

Portland Public Schools Foundation

a program of **all hands raised**



What is *All Hands Raised*?

All Hands Raised is the backbone organization managing the Cradle to Career (C2C) partnership in Portland and Multnomah County. A key part of our work to administer the Portland Public Schools Foundation and manage the PPS Equity Fund.

What does *All Hands Raised* do?

We mobilize the community to help all kids achieve their full potential. From birth to age 25, cradle to career, we're committed to education, equity and excellence for our children and youth.

Why did the Portland Schools Foundation change its name?

For over 17 years, the Portland Schools Foundation engaged the community to help meet the most urgent educational needs of our kids, which centered on stewarding PPS parent-led fundraising and managing the PPS Equity Fund. When we were endorsed as the managing partner of C2C on Nov. 30, 2010, we also were asked to align our name and identity with the newly expanded scope of the work.

Will *All Hands Raised* Still Act as the Portland Public Schools Foundation?

Yes. A large part of our work remains stewarding PPS parent-led fundraising and managing the PPS Equity Fund. We are proud of this work and proud of the PPS parents who have increased their support of PPS schools over the past three years.

Will PPS Parents Receive Acknowledgement Letters from *All Hands Raised*?

We have been very strategic in the development of our new identity to include a mark specific to our Portland Public Schools Foundation program. This mark will be used on all communication specific to the PPS parent community. All receipts, acknowledgements, thank you letters, etc. will come on Portland Public Schools Foundation letterhead.

What does *All Hand Raised* mean?

All Hands Raised is more than a new name. It's a call to action. It's a challenge to ensure all kids have the opportunity to achieve their full potential. It represents the aspirations our community shares for our kids and the willingness of the community to do what is needed to ensure all children and youth achieve their potential. We hope that PPS Local School Foundations can also use All Hands Raised as a rally cry in their own communities – imploring the community specific to a school to “Raise their Hands” in support of the specific needs of that school.

What is the Mission of *All Hands Raised*?

Our mission is to champion education, equity and excellence inside and outside of the classroom. We mobilize leadership, ideas, resources and community action to ensure all kids in all neighborhoods throughout Portland and Multnomah County achieve their full potential.

***All Hands Raised* stands for:**

Education, Equity, Relationships, Progress, Focus and Accountability

We Promise all of our children the dedicated support of the entire community and fair access to the opportunities to achieve their full potential.

We deliver on our promise by...

- Keeping children and youth at the center of everything we do
- Being fully invested in and accountable for the ongoing achievement of all children
- Convening a forum for diverse interests to come together and build relationships
- Using our voice to inform, educate, represent and inspire
- Sponsoring open dialog and the collective responsibility that leads to positive change
- Stewarding continuous improvement and growth for all partners