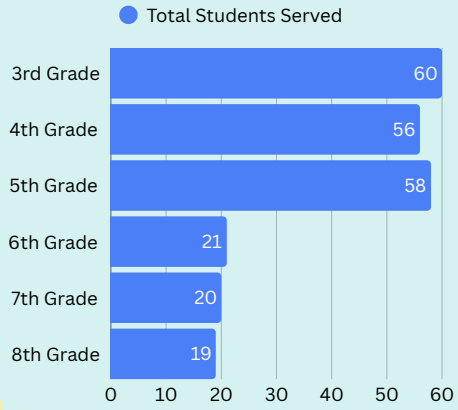
Program Overview

The C.A.R.E. 21st CCLC program strives to support student academic achievement through district-wide afterschool programs focusing on STEM awareness and technological competency, and positive youth development. The C.A.R.E. program is committed to using its theme base of STEM education to ensure that Pleasantville youth in grades 3 through 12 are motivated to invest in their education as they are supported by frequent interaction with technology and project-based learning as well as through pro-social interactions with program staff and peers.

234
Total 25-26 School Year Program Attendance

164
Students Attending Daily Across 6 Sites

46,538
Total Hours of 25-26 School Year Programming

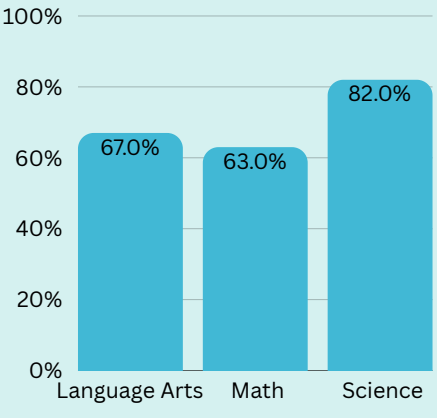


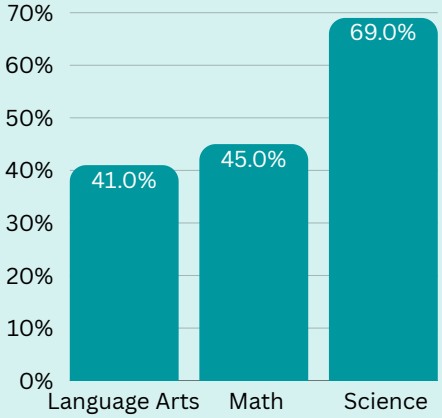
Meeting Academic Goals

C.A.R.E. Students Agree :

- Teachers after school help with homework;
- Getting good grades is important to both students and their parents;
- Parents know that homework gets done during C.A.R.E.

→ This chart shows the percentage of 3rd through 5th grade C.A.R.E. students earning A's and B's in core content areas at the end of the third marking period.





← This chart shows the percentage of 6th through 8th grade C.A.R.E. students earning A's and B's in core content areas at the end of the third marking period.

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SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

Leeds Avenue School

Serves students in grades three through five. The site's strengths are giving students freedom of choice through physical enrichment and gym activities and team building for stronger relationship skills and peer bonding.

Students' Favorite Activities:

- Gym
- Drawing/Art
- Student Council
- Dance
- Educational Board Games
- STEM
- Outdoor Enrichment

Student Council

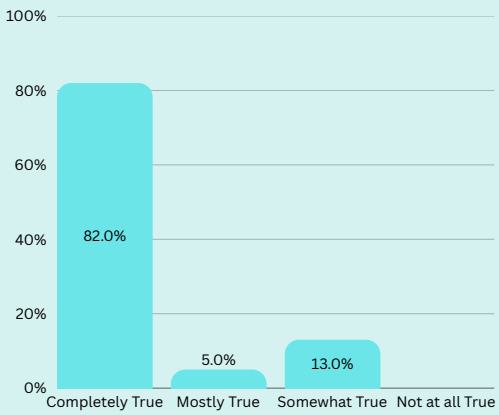
"In Student Council, we are able to suggest new ideas and activities. The President and Vice President go over the issues and the Secretary writes everything out".

– Student Council member

Positive Behavioral Outcomes

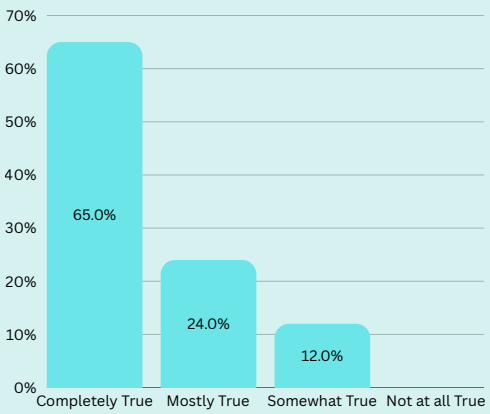
Students were asked to respond to how true statements were to them - "This program has helped me to learn about things that will be important to my future".

