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the guide that answers all of the questions you want to ask about Seed of Health, Inc.

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THE PROGRAMS OF SEEDS OF HEALTH, INC.



ABOUT US

SEEDS OF HEALTH, INC.

Seeds of Health, Inc. was incorporated in 1983 designed to address the health and educational needs of Milwaukee-area women, adolescents and children. The programs operating under the Seeds of Health, Inc. umbrella include a Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program and four schools, one K4 through 8 elementary school and three high schools, each with a distinct mission.

Since opening its first school in 1988 serving 25 students, Seeds of Health, Inc. has progressively expanded its educational services. Seeds of Health currently serves approximately 1,300 students and has the only K-12 charter school

system in the State of Wisconsin. Seeds of Health, Inc. operates its schools through partnership and charter agreements with the Milwaukee Public Schools and the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and the WIC Program through the Department of Health and Family Services.

MISSION

The Seeds of Health, Inc. mission is to address the health and educational needs of Milwaukee-area women, adolescents, and children by providing nutritional counseling and focused educational programs to urban populations.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

Seeds of Health's educational programs have received numerous awards throughout the 35 years of operation.

A MESSAGE FROM MARCIA SPECTOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Since 1987, Seeds of Health has implemented quality programs that provide the best possible opportunities for children to thrive physically, emotionally, socially and educationally. Our Women's, Infants and Children (WIC) Program helps provide infants and pre-school children with a healthy start. Our four individual and unique education programs serve a broad range of student needs—from the at-risk to the college bound.

A strong administrative team, an involved board of directors, detailed accountability goals, and strong fiscal management throughout the agency contributes to our success and is a testament to our longevity.

Focusing on the opportunities and challenges of the future, Seeds of Health will continue to be Milwaukee's innovative "home grown" answer to imaginative, collaborative, and cutting-edge education options. We look forward to fulfilling our mission with the same dedication, determination and accountability that has made Seeds of Health a leader in creating educational environments that support diverse urban populations.

Marcia J. Spector

OUR HISTORY

Seeds of Health, Inc. was incorporated in 1983 as a 501(c)(3) non-stock corporation designed to address the health and educational needs of Milwaukee-area women, adolescents and children. The programs operating under the Seeds of Health, Inc. umbrella include a Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program and five schools, one K4-8 elementary school and four high schools, each with a distinct mission. Seeds of Health, Inc. operates its schools through partnership and charter agreements with Milwaukee Public Schools and the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and the WIC Program through the Department of Health and Family Services. Seeds of Health is governed by a ten member volunteer board of directors and currently employs 145 staff members.



HOW DID WE GET INTO THE SCHOOL BUSINESS?

Beginning in 1983 under its WIC program, Seeds of Health has worked to promote and maintain the health and well-being of high risk pregnant women including school-age parents. In serving these girls, we found that many of them dropped out of school or were intending to withdraw from school. In seeing this need, we submitted a proposal to MPS under the children-at-risk statute and were successful in obtaining a contract to open a school for 25 school-age parents.

Because of our commitment to meeting the needs of urban children over the past 35 years, Seeds of Health opened five additional schools to meet the diverse needs of the children of Milwaukee. These choices provide urban children with educational opportunities in small, creative environments based on strong and positive relationships. From a small beginning of 25 students, Seeds of Health has grown to provide educational services to approximately 1,300 students in the only K-12 charter school system in the State of Wisconsin.

MORE ABOUT US

OUR PROGRAMS

The WIC Program helps approximately 2,500 clients at up to 185% poverty including pregnant women, new mothers and young children up to age five eat well, learn about nutrition, and stay healthy.

Grandview High School was established in 1987 as an alternative high school under the children at-risk statute. Grandview is in a partnership agreement with Milwaukee Public Schools and currently serves 200 at-risk students in grades 9-12.

Seeds of Health Elementary was established in 1996 and serves 365 students in grades K4 through 8. Seeds of Health Elementary is authorized by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee as a 2r charter school.

Veritas High School was established in 2001 as a college preparatory high school and serves 252 students in grades 9-12. Veritas High School is authorized by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee as a 2r charter school.

