



## KNAPP ELEMENTARY: RACINE COUNTY'S FIRST COMMUNITY SCHOOL

### WHAT IS A COMMUNITY SCHOOL?

A community school is both a place and a set of partnerships between the school and other community resources. A community school's integrated focus on academics, services, supports, and opportunities leads to improved student learning, stronger families and healthier communities.

Community schools increase opportunities for children to succeed in school by adding the kinds of resources known to make a difference: increased parental involvement in children's education; extra learning opportunities through educational enrichment; consistent access to adult guidance and support; and ready access to health, dental and mental health services. Many community schools also offer early childhood education, adult education, financial stability services for families, recreational activities, and community-wide events. Schools become centers of the community and are open to everyone — all day, every day, evenings and weekends.

Nothing is more important to Racine County's long-term economic prosperity than the development of a workforce with the necessary skills and knowledge required to perform the job. That development begins in the classroom and in neighborhoods. Together, we can prepare children for success in education and life by providing the resources and support they need.



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### TIMELINE

#### September/October 2015

Outcomes framework, evaluation plan and list of potential services for Knapp families and students developed.

#### Winter 2015/2016

Community Schools Manager hired by United Way of Racine County.

#### January/February 2016

UWRC invitation to engage and RFP for Knapp Community School's services released.

#### August 2016

Open house and celebration of Knapp Community School.

#### September 2016

Knapp Community School opens.