



OUT OF SCHOOL TIME | SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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OST Department

What We Do



Out of School Time

MISSION:

To support the academic, social, and emotional development of SPS PK–12 students through equitable access to high-quality OST programs.

WHAT WE DO:

The SPS OST Department oversees the procurement, coordination, and collaboration of all OST programs within SPS schools and ensures that they meet the district's quality standards and expectations and meets the needs of the community at large.

GOALS

Increase
access

Ensure
sustainability

Equitable
opportunity



OST Menu

PROGRAM

 **Summer Programs**

 **Full-Time Afterschool Care**

 **OST Enrichment**

 **Middle & High School
Programming**

DETAILS

Seasonal programming offered during the summer

Community Schools, Apollo, and El Sistema

Clubs: One day per week
Programs: More than one day per week

Contracted partner programming for middle and high school students



Increased availability of space for

18

partner programs

SY 26-27 Highlights and Growth

459

students enrolled in OST Clubs compared
to **291** last year

More equitable options across

11 schools

Communication and Recruitment Improvements

Digital Catalog and Timeline distribution at August
Back to School Event

Workforce

New Partner and Program
Coordinator Position in OST

Increased
Programming

Opportunities
Middle School

90%
waitlist decrease

Expanded the **Arbiter** digital
registration system to include more
programs

44

Youth Employment Opportunities



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Partner Programs



Middle School Programming

Boston Debate League

Brown, Kennedy, East and SHS; 75 students

The Calculus Project

District-wide Grades 6-8, 47 students

Robotics

District-wide Grades 6-8, students

Soccer Without Borders

Winter Hill, Grades 6-8, boys and girls, 30 students

Farrington Nature Linc

Winter Hill and East, Grades 6-8, 30 students

College and Career Readiness Program

Housed at East and West, Grades 6-8, district wide, anticipated 45 students



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Enrichment Clubs



K-8 OST Enrichment Clubs

Expansion of clubs with more equitable distribution across schools and grade levels