Tenor High School is a 2r charter school chartered through the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and serves 490 students across two campuses. Established in 2005, and expanded in 2021, Tenor provides students with an opportunity to complete four years of high school in three years and receive one free year of college education at Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC) in their 4th year.

HIGHLIGHTS

Our WIC Program continues to be recognized by the Department of Health and Family Services as a model program with exceptional outcomes related to reducing infant mortality and promoting healthier lifestyles for its participants resulting in healthy babies and children.

Our 2r charter schools have been designated high performing schools as defined by attendance, graduation rate, state standardized test results, and growth in Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessment, and meet expectations on the Wisconsin State Report Card.

We consistently exceed Milwaukee Public School's test scores and exceeds or meets state scores in tested areas.

We have consistent student growth on the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP), and tests scores regularly meet the national norms.

Our graduation rate consistently exceeds 95%

2r charter schools continue to earn five year charter contract renewals from the University of Wisconsin Board of Regents.

Regular renewal of the at-risk contract with Milwaukee Public Schools.



THE SUCCESS OF SEEDS OF HEALTH, INC.

The success of Seeds of Health, Inc. is highlighted by the following:

Over 35 years' experience managing a successful nonprofit agency.

A demonstrated disposition to proactively improve educational opportunities for urban children.

A coordinated K-12 system administration structure that is experienced in managing multiple school sites and programs.

Over 30 years of experience in progressively developing effective and sustainable educational programs that are validated by ongoing external reviews, full enrollments, and wait list subscriptions.

An established record of responsible fiscal management recognized by continuous audits, compliance with contracts, and recommendations from chartering agents for five year contract renewals.

The Seeds of Health vision is to positively impact the growth and development of urban children. Over the past 35 years, Seeds of Health, Inc. has acted on that vision through the successful implementation of quality, focused programs that provide the best possible opportunities for children to thrive physically, emotionally, socially and educationally. Through innovative programs, vigorous accountability standards, and detailed fiscal management, Seeds of Health will continue to meet the needs of our community.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Edgar Alvarez
Tenor High School
Class of 2018

According to Todd Smith, Project Lead the Way (PLTW) teacher at Tenor, Edgar was among the most outstanding students Todd Smith has taught. He won the respect of his instructors and classmates in technical programs at MATC. After graduating from Tenor, Edgar stayed at MATC to complete an associate degree in Civil Engineering Technology. He applied for jobs related to computer drafting, and got in touch with Todd when he was invited for a "working interview." Todd invited him to come to Tenor for a "refresher" on the AutoCAD and related skills he had learned in PLTW classes. This strategy worked well! Edgar got the job and is now employed by Pierce Engineers.





SEEDS OF HEALTH ELEMENTARY

Seeds of Health Elementary is a public tuition-free charter school authorized through the University of Wisconsin- Milwaukee. Serving students in grades K4-8, Seeds of Health Elementary focuses on well-rounded instruction in reading, math, language arts, science, social studies, physical education and art, preparing students for lifelong learning.


Mission


The Seeds of Health Elementary mission is to work in partnership with families and community to prepare students with foundational knowledge, skills, and character that will support success in secondary and post-secondary education and adult life.



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After-school program

Seeds of Health Elementary provides an after-school program in partnership with Right at School

Safe and supportive environment

We follow all COVID-19 safety measures

Seeds of Health Elementary partners with Wellpoint Care Network to provide on-site mental health services to students



Education in a digital world

Every child has a Chromebook

Programs and extra-curricular activities



Big Brothers Big Sisters mental health and mentoring program for 3rd & 4th graders
Additional literacy support for students
Girls on the Run
Tae Kwon Do



Transition to High School

Seeds of Health Elementary students have the option to transition to one of Seeds of Health's award winning high schools

TENOR or **VERITAS**
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WELL-ROUNDED INSTRUCTION



SMALL SCHOOL AND CLASS SIZES





GRANDVIEW HIGH SCHOOL

Grandview High School serves students "at-risk" of not completing high school or are experiencing difficulty in a traditional high school setting. With an MPS diploma, Grandview's goal is to help our students either enter the workforce immediately or go on to pursue post-secondary education.

Mission

The Grandview High School mission is to help young adults become academically, emotionally and socially prepared for productive participation in the 21st century.

