



BEACON
AFTERSCHOOL
PROGRAM

August 2022

SY'22-23 Annual Report

Summary of August 2021-June 2022



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About BEACON

The BEACON Afterschool program offers a safe and supportive environment for the students of Grand County and Northern San Juan from the end of the school day to 5:00 pm.

The program provides an intentional blend of academic and enrichment opportunities for students in kindergarten to eighth grade. BEACON programming encompasses academic support services, enrichment opportunities, social and emotional well-being programs, and family outreach for over 270 students at Helen M Knight Elementary (HMK), Moab Charter School (MCS), and Margaret L. Hopkin Middle School (MLHMS).

BEACON works closely with other Grand County School District programs and schools to provide enrichment and academic services that support and supplement school day learning.

BEACON's mission is to empower students to discover their innate ability to succeed.

Meet Our Admin Staff

Melissa McKimney was born and raised in Moab. She has worked for BEACON for six years and has a Master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction. Outside of BEACON, she enjoys scary movies, reading, paint pouring, the internet, and music from the 90's. She likes spending time with her husband, Jeff, daughter Hannah, and their cat and two horses.

Tressa Franklin is a homegrown Moabite who, having spent time in afterschool programs herself as a child in HMK, is excited to give back to the Moab Community by joining BEACON as the Site Coordinator. She is a graduate from the University of Utah where she studied Elementary Education and explored various programming for K-6 students. You could find Tressa biking around town, reading in public parks, or swimming at local river spots.

Tamara Freida coordinates the Beacon Strings Program portion of the Beacon Afterschool Program, as well as teaching music class at the Moab Charter School. Tamara is a classically trained violinist by education, and plays in the Arizona Opera, San Juan Symphony, and also the bluegrass band Quicksand Soup. She enjoys teaching music because it is so rewarding to see people brought together through the commonality of playing music no matter their differences, and that it can be done at any age.



Melissa McKimney
Elementary Programs
Manager



Tressa Franklin
HMK Site
Coordinator



Tamara Freida
String Program
Coordinator

Meet Our Admin Staff

Xandra Odland is a transplant to Moab, arriving here in 2013. Her background is in outdoor, experiential and adventure education. She is finishing her Master's degree in Adventure Education with a focus on Student Leadership. Xandra can be found at skate events, on the river or hiking with her dog.

Chrissy Kinslow has been a long time Moab resident, having four generation currently calling Moab home. She holds a BA in Fine Art with a Marketing Minor from Fort Lewis College. Upon earning her degree she took on the roll as the Art Specialist at the Moab Charter School under the name of Madam Doodle and simultaneously conducting BEACON after school activities five days a week. Kinslow then took a job teaching middle and high school Art until she had some medical issues she needed to address. That battle was won and now she is back at it with the kids as the BEACON Teen Programs Manager and couldn't be happier

The Family Outreach Coordinator works with programs managers and site coordinators to continue to develop outreach and engagement strategies appropriate to family needs, coordinate and provide outreach events, and administer family surveys and interpret the data collected.



Xandra Odland
Program Director



Chrissy Kinslow
Teen Programs Manager

We Are Hiring -
Family Outreach
Coordinator

Program Highlights Elementary

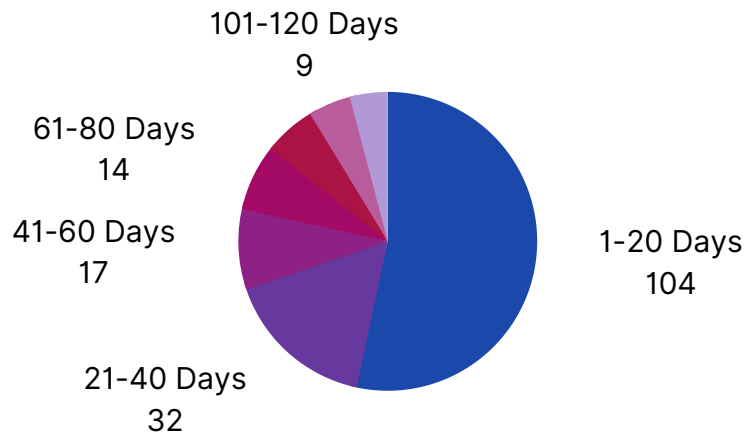
STUDENTS SERVED	STUDENTS IN ACADEMICS	CLUBS OFFERED	SNACKS OFFERED
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204	40	106	6,205
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DAYS OF PROGRAMMING	HOURS OF PROGRAMMING	SCHOOL DAY STAFF WORKING WITH THE PROGRAM	HOURS OF ACADEMIC SUPPORT
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154	400	5	188
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Number of Days Attended by Students