STEM



Strategy, Problem Solving, and Communication



Foreign Language

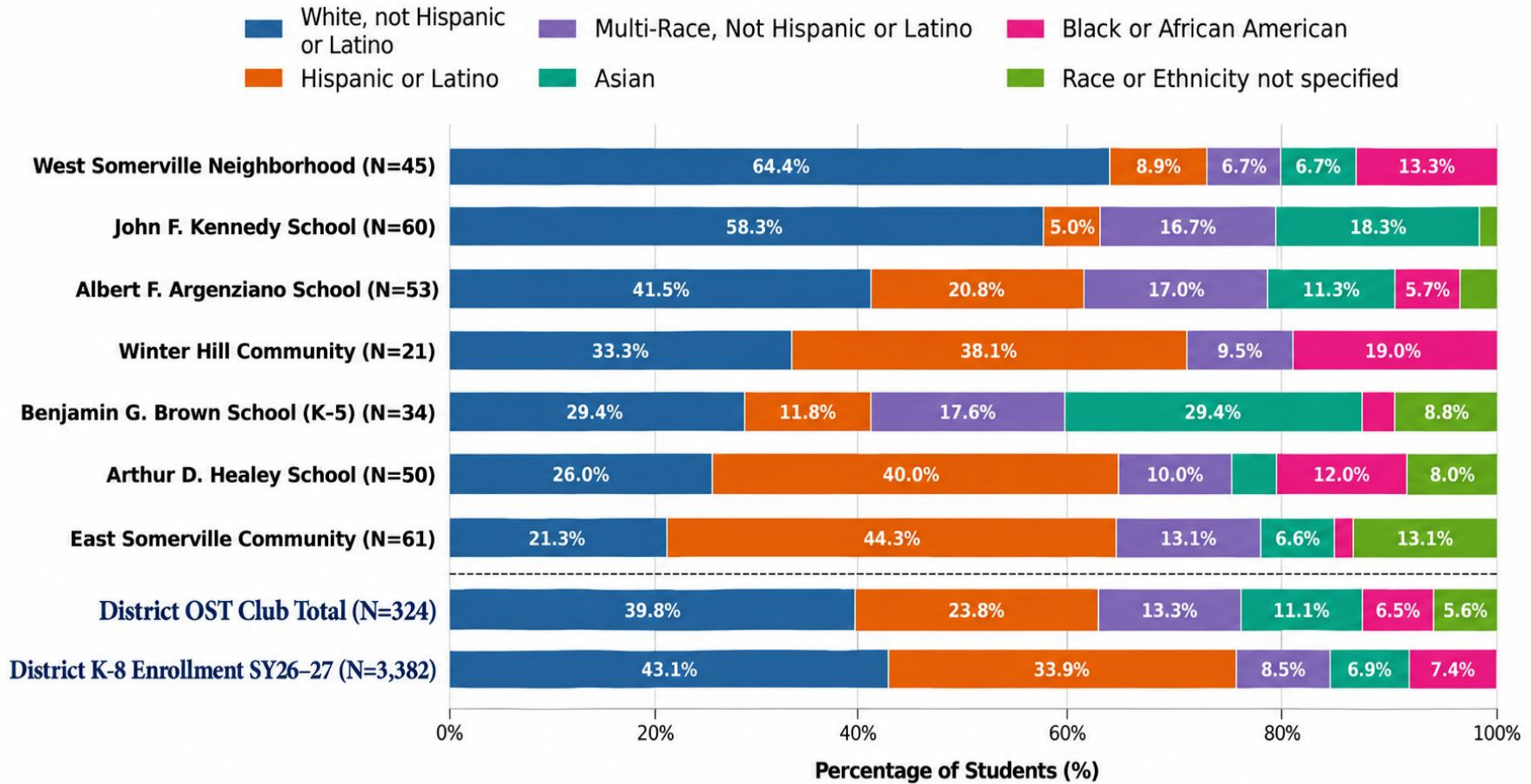


Art & Music



K-8 OST Enrichment Clubs

Fall 2026 Session 1 Race and Ethnicity Demographics



Sources: Fall 2026 OST club registrations and SY 2026-2027 district K-8 enrollment data.



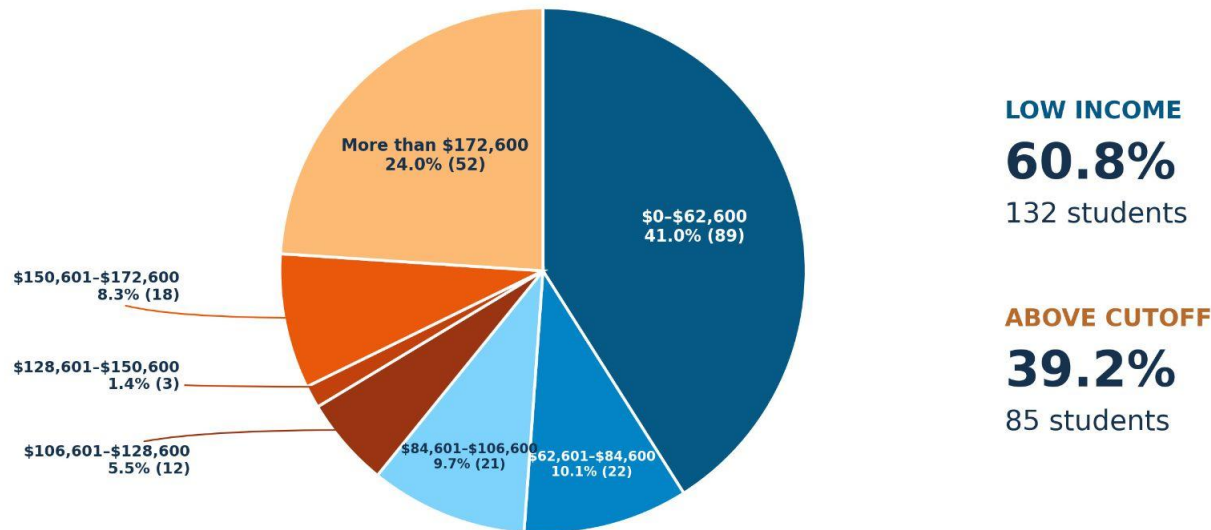
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K-8 OST Enrichment Clubs

Fall 2026 Session 1 Family Income Demographics

Family Income Distribution

Fall 2026 OST Club Participants 217 Registrations Reporting Income



Low-income cutoff: \$106,600 per year

Each student counted once. 107 students without income responses excluded.

Bands through \$106,600 are included as low income; exact-cutoff income cannot be distinguished.