- Complete True- 82%
- Mostly True- 5%
- Somewhat True- 13%
- Not at all True- 0%



"In this program, there is an adult here who helps me when I have a problem ".

- Complete True- 65%
- Mostly True- 24%
- Somewhat True- 12%
- Not at all True- 0%



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SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

North Main Street School

Serves students in grades three through five. Students here enjoy expressing their individuality while engaging in problem solving, planning and imaginative thinking. Student interactions foster a strong sense of community, while developing cooperation and teamwork skills.

Students' Favorite Activities:

- Homework Help
- Parent Events
- Magnatiles
- RC Cars
- Legos
- Kickball

Homework Help

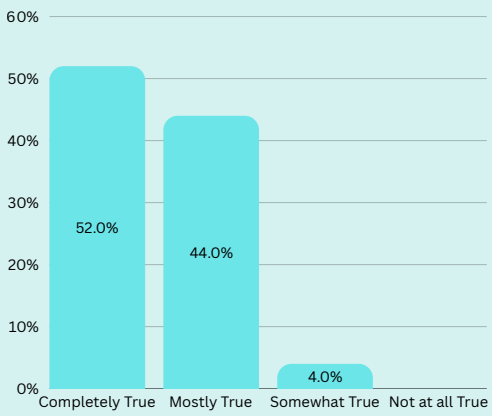
"Homework Help is the most beneficial aspect of the program. It helps me with reading comprehension and to practice with simple phonics tests ".

–North Main student

Positive Behavioral Outcomes

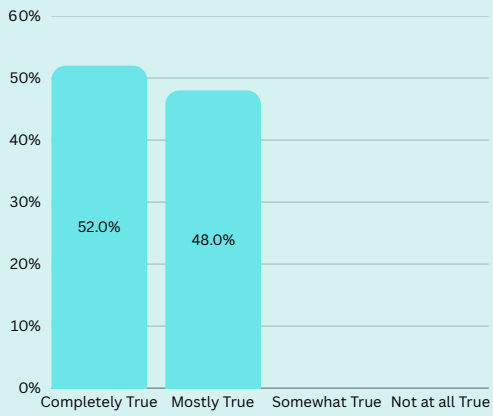
Students were asked to respond to how true statements were to them - "I work well with others on group projects".

- Complete True- 52%
- Mostly True- 44%
- Somewhat True- 4%
- Not at all True- 0%



"This program has helped me find out what I like to do".

- Complete True- 52%
- Mostly True- 48%
- Somewhat True- 0%
- Not at all True- 0%



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SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

South Main Street School

Serves students in grades three through five. The site's focus is on increasing youths' ability to work together, communicate effectively and support each other while helping students to become more independent, responsible and confident.

Students' Favorite Activities:

- **Homework Help**
- **Gym**
- **Outdoor Enrichment**
- **Great Garden Detectives**
- **Life Skills**

<u>Outdoor Enrichment</u>

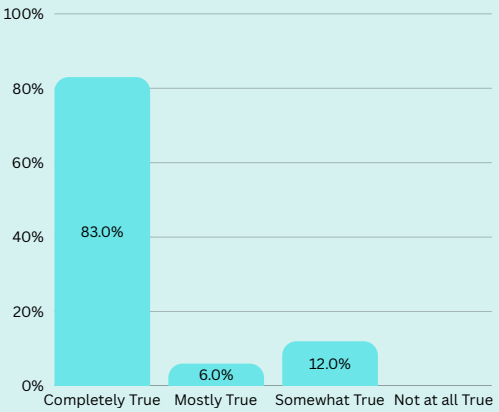
"Going outside clears my mind. It helps me listen better and avoid bad behaviors".

– South Main student

Positive Behavioral Outcomes

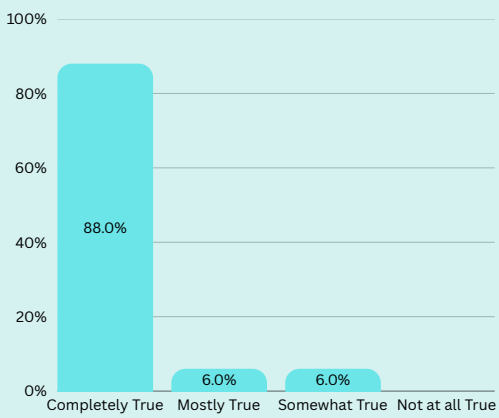
Students were asked to respond to how true statements were to them - "In this program, there is an adult who I enjoy being around".