Elementary Program Summary



Academic Highlights

41 students attended Tutoring and Homework clubs

Students in Tutoring consistently increased reading levels and work completion.

Peer Tutors

14 students participated as Peer Tutors! These 4th, 5th and 6th Grade students worked with 1st and 2nd graders on Math and Reading Skills under the supervision of adult club leaders.

Enrichment Highlights

106 different clubs offered for elementary students

Chess club was one of our most popular club choices for students - 45 students attended!

The 2nd Annual BEACON String Camp was a success, with 27 registered students

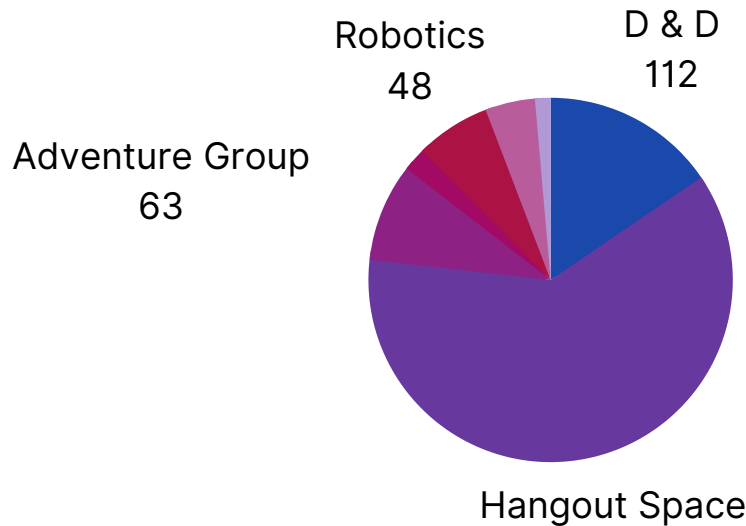
Field Trips

Students rode the BEACON Activity Bus to field trips at Moonflower Canyon, Courthouse Wash, Poison Spider

Program Highlights-Teen

STUDENTS SERVED	WORKSHOPS OFFERED	FIELD TRIPS
70	5	8
DAYS OF PROGRAMMING	HOURS OF PROGRAMMING	HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT VOLUNTEERS
150	400	5

What Brought Students to BEACON?



Teen Program Summary



Program Highlights

5 High School students volunteered as leaders in clubs at MLHMS and HMK
72% of MLHMS students have participated in BEACON in this or prior years.

Dungeons and Dragons Club was run by MLHMS students for MLHMS students

Clubs and Workshops Offered

Adventure Group
Art Club
Confidence Club
Cooking Workshops
Dungeons and Dragons
Geology and Rock Art Field Trip
Equine Group
Just Dance
Wii Bowling Tournaments

Funding in 2021-22

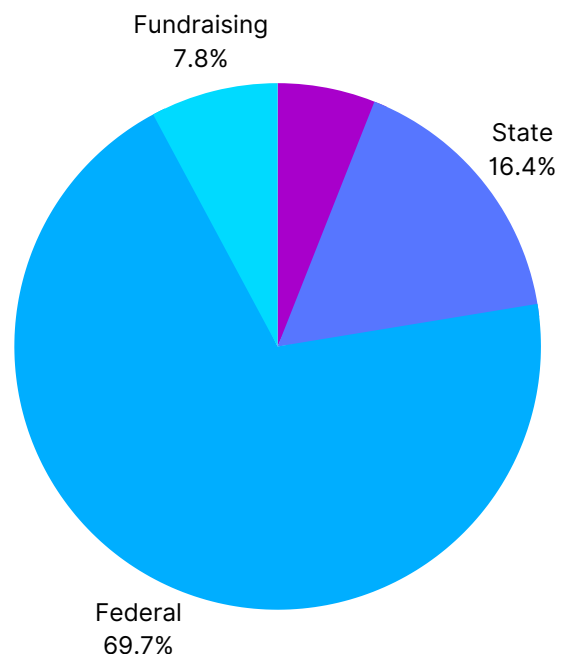


Grants & Donations

BEACON is primarily funded through state and federal grants (managed through state agencies) in addition to support from Grand County School District and other local entities.