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Community Schools Program

Community Schools Enrollment and Waiting List

School	Student Enrollment SY 25-26	Student Enrollment SY 26-27	Waiting List SY 25-26	Waiting List SY 26-27
AFAS/Apollo*	136/24*	149/17*	10	10
Brown	131	143	1	7
Capuano	88	76	0	0
ESCS/ El Sistema*	164/75*	164/86*	2	17
Healey	77	74	0	3
Kennedy/Apollo*	144/18*	148/22*	1	6
WSNS	129	143	0	1
Winter Hill	71	77	0	1
Total	940/117*	974/125*	14	45**

*Apollo and El Sistema Enrollment

** Waitlist numbers since August 27 collected after March registration period, this allows us to keep track of childcare needs and place more families

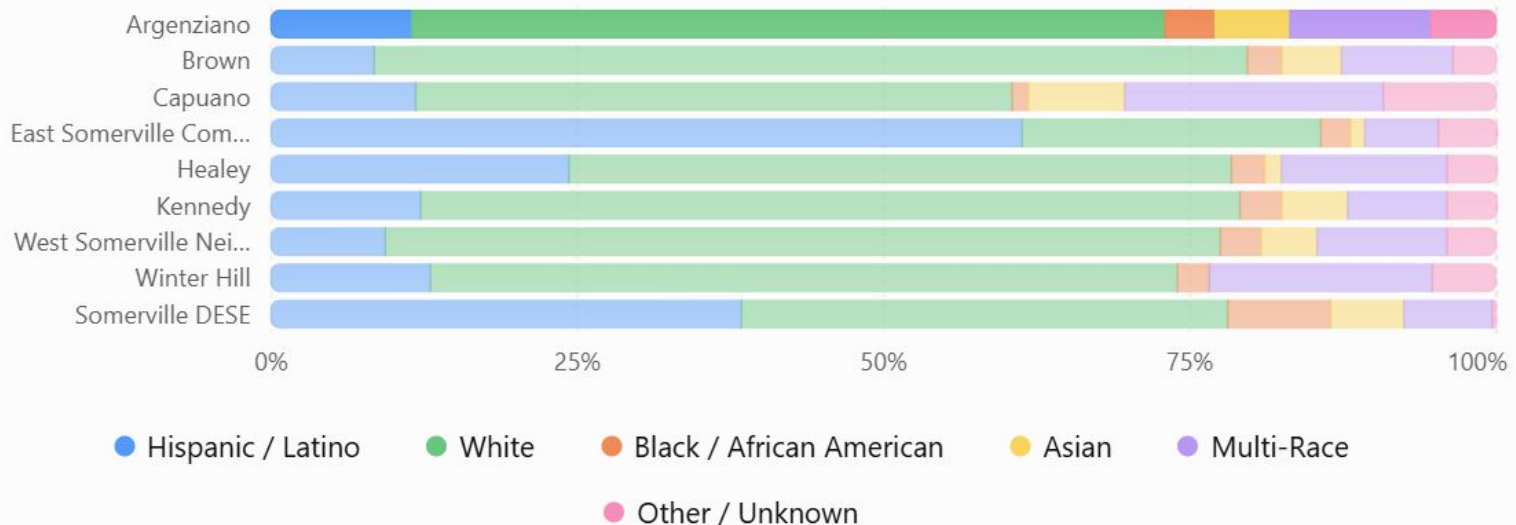


Demographics SY26-27

Ethnicity/Race Compared to District DESE Data by School

Community Schools Race/Ethnicity by School vs. Somerville DESE

Each bar shows the race/ethnicity composition of children at each Community Schools site, compared with the Somerville DESE district profile.



Community Schools: 985 children across 8 sites. Somerville DESE: 2025–26 district enrollment. Hispanic/Latino is treated as the primary ethnicity, consistent with DESE-style mutually exclusive categories.