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MPS Diploma

With an MPS diploma, Grandview's goal is to help our students either enter the workforce immediately or go on to pursue post-secondary education.

Safe and Supportive Environment

Grandview is a safe, supportive and respectful environment where learning is the focus and success is the result.

School to Work Partnerships

Through a variety of school to work partnerships, students have the ability to explore different careers through apprenticeships, job shadowing, and field trips, particularly in the trades.

Additionally, Grandview partners with MPS to connect students with local employers looking to hire students in a variety of different job opportunities.

These partnerships will improve a student's success in post-high school opportunities. Partnerships options continue to expand each year, providing our students with many quality choices.

Extra Curricular Activities

School to Work Partnerships
PCW Certification
Local 420 Trades Exploration
Student Council
Spirit Week
Awards Ceremonies
Fieldtrips
Yearbook Club
Art Club

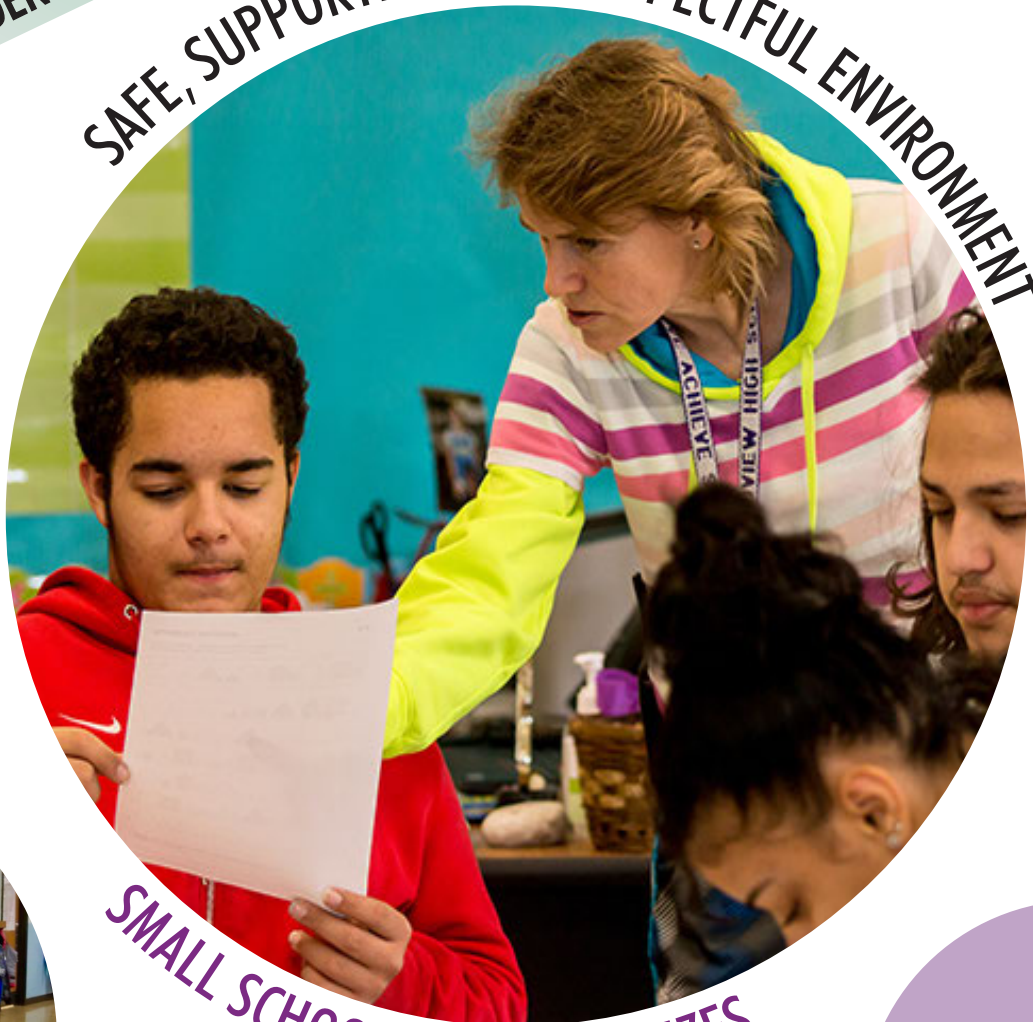


Through Grandview's partnership with Myshock, a family-owned, neighborhood tool and die shop, Grandview student Noel Yopez was hired and Myshock is helping to fund his MATC education. Noel is a 2022 graduate who was Grandview's first student to launch this new partnership. Because Noel had only a few classes a day, he was the ideal candidate for the 3 hour-a-day internship. Noel attended his classes at Grandview every morning then went to Myshock in the afternoon to learn more about the job and skills needed. He received hands-on training and mentoring with the option to be hired as an employee at the end of his internship. Both parties agreed that this was a good match and Noel was hired. He continues to work at Myshock while also attending MATC to learn more skills required for this career.

Noel Yopez
Grandview High School
Class of 2022

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

SAFE, SUPPORTIVE, AND RESPECTFUL ENVIRONMENT



SMALL SCHOOL AND CLASS SIZES





TENOR HIGH SCHOOL

Tenor High School is Wisconsin's only dual-certification high school program which includes a free year of college at MATC. As a high-performing school, Tenor provides students with a comprehensive high school program including a rigorous curriculum, summer school classes, WIAA and club athletics, extra-curricular activities, and a full time school counselor and special education teacher. In addition, Tenor Journal Square Campus is a certified Project Lead the Way school. Tenor High School is tuition free.

Mission

The Tenor High School mission is to prepare Milwaukee students for successful entry to post-secondary education and career opportunities through the dual completion of a high school diploma and a Milwaukee Area Technical College program certificate or technical diploma, and/or credits in a post-secondary degree program.



Cathedral Square Campus

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Journal Square Campus

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School Highlights

