



# ANNUAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2022 – JUNE 30, 2023



## OUR MISSION

Our mission is to enrich the education of students by exposing them to a broad variety of experiences that expand their horizons, create awareness of career pathways, and strengthen connections among students, school, and community.

## OUR PROMISE

The Community School Collaborative promises to provide students real-world career exploration and enrichment experiences that launch them on the pathway to a successful and fulfilling education, career, and life.



## Celebrating 5 Years of Transformation!

It is with gratitude and excitement that we share the remarkable journey of the Community School Collaborative (CSC) as we mark our 5th year of programming. The collective efforts of our community members have paved the way for incredible achievements and set the stage for ambitious goals in the future.

Over the past year, we have witnessed tremendous growth and accomplishment. Let us celebrate together the achievements of the 2022-23 school year:

- Every student at Sleeping Giant Middle School (SGMS) participated in two Cougar Career Days (CCD). From workshops at PFL to a mock crime scene investigation with the Park County Sheriff's Department, our students embarked on a journey of exploration and possibility.
- We introduced four Cougar Pop Up Clubs, elective workshops in smaller group settings. With the expert guidance of our community leaders, our students delved deeper into careers in which they were specifically interested.

Looking ahead to the 2023-24 school year, we are thrilled to share with you our exciting plans:

- Our staff has doubled! In addition to Gina Morrison, our esteemed CEO who brings her expertise and passion to expanding work-based learning opportunities in Park County, we warmly welcome Jess Haas, our new COO, whose expertise and dedication will greatly contribute to the operations and administrative side of CSC.
- Integrating Naviance, a widely recognized career exploration program, into our programming will empower our students with even more avenues for career exploration and discovery.

Collectively, our community is transforming the landscape of education and creating a brighter future for every student we serve. Your time, expertise, and financial contributions have propelled us forward, allowing career exploration programs to make a lasting difference in the lives of students.

With immense gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Yvonne Brutger".

