Trends in the Achievement Gap
(National Assessment Of Educational Progress Data)
TRIPLE TROUBLES

ACADEMIC PROBLEMS

NOT ENOUGH AFTERSCHOOL AND SUMMER PROGRAMS

INSUFFICIENT SOCIO-EMOTIONAL/MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT
Without Afterschool

11.3 million kids are alone and unsupervised from 3 to 6 p.m.

Afterschool is the peak time for kids to
• commit crimes or become victims of crimes
• experiment with drugs, alcohol, cigarettes & sex

Source: America After 3PM – Afterschool Alliance
We need a systemic approach to addressing these challenges with SEL/SED at the center
A New Simplicity of Socio-emotional Development

The Clover Model of Youth Development

- Assertiveness
- Belonging
- Reflection
- Active Engagement
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Data to Know Every Learner
The Need for Assessments: PEAR’s Holistic Student Assessment (HSA)

A data-driven tool to promote socio-emotional development in young people in school and afterschool settings.

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<td>2. I stand up for things that matter to me.</td>
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<td>3. When I see another kid who is hurt or upset, I feel sorry for them.</td>
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<td>4. There are adults I look up to and admire.</td>
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<td>5. I try to look at a situation in different ways.</td>
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<td>6. I like to help people with their problems.</td>
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<td>7. I like to move my body.</td>
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Average Number of Strengths & Challenges Per Student at Sample School

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Most Common Challenges:
• Empathy
• Trust
• Optimism

Strengths: 2.51
Challenges: 2.77
George Washington Middle School -- Spring 2016

Demographic Data
Out of the 203 students who took the HSA:

Race
- 46% White, Caucasian (non-Hispanic)
- 13% African-American/Black
- 33% Asian, Asian-American
- 3% Middle Eastern or Arab
- 5% More than 1

Gender
- 56% Girls
- 44% Boys

Grade
- 33% Grade 6
- 21% Grade 7
- 46% Grade 8

HSA Support Need Pyramid
- 20.5% Tier 3
- 48.7% Tier 2
- 30.8% Tier 1

Average Strengths & Challenges Per Student by Grade

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Using Targeted Programming: The Example of PEAR Groups

Reflections Group

StrongLinks Group

Photo Justice Group

Ready, Set, Action Group
Action Steps to build a future where students and staff learn, dream and thrive
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