- High standards and expectations
- High performing
- Individual college and career counseling
- WI certified and licensed teachers
- Full time school counselor and special education teacher
- Small school and class sizes
- On-site school-based therapist

Instructional Offerings

In addition to a comprehensive high school curriculum including math, science, social studies, and English language arts, Tenor High School offers:

- Computer Programming
- Pre-calculus (7 MATC credits)
- FabLab
- Introduction to Engineering and Design
- Principles of Engineering
- Civil Engineering and Architecture
- Writing Class, Reading Class
- Art/Graphic Arts
- Project Lead the Way Classes (Journal Square Campus is a PLTW certified school)

WIAA Sports

Tenor participates in Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) sports in cooperation with Tenor High School to offer these sports options:

- Girls Soccer
- Boys Soccer
- Girls Basketball
- Boys Basketball
- Girls Track & Field
- Boys Track & Field
- Girls Volleyball

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Clubs & Activities

Homework Club
Social Club in Partnership with Wellpoint
Care Network
Poetry Club
Book Club
Gay Straight Alliance (GSA)
Hiking Club
Service Club
Student Council
Art Club
Video Gaming
Prom
Yearbook
Media Club

DUAL-CERTIFICATION PROGRAM - FREE YEAR OF COLLEGE



Keyarra Stewart
Tenor High School
Class of 2021

Keyarra Stewart graduated from Tenor High School in 2021. While at MATC her senior year, Keyarra took classes in mechanical and computer drafting. Tenor's PLTW teacher, Todd Smith, stated that Keyarra was one of the most talented and hardest working students he has taught. Taking classes at MATC during the pandemic was difficult as she had to learn certain technical skills online that are that are usually taught in a "hands on" format. Keyarra showed outstanding talent, grit, and determination which allowed her to be a successful dual enrollment student. She returned to MATC to finish her technical diploma in May 2022 and is currently employed as a patent drafter at David Hendrickson & Associates.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



TENOR HIGH SCHOOL

THE TENOR HIGH SCHOOL MODEL AND THEIR PARTNERSHIP WITH MATC

The magic of Tenor High School lies in its “3+1” dual certification model—the only one of its kind in the state of Wisconsin—whereby students take three years of high school classes, then attend MATC at no cost for their fourth. Upon graduation, students can either leave with their certificate in a trade, ready for the workforce, continue their studies at MATC in pursuit of an associate degree, or transfer the credits earned at MATC to a four-year university. Whichever route students choose, they graduate from Tenor having completed a rigorous high school curriculum, with a year of invaluable college experience under their belt and a pathway to build their career. In alignment with our goal to help students develop a “future orientation” that empowers them to envision a life ahead that is free from poverty, Tenor’s model ensures they’re equipped to take the next steps toward careers that facilitate their financial stability as adults.