**Yvonne Brutger**, *President, Board of Directors*

# CSC BY THE NUMBERS...

6

COUGAR CAREER DAYS

4

POP-UP CLUBS

307

SGMS STUDENTS  
ENGAGING WITH  
THEIR LOCAL  
COMMUNITY

1

BRAND NEW  
PRE-APPRENTICESHIP  
PROGRAM

4,305

STUDENT HOURS  
SPENT EXPLORING  
FUTURE CAREER  
OPTIONS

2

CSC  
STAFF

63

COMMUNITY  
BUSINESSES  
AND  
ORGANIZATIONS  
SHARING  
THEIR  
KNOWLEDGE

1,075

VOLUNTEER HOURS SPENT MENTORING  
YOUTH IN CAREER EXPLORATION



# COUGAR CAREER DAYS:



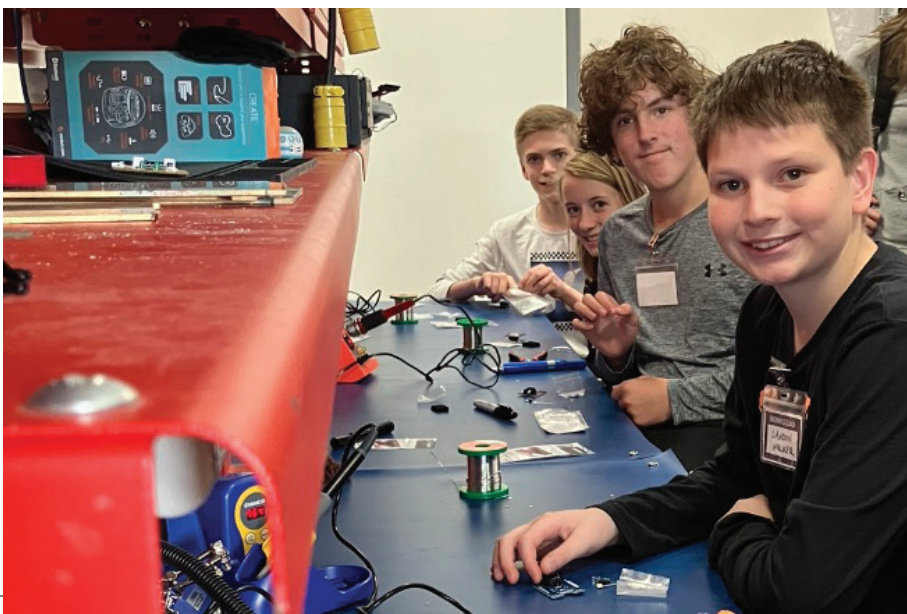
## 6TH GRADE COUGAR CAREER DAY: DISCOVER DOWNTOWN LIVINGSTON

Students “Discovered Downtown Livingston” by visiting eight different businesses and nonprofits located there. At each business they participated in mini workshops and were introduced to a variety of careers, including that of a banker, writer, baker, retail business owner, personal trainer and restaurant owner.



## 7TH GRADE COUGAR CAREER DAY: ART IN ACTION

Students visited Montana State University where they engaged in interactive activities at the Schools of Arts, Architecture, Film and Photography, all under the guidance of MSU faculty and staff. The students also experienced live theater, viewing an exclusive performance of Macbeth by Montana Shakespeare in the Schools in the MSU Black Box Theater.



## 8TH GRADE COUGAR CAREER DAY: SCIENCE AT WORK

Students explored careers in the sciences and STEM at the Montana Science Center and the Museum of the Rockies. During workshops, they engaged in interactive science activities in photonics, anatomy and physiology, paleontology, living history, optics and nanotechnology. Lunch was served at the Gallatin Valley College Culinary School, adding one more career exposure.

# HOW ARE STUDENTS EXPLORING CAREER PATHWAYS?

## 6TH GRADE COUGAR CAREER DAY: WINTER SNOW FESTIVAL

At the Park County Fairgrounds students explored snow science and related careers. They learned the importance of snowpack surveys, discovered jobs available at Bridger Bowl, watched search and rescue dogs at work and learned how to treat wounds, sprains and fractures in the back country. It can't be all work and no play - they also got skate on the Livingston Ice Rink and enjoy some hot chocolate.



## 7TH GRADE COUGAR CAREER DAY: ACROSS THE SPECTRUM WITH PFL

Students were exposed to the printing and manufacturing industry by visiting one of Livingston's largest employers, Printing For Less. Just a few of the activities they participated in were "Shark Tank" type sales and marketing scenarios, packaging PFL "Swag" for customers, graphic design and viewing the offset and laser printers in action.



## 8TH GRADE COUGAR CAREER DAY: LAW AND ORDER DAY

Students gained a new perspective of Park County's government and judicial system during this day at the Livingston City/County Complex. They interacted with lawyers, search and rescue, public health, county commissioners, police, sheriff deputies, highway patrol and canine officers. Highlights were participating in a mock County Commissioner's Meeting and investigating a mock crime scene.



# NEW CSC PROGRAMS

## PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

In partnership with Dan Bailey's Outdoor Co, CSC offered a Pre-apprenticeship Program to students at SGMS. Students gained hands-on experience in pivotal areas such as inventory management, efficient stocking practices, and the art of persuasive selling.

