

## ALPENGLOW ELEMENTARY

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**What methods did you use to report the results of your grant to interested members of the public? Some examples would be your school newsletter, parents' meeting, or your school web site.**

School Newsletters and General Member PTA meetings.

### **Major Accomplishment**

Alpenglow is in its fourth year of a growing and successful peer mediation program with 50 active members, 3rd through 6th graders. Mediators assist noon duties and help students resolve conflicts peacefully by finding a win-win solution. Mediators are serious and responsible about their job, and are respected by their peers. Supplementing the mediator program are Anti-bullying lessons taught by our health teacher. These are lessons from our bullying kit that define for students bully, by-stander, and harassment; create awareness of bullying situations; and offer conflict resolutions through role playing and other activities and handouts. Additionally, the health teacher reinforces the teaching of Kelso's Choices to all students which regular classrooms and peer mediators use in conflict resolution.

Another reinforcement to our program are the SEL lessons taught two times per month to students by our counselor.

### **Students Served**

<b>Elementary</b>	530
<b>Middle School</b>	0
<b>High School</b>	0

### **Services and Activities Provided:**

During this school year, our school provided the following activities:

- After-School or before-school programs
- Community service projects
- Conflict resolution/peer mediation
- Parent education/involvement
- Special, one-time events (Please describe below)
- Student support services (e.g., student assistance programs, counseling, mentoring, identification and referral)
- Teacher/staff training
- \*Military Appreciation Lunch
- \*Book Fairs
- \*Art Club
- \*Student Council
- \*Family Fun/Movie nights
- \*Jump Rope for Heart
- \*Native Olympics
- \*Science Fair
- \*Alpenglow T-Shirt Sales-school spirit/climate
- \*Math Derby
- \*Battle of the Books
- \*City Wide Clean Up

### **Specialized Program Use**

Our school used the following specialized program(s):

- Red Ribbon Week

The Great Body Shop  
 RCCP Peer Mediation  
 Kelso's Choice  
 40 Developmental Assets Framework  
 \*Military Counselor/Mentor  
 \*Anti-Bullying Lessons from our bullying kit taught by our health teacher

**Coordination**

Our school's drug and violence prevention program coordinates with the following other agencies and organizations for the services indicated:

- Law enforcement officials
  - Public Awareness Activities
- Health providers
  - Teacher, Staff Training
  - Public Awareness Activities

**Student and Parent Involvement**

Students **were** involved in design, delivering, or critiquing drug or violence prevention programs.  
 Parents **were** involved in design, delivering, or critiquing drug or violence prevention programs.

**Activity Reports**

**Peer Mediation Program**

**Brief Description**

Alpenglow completed our 4th year of peer mediation program with 50 active members. At the beginning of the school year, mediators were selected and trained by a team of 2 staff members and our principal. New mediators attended a 2 day training; recurring members a 1 day training. A conference room was rented for this purpose through Parks and Recreation. A training graduation ceremony was given. The new to program mediators were paired with experienced mediators, and assisted in resolving student conflicts at recess. Mediators were supervised by noon duties, 2 mediator team teachers, Mediator meetings/debriefings were help throughout the year, as well as, and end of the year celebration.

**Needs Assessment**

School Climate and Connectedness Survey

**Evaluation Methods**

Pre and Post School Climate/Peer Relationships Survey

**Data Summary**

Pre/Post Data Table	Activity: Peer Mediation		
School: Alpenglow	Coordinator: Pam Witherington		
Questions:	Pre	Post	Change
1. Do you feel safe at school?(always or usually)	91%	94%	3%
2. Do you know Kelso's Choices?	81%	85%	4%
3. Do you know what peer mediators are?	96%	95%	1%
4. Have you ever used a peer mediator to help you solve a problem?	60%	52%	8%
5. If you have used a mediator, have they been helpful and fair?	93%	68%	25%

**Other Comments**

Mediators are responsible and accountable for their job. Mediator skills continue to improve with experience. Respect for mediators is seen among the school population, as well as, pride to be involved in the program among the mediators. This year's new to program mediators are looking forward to participating again next year.