Tenor curriculum focuses on high expectations, excellent instruction, double math and English class requirements, and mandatory summer school. Tenor’s robust STEM Initiative features Project Lead The Way, hands-on learning in the Fab Lab, computer programming, and robotics and maker clubs.

But academic rigor is only part of the equation. A strong school culture based on emotional well-being and authentic relationships with each and every Tenor student ensures they feel valued and supported on their path. Students can participate in numerous clubs and extra-curricular activities including WIAA sports, art club, gaming club, yearbook, student council, book club, service club, debate club, robotics, PEARLS, cheerleading, ACE (Architecture, Construction, Engineering), media club and Esports.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Aneila Capetillo
Tenor High School
Class of 2021

As one of the 2021 recipients of the Dennis and Deborah Conta Tenor Scholarship, Aneila has continuing to study at MATC for the Real Estate Associate of Arts degree. Aneila has done awesome work, beginning this program during her senior year. Aneila earned 17 college credits and a GPA of 3.618 including classes: Principles of Real Estate, Real Estate Law, and MS Office for Business Applications and gen ed classes including 4-year college level Speech, English 1 and Spanish 1A. Aneila found that the field of real estate is challenging and exciting. She can't wait to keep going. We chose Aneila's classes to allow her to transfer credits to a 4-year college after completing her Associate Degree at MATC. Aneila works at Bath & Body Works at Bayshore Mall and is taking manager's training to continue working part time while going to college.

3 YEARS at TENOR

HIGH SCHOOL



1 FREE YEAR at

MATC



= SUCCESS

MATC



DENNIS AND DEBORAH CONTA TENOR SCHOLARSHIP FUND

As one of the driving influencers behind the creation of Tenor High School in 2005, Dennis Conta has been a beacon, a collaborator, and most of all a great friend to the entire Tenor High School community. Continuing with his deep commitment to the advancement of equitable education opportunities to Milwaukee students, Dennis and Deborah Conta have created the Dennis and Deborah Conta Tenor Scholarship Fund. The fund, established in 2020, provides financial support for students continuing their education at MATC in pursuit of



an Associate Degree. Students receiving these funds are selected based on financial need and academic merit. Funds may be used for any educational expenses.

We are grateful for the visionary leadership the Contas continue to provide. We thank them for their efforts to support Tenor High School and Seeds of Health to better the education of the students of Milwaukee.

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2022



VERITAS HIGH SCHOOL

Designated a high performing school, Veritas is committed to personalized learning, with small class sizes and high standards and expectations. Veritas has comprehensive high school programs including Advanced Placement classes, extra-curricular activities, WIAA and club athletics, and a full time school counselor and special education teacher. Teaching staff is WI certified and licensed, and continues to have a retention rate of over 90%. Veritas is tuition free.

Mission

The Veritas High School mission is to prepare students for postsecondary success and to be productive participants in their community through a rigorous and dynamic curriculum in a safe and supportive environment.



Serving students since 2001

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Elective Curriculum

AP Spanish	Creative Writing
AP Government	Journalism
AP Biology	Personal Finance
AP Psychology	Computer Science
AP Computer Science	Animation
AP Calculus	Graphic Arts
AP Literature	And many more!

Mentor2.0 Partnership

Mentor2.0 is a unique relationship-based program offered to Veritas in partnership with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metro Milwaukee. Each Veritas student is paired with a college educated professional from the Milwaukee area to provide one-to-one mentoring to students from their sophomore year through their first year in college. The program provides a weekly comprehensive college-focused, life skills curriculum and a monthly face-to-face interactive dinner event for students and their mentors.