Demographics SY26-27

SPS/OST Sliding Scale

Fee Level	Family of 2	Family of 3	Family of 4	Family of 5	Family of 6	Family of 7	Weekly Fee
1	\$0 - \$29110	\$0 - \$32749	\$0 - \$36388	\$0 - \$39299	\$0 - \$42210	\$0 - \$45121	\$5.00
2	\$29,111-\$43666	\$32,750-\$49124	\$36,389-\$54582	\$39,299-\$58949	\$42,211-\$63315	\$45,122-\$67682	\$10.00
3	\$43,667-\$58221	\$49,125-\$65498	\$54,583-\$72776	\$58,950-\$78598	\$63,316-\$84420	\$67,683-\$90242	\$15.00
4	\$58,222-\$65,498	\$65,499-\$73,686	\$72,777-\$81,873	\$78,599-\$88,423	\$84,421-\$94,973	\$90,243-\$101,523	\$25.00
5	\$65,499-\$72,776	\$73,687-\$81,873	\$81,874-\$90,970	\$88,424-\$98,248	\$94,974-\$105,525	\$101,524-\$112,803	\$35.00
6	\$72,777-\$80,054	\$81,874-\$90,060	\$90,971-\$100,067	\$98,249-\$108,072	\$105,526-\$116,078	\$112,803-\$124,083	\$45.00
7	\$80,055-\$87,331	\$90,061-\$98,248	\$100,068-\$109,164	\$108,073-\$117,897	\$116,079-\$126,630	\$124,084-\$135,364	\$60.00
8	\$87,332-\$94,609	\$98,249-\$106,435	\$109,165-\$118,261	\$117,897-\$127,722	\$126,631-\$137,183	\$135,365-\$146,644	\$75.00
9	\$94,610-\$101,886	\$106,436-\$114,622	\$118,262-\$127,358	\$127,723-\$137,547	\$137,184-\$147,735	\$146,645-\$157,924	\$90.00
10	\$101,887-\$109,164	\$114,623-\$122,810	\$127,359-\$136,455	\$137,548-\$147,371	\$147,736-\$158,288	\$157,925-\$169,205	\$105.00
11	\$109,165-\$116,442	\$122,811-\$130,997	\$136,456-\$145,552	\$147,371-\$157,196	\$158,289-\$168,840	\$169,206-\$180,485	\$130.00
12	\$116,443-\$123,719	\$130,998-\$139,184	\$145,553-\$154,649	\$157,197-\$167,021	\$168,841-\$179,393	\$180,486-\$191,765	\$145.00
13	\$123,720-\$130,997	\$139,185-\$147,371	\$154,650-\$163,746	\$167,022-\$176,846	\$179,394-\$189,945	\$191,766-\$203,045	\$160.00
							\$169.00