Fundraising

This Year, BEACON surpassed our fundraising goal due to the donations of businesses and individuals in the Moab community. Thank you!



Thank you BEACON Supporters!

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Community Partners

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Local Business Donors

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Private Donors

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Partner-Run Clubs & Workshops

Community Partners

Canyon Country Outdoor Ed
Girls on the Run of Western Colorado
Grand Area Mentoring
Grand County School District
Moab Charter School
Moab Music Festival
Moab Taiko Dan
Moab Valley Multicultural Center
Science Moab
Utah State University - 4H Extension
Wabi Sabi
Youth Garden Project

Funders and Donors

Ben Byrd Construction LLC
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Department of Workforce Services
Department of Health Services - Office of Chilcare
Fiesta Mexicana
George S and Delores Eccles Foundation
Grand County Recreation Special Service District
Grand County School District
Moab Gas, LLC
Knowles Home Furnishing
Moab Music Festival
Moab Real Estate Company
Rocky Mountain Power Foundation
Ricks Running Events
Rose Tree Holdings
Sweet Cravings Bakery
Synergy
The Gym on 5th
Utah State Board of Education
Wabi Sabi

New in 2022-23!

Afterschool for All

BEACON has removed all program fees for afterschool activities, all clubs and workshops are free for any student who wished to attend.

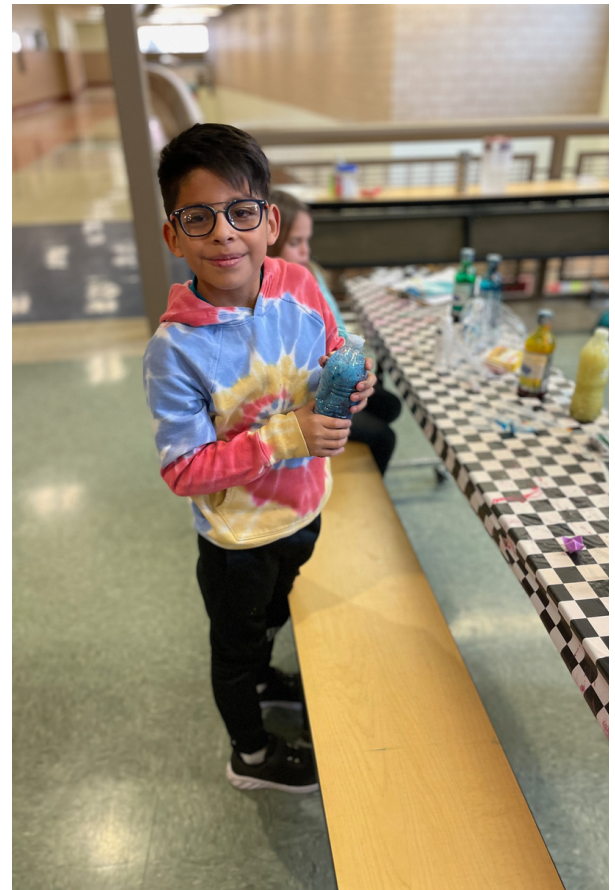
BEACON Afterschool to Expand Program Offerings for 2022-2023

BEACON Afterschool program will expand program offerings in order to fulfill the needs of more families. The BEACON Afterschool program offers a safe and supportive environment for the students of Grand County during the hours of 3:00 to 5:00 pm.

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Starting in **August 2022**, BEACON will synchronize the start of afterschool programming and the academic school year. This offering of additional weeks of programming will make it so families will not need to obtain additional childcare services at the beginning of the school year.

BEACON will start **August 22nd** at HMK and MLHMS and end **May 26th**, creating an additional four weeks of afterschool programming available for students in first to eighth grade and two additional weeks for kindergarten students.





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