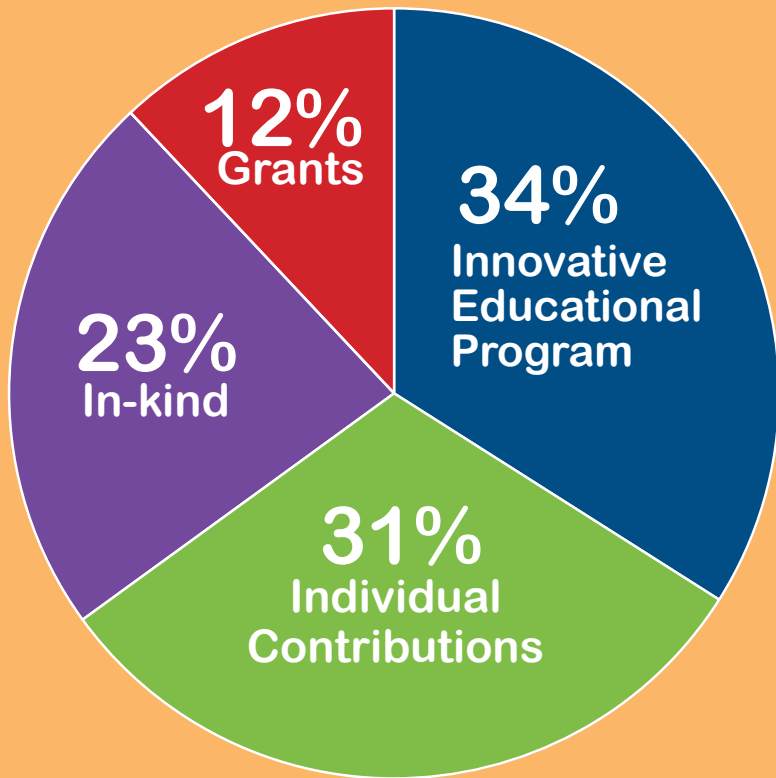


## POP-UP CLUBS

From frosting cookies alongside seasoned pastry chefs to engaging with cutting-edge photonics exhibits, small group settings have allowed for personalized interactions with experts, enabling students to glean insights, ask questions, and build connections that will undoubtedly shape their career paths.

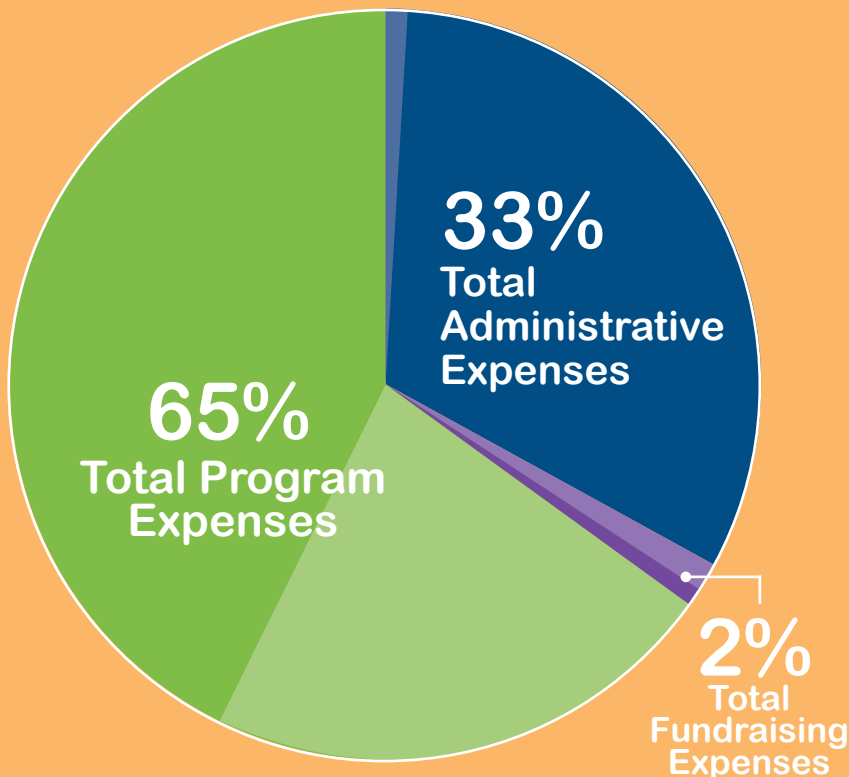
# Revenue

\$170,066



# Expenses

\$145,296



(The lighter color in each category represents the percentage of expenses offset by In Kind donations of time and services.)



\*The Livingston School District supported the Cougar Career Day Program this year with in-kind donations of teacher and staff time, facilities, printing, and administrative assistance.

\*\*The Innovative Educational Program tax credit provided support for CSC and is funded by donations from community members to the Livingston School District. These donations are eligible for a 100% tax credit. Contact us if you are interested in participating in this program.

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**Jess Haas, Chief Operating Officer**