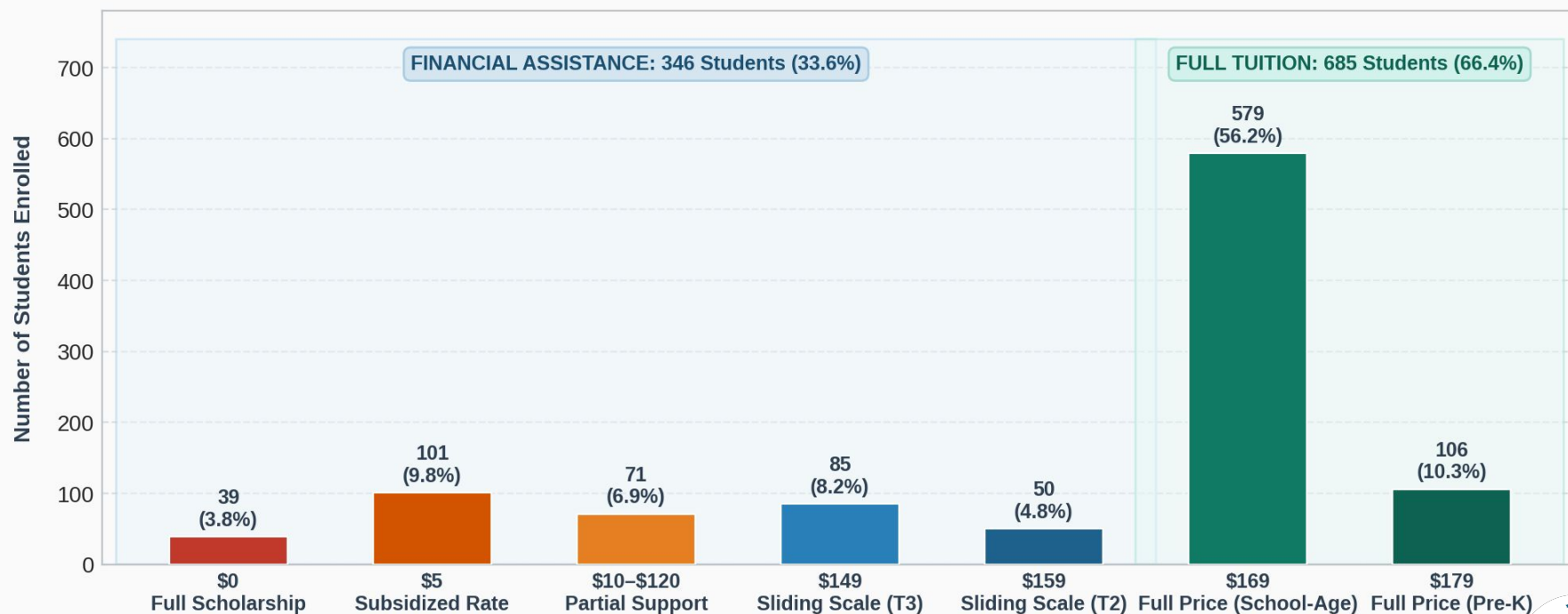


Demographics SY26-27

SPS/OST Sliding Scale: Distribution of Weekly Tuition Fees

Distribution of Weekly Tuition Fees by Documented Fee Amounts

SY 2026–2027 Community Schools Afterschool Program | Total Enrollment: 1,031 Students



Source: Community Schools SY 26–27 Tuition Financial Report | Note: \$169 is full price for School-Age; \$179 is full price for Pre-K.



Where We Are Now

Enrollment

SY26-27	974
25-26	940
24-25	872
23-24	768
22-23	706

Staffing

SY26-27	117
25-26	125
24-25	130
23-24	114
22-23	112

Salaries

SY26-27	4,712,485
25-26	4,461,038
24-25	4,057,419
23-24	3,338,183
22-23	2,733,961

Financial Assistance

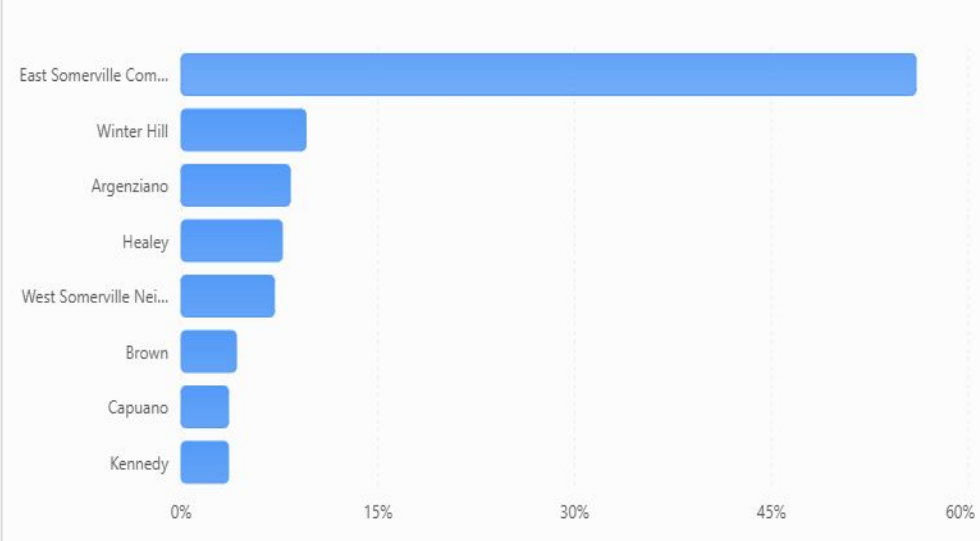
SY26-27	346
25-26	216
24-25	181
23-24	138
22-23	120

Sustainability

FY27 Financial Aid by School

Students Paying Less Than \$149 by Community School

Each school's share of the 168 combined school-level student counts.