WIAA Sports

Veritas participates in Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) sports in cooperation with Tenor High School to offer these sports options:

Girls Soccer	Boys Soccer
Girls Basketball	Boys Basketball
Girls Track & Field	Boys Track & Field
Girls Volleyball	





Ximena Sanchez
Veritas High School
Class of 2022

Ximena Sanchez, a 2022 Veritas High School graduate, was one of the 2022 valedictorians! Ximena will be attending UW-Madison in the fall of 2022 majoring in political science because as she wrote in her graduation speech, "Being a first-generation Mexican American, seeing the inequities of marginalized communities and what they have to go through, made me want to be in that field." She maintained a 4.0 grade point average all while balancing participation in school clubs, demanding course work, and a part-time job. Veritas teachers described Ximena as a very bright young woman with an inquisitive mind and a passion for social justice.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Clubs & Activities Offered

- Student Council
- Gaming Club
- Yearbook
- Homecoming & Prom
- Star Tutors Drama Club
- Travel Club Gay Straight Alliance (GSA)
- Engineering Club
- Sports Complex Day
- Young Men's Empowerment Group
- Social Club in Partnership with Wellpoint Care Network



SMALL SCHOOL AND CLASS SIZES





WOMEN, INFANTS, & CHILDREN

WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) has been managed by Seeds of Health, Inc. since 1983. Funded by the United States Department of Agriculture (U.S.D.A.), the WIC program helps promote and maintain the health and well-being of nutritionally at-risk pregnant, breastfeeding and postpartum women, infants and children.

Mission

The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) mission is to safeguard the health of low-income women, infants, and children up to age 5 who are at nutrition risk by providing nutritious foods to supplement diets, provide information on healthy eating, and make referrals to health care providers.

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How WIC serves its clients

Helps clients at up to 185% of the poverty guideline including pregnant women, new mothers, and young children up to age five to eat well, learn about nutrition, and stay healthy.

Aims to effectively help all clients develop their minds and bodies through one-on-one counseling and other interactive communications that center around nutrition.

Makes referrals to doctors, dentists, and programs like Food Stamps, Healthy Start, and Head Start.

WIC Provides:



Nutritious foods



Information about food and nutrition



Breastfeeding information and support



Nutrition assessments



Height and weight assessments



Iron screenings



Information about other community resources



PROVIDING NUTRITIONAL FOODS



FOR MOTHERS AND CHILDREN



WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP

VOLUNTEER

Donating your time and talents helps to enhance our programming and plays a significant role in our success. Seeing positive role models invest time in their success, motivates students to achieve goals and inspires them to believe they, too, can grow up to be successful, positive role model themselves. Volunteers can choose to participate on an ongoing basis as math tutors, elementary school readers, computer coding coaches or in a number of after-school club activities. We also rely on volunteers for our signature J.O.G. (Justification of Graduation) and Great Shake annual activities if your schedule is more constrained. Visit our website at www.seedsofhealth.org to learn more.

DONATE

It is no surprise that a great education costs money. As a Seeds of Health supporter, you'll know you are investing in programs that allow students to thrive; where they feel valued and they receive the individualized instruction they need to succeed. From the most academically gifted students to at-risk youth

who struggle with challenges out of their direct control, your financial support provides small caring environments that inspire, empower, and encourage children to try their best, work hard, dream big, and achieve what they once thought was not possible.

Donors just like you have helped us send students to Washington D.C., equip and maintain our Fab Lab and Multi-media Lab, prepare high school students for ACT testing, create an Integrated Mental Health School Model, install playground equipment at the elementary school, establish scholarship funding for post-secondary education, support students with after school enrichment programs and clubs, to name just a few.

Whether you choose to designate your donation to support a specific program or project or allow us to allocate dollars where we see the greatest need, we promise that your investment will make a difference in the lives of children who need and deserve a great education.





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PARTNER WITH US

Seed of Health enjoys strong partnerships with many businesses and organizations throughout the City. Here's a sample of a few of them.

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS

In Fall 2014, Veritas partnered with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metro Milwaukee (BBBS) to pilot the BBBS Mentor2.0 Program. To date, Veritas is the only school in Wisconsin to offer this innovative, relationship-based program. Mentor2.0 is a one-to-one mentoring option for high school students used to prepare them for long-term success including high school graduation, post-secondary readiness, and post-secondary success.

In Fall 2022, BBBS expanded that relationship to provide a mental health and monitoring program for Seeds of Health Elementary 3rd and 4th graders.