- Complete True- 83%
- Mostly True- 6%
- Somewhat True- 12%
- Not at all True- 0%



"Getting good grades is one of my main goals".

- Complete True- 88%
- Mostly True- 6%
- Somewhat True- 6%
- Not at all True- 0%



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Washington Avenue School

Serves students in grades three through five. Students here value the time they spend with teachers to receive homework help. Youth are enthusiastic, active, and eager to participate in both recreational and creative activities.

Students' Favorite Activities:

- Homework Help
- Soccer
- Physical Enrichment
- Art
- Bracelet and necklace making
- Chess

Physical Enrichment

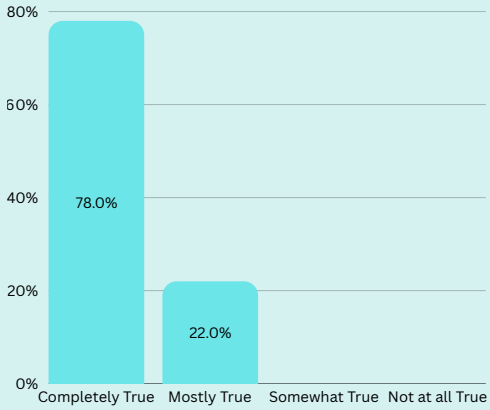
"The students here are very active, with many of them frequently choosing to go outside and play ".

– Washington Avenue staff member

Positive Behavioral Outcomes

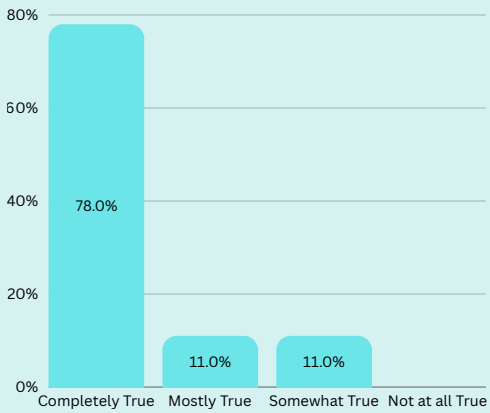
Students were asked to respond to how true statements were to them - "I can do a good job if I try hard enough".

- Complete True- 78%
- Mostly True- 22%
- Somewhat True- 0%
- Not at all True- 0%



"I can stop myself from doing something I know I shouldn't do".

- Complete True- 78%
- Mostly True- 11%
- Somewhat True- 11%
- Not at all True- 0%



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Middle School

Serves students in grades six through eight. The site's strengths are giving students freedom of choice through physical enrichment, gym activities and team building initiatives for stronger relationship skills and peer bonding.

Students' Favorite Activities:

- Gym
- Art
- E-Sports/Game Room
- Cultural Art Projects
- Technology
- Homework Help

E-Sports

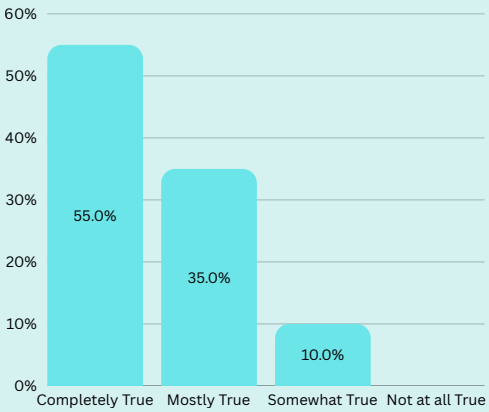
"In our E-Sports Program, C.A.R.E. students learn the importance of teamwork and problem solving through gaming ".

– Middle School staff member

Positive Behavioral Outcomes

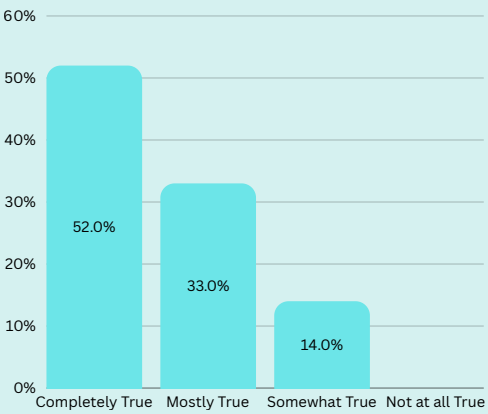
Students were asked to respond to how true statements were to them - "This program has helped me to think about things I might like to do when I get older".

- Complete True- 55%
- Mostly True- 35%
- Somewhat True- 10%
- Not at all True- 0%



"I am a hard worker when it comes to my school assignments".

- Complete True- 52%
- Mostly True- 33%
- Somewhat True- 14%
- Not at all True- 0%



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