FY27 Tuition Collection

School	Total Tuition Due	Average per student	Annually
	413.00	59.00	\$14,868.00
Argenziano	24,773.65	149.24	\$891,851.40
Brown	22,865.73	158.79	\$823,166.28
Capuano	12,848.00	158.62	\$462,528.00
East Somerville Community School	10,011.52	57.54	\$360,414.72
Healey	10,378.97	138.39	\$373,642.92
Kennedy	27,635.00	162.56	\$994,860.00
West Somerville Neighborhood School	22,440.90	155.84	\$807,872.40
Winter Hill	9,724.00	127.95	\$350,064.00
*Grand Total	141,090.77	136.06	\$5,079,267.72

Sustainability

Community Schools Revolving		FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27-present
	PRIOR FY CARRY FORWARD BALANCE	\$1,546,547	\$1,129,987	\$508,174	\$1,105,440
	437014 SCHOOL DEPT REVENUE	\$3,287,320	\$3,698,380	\$4,907,534	\$670,370
	468108 COMM OF MASS REIMB	\$84,890	\$131,681	\$130,474	45,942
	031599 TOTAL REVENUE	\$4,833,867	\$4,960,048	\$5,546,182	1,821,752
	579900 REFUND TO CUSTOMER	0	0	0	0
	511101 SCHOOL PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	\$3,338,184	\$4,057,420	\$4,082,463	\$1,027,222
	527100 SCHOOL LEASE/RENT EQUIP	\$4,682	\$1,016	\$3,239	\$1,082
	530100 SCHOOL PROF & TECH SERV	\$407,272	\$380,877	\$344,426	\$76,105
	551100 EDUCATIONAL SUPPLIES	\$30,130	\$22,564	\$10,267	\$1,293
	571100 SCHOOL TRAVEL IN STATE	0	0	0	
	Revenue Total	\$3,373,710	\$3,830,062	\$5,038,008	\$716,312
	Expense Total	\$3,780,268	\$4,461,875	\$4,440,742	\$324,235
	Current Balance	\$1,139,987	\$508,174	\$1,105,440	\$716,047

- Equitable placement of contracted providers
- Apollo moved from OST to CS revolving causing increase in prof and tech services
- Continue to implement a minimal increase across after school rates yearly

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OST Steering Committee

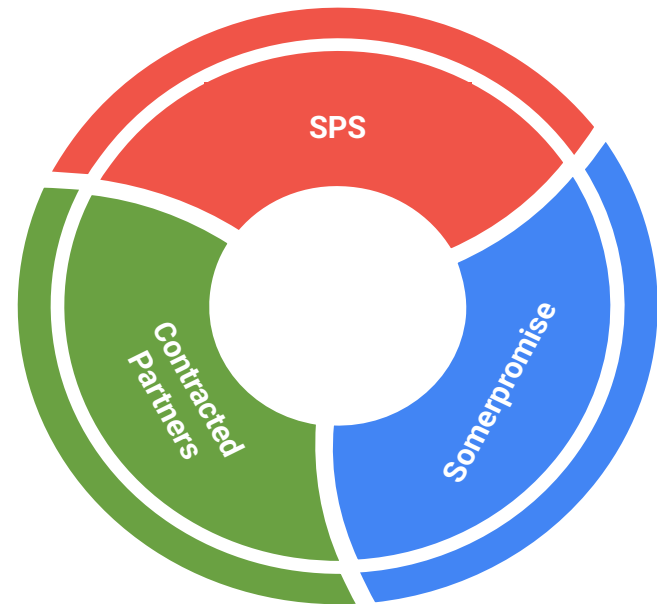
What We Are

THE OST Steering Committee

Promotes city-school cooperation and engages in collaborative planning with the primary goal of increasing equitable access to quality OST programming for Somerville Youth, and to strengthen collaboration and alignment.

WHO WE ARE

- Somerpromise Out of School Time Community Coordinator
- Somerpromise Director
- SPS SFLC Director
- SPS Out of School Time Director
- SPS Out of School Time Assistant Director



Work of the OST Steering Committee

- 1. Understand the Community-Wide Need for and Barriers to Accessing OST**
 - Surveys
 - Convened partner programs
 - Convened internal SPS stakeholders
 - Assessed financial aid process
 - Increased CS capacity
- 2. District-wide systems development**
 - Standardized procurement process
 - Arbiter sports as single point of entry
 - Aligned reporting mechanisms
 - Aligned Health and Safety protocols
 - Handbook of policies and procedures (in development)
 - Piloted shared use of school for OST Community Providers (YMCA at SHS)
- 3. Develop shared quality standards with School, City, and Community Providers**
 - Implemented Universal and Quality Assurance tool - APT-O
 - Arbiter for monitoring provider credentials (in development)
 - Established regular feedback loops with providers
 - OST PDs and Trainings
- 4. Identify sustainable and diverse Financial Strategies**





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