WELLPOINT CARE NETWORK

In 2020, Seeds of Health committed to the mental health and wellbeing of our students and school community by partnering with Wellpoint Care Network. What started as a pilot program at Seeds of Health Elementary, turned into a four-school program providing our students and families access to therapeutic mental health support services. With the help of resident therapists, students are offered mental health services

during school hours to help support the growing need for mental health and wellbeing.

LOCAL 420 UNION

Students from Tenor and Grandview spend four hours every other week for one semester gaining exposure to technical classes that can lead to future jobs in specific trades through the Local 420 Union. Tradesmen teach students a wide range of skills and topics including shop safety, tool use, electricity, blueprint reading, pipe fitting, value maintenance and replacement, steam, and HVAC.

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AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

SEEDS OF HEALTH, INC.

Seeds of Health, Inc. was named the Non-Profit Organization of the Year by BizTimes at the 2022 BizTimes Nonprofit Excellence Awards.



SEEDS OF HEALTH ELEMENTARY

SOHE's reading specialist, Marietta Luckman, went back to school and received her doctorate in reading.

SOHE K4-5th graders were selected this year (and for the past 4 years) to receive gift drive items from Bay Gives Back.

SOHE also received Henry Schein Back to School gifts (school supplies), which were donated to all K4-8th grade students.



TENOR HIGH SCHOOL

Tenor High School received the DPI Expansion Grant.

Tenor received an "Exceeding Expectations" ranking on their school report card for the 2021-22 school year.

This year, Tenor Cathedral Square was able to secure a SECOND grant funded classroom for the Milwaukee Rep's Reading in Residency Program, ensuring all our 9th grade students are able to participate in this intensive push-in program.



Two Tenor students received scholarships from the ADAMM Dealers Association to continue their studies in the automotive industry.

GRANDVIEW HIGH SCHOOL

Certificate of Recognition for Reading and Math from Wisconsin Rtl Center/PBIS Network 2020-21

Silver Award for Math from Wisconsin Rtl Center/PBIS Network 2021-22

Tenor's graduating class of 2022 saw the majority returning to MATC after graduation to pursue their Technical Diploma or Associate's Degree.

GRANDVIEW HIGH SCHOOL

Grandview also received the PBIS Silver award in the area of behavior and classroom management. Our Grandview campus was recognized for excellence in their equitable, multi-level systems leading to student success. This equitable system allows Grandview to increase instruction, build staff skills and proactively provides support for all learners, which builds stronger relationships.



Veritas' graduating class of 2022 received over \$8.8 million in scholarships.

In 2021 our student Jessica Rodriguez had two films chosen for the Milwaukee Youth Show through the Milwaukee Film Festival.

In 2021 two students, Nelia Ledesma and Jessica Rodriguez, were selected for the upcoming MOWA exhibit.

In 2022, the Veritas Engineering Club received the "Most Innovative Step" Award presented by Marquette University College of Engineering at the STEM Forward competition.

VERITAS HIGH SCHOOL

Kelly McCann and Jennifer Magruder - AP Fellows Scholarship (This allowed two of our teachers to attend the AP Summer Institute on a scholarship).

Veritas continues to be recognized by U.S. News & World Report as one of America's Best High Schools. As of 2021 we were ranked #19 for the Best Wisconsin High Schools.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHTS

Tenor High School Cathedral Square Campus launched in 2020 and at that time, the school's mission was changed to include the dual certification program in partnership with MATC. Students did not originally attend this school with MATC in mind. Some students struggled to find a path after the school's mission changed and they were required to attend MATC their senior year, but many students found their place within the Tenor model and have succeeded! Aiyanna Wilson and Joe Mosqueda are just two of those successful students.



Aiyanna Wilson
Tenor High School
Class of 2022

Aiyanna Wilson repeatedly told various Tenor staff members that she had no interest, whatsoever, in attending MATC. However, after many discussions and a bit of prodding, Aiyanna decided on a specific plan while at MATC her senior year. She started studying entrepreneurship and found her passion! Not only did she find a path that fit her well, she flourished in her studies, earning her way to the Dean's List both semesters. She has continued on at MATC working towards her degree achievement.



Joe Mosqueda
Tenor High School
Class of 2022

Joe Mosqueda struggled with online learning during the pandemic and worked extremely hard to make his way to MATC. Once there, he found his passion in auto mechanics and maintenance. Not only did he do well in his classes, he also applied for, and received, the Heiser Automotive Groups Scholarship, with the possibility of receiving a paid internship.

STUDENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Travel and community exploration is an important experience for students: it teaches awareness, understanding of cultural difference, empathy, and the capacity to challenge and status quo of our own world. Whether locally or globally, getting our students out into the world to have new experiences is an important learning tool that also helps build character.

SEEDS OF HEALTH ELEMENTARY

Seeds of Health Elementary partners with the Urban Ecology Center and their NEEP program. Students take field trips to local parks and wildlife areas to learn about the ecology of their own neighborhood.



22 STUDENTS IN THE
COMMUNITY

TENOR HIGH SCHOOL

Tenor continues to participate in the BBBS Mentor 2.0 Program that matches students with community mentors.

Tenor's Travel Club went to Costa Rica in 2021.

As part of a Herb Kohl sponsored trip, Tenor students went to Washington DC on a field trip to get a glimpse of the heart of our American political system.

Tenor students have visited the following universities and post-secondary institutions since the fall of 2020:

- Mount Mary University
- Cardinal Stritch University
- Marquette University
- Concordia University
- UW-Whitewater
- MATC
- UW-Parkside
- MIDDLE
- Mount Mary University
- Alverno College

Tenor's daily field trips since the fall of 2020 have included:

- The Milwaukee Rep
- Urban Ecology Center
- Marcus Performing Arts Center
- Rainbow Camp Grade-Level Retreats
- Local 420
- Brewer's Game Math Day
- Junior Trip to Six Flags
- Admirals Education Game
- ADAMM Dealers Auto Show





VERITAS HIGH SCHOOL

Veritas' Travel Club went to Costa Rica in 2021.

Veritas students have visited the following universities and post-secondary institutions since the fall of 2020:

- Mount Mary University
- UW-Madison
- UW-Milwaukee
- Marquette University
- Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE)
- Concordia University
- MATC
- Lakeland College
- Wisconsin Lutheran College
- Cardinal Stritch University
- Carroll University



Veritas' daily field trips since the fall of 2020 have included:

- The Pabst Mansion
- The Milwaukee Jewish Museum
- The Milwaukee Rep
- Sports Complex Day
- Charity Walk
- Rainbow Camp Grade-Level Retreats
- UCC/Latino Arts
- Local 420
- The Respect Retreat with Youth Frontiers



*“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world: indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has.”
- Margaret Mead*

WHO MAKES IT HAPPEN

Great administration creates structure and stability. At Seeds of Health, the success of our students is a product of our administration’s dedication.



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GLOSSARY

2R “2r” charter schools in the State of Wisconsin are “independent” charter schools, to indicate that no school board is involved in their establishment. The Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, the chancellor of UWM, the chancellor of UW-Parkside, and the MATC district board may establish and operate a charter school under this designation.

CHARTER SCHOOL A publicly funded independent school established by teachers, parents, or community groups under the terms of a charter with a local or national authority

DPI Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction is the state agency that advances public education and libraries in Wisconsin and provides supervision for the state’s public school districts.

DPI AWARDS The Wisconsin Title I Schools of Recognition awards highlight schools that have demonstrated success in educating students from low-income families. To qualify, schools must receive federal Title I funding to provide services to large numbers or high percentages of economically disadvantaged children and meet other achievement criteria.

MATC Milwaukee Area Technical College

MPS Milwaukee Public Schools

PLTW Project Lead the Way is a nationally recognized program that prepares students to be innovative and productive leaders in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). PLTW encourages the development of problem-solving skills, critical thinking, creative innovative reasoning, and a love of learning.

RTI Response to Intervention is a process that provides intervention and educational support to all students at increasing levels of intensity based on individual needs. The goal is to prevent problems and intervene early so that students can be successful.

UWM The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee





For over 35 years, Seeds of Health has successfully built programs to enhance educational opportunities for students in Milwaukee. Our aim is to continue to provide and expand innovative schools that will meet the needs of urban youth.

- David Hase
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I continue to be impressed with the innovative and stellar educational programs provided through the Seeds of Health organization. As the Director of the UWM Office of Charter Schools, I truly appreciate this partnership!

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