

THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP CONTINUUM

Where is your school program on the public-private partnership continuum?

COMMUNITY SERVICE (Students deliver)	SERVICE LEARNING (Faculty designs)	COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (Whole institution commits)
Students: Individual students and groups volunteer.	Students: Individual students and groups responsible for the work.	Students and Faculty: School leadership places community engagement at center of educational
Faculty: Advise	Faculty: Faculty members design curriculum and organize projects relevant to the topic of study.	program. Faculty works with students to design, assess, and redesign effective programs.
Accountability: Hours tracked; occasional comments from agencies served.	Accountability: Students are given time for preparation and reflection. Individuals, groups, teachers assess outcomes Community organization provides direct feedback.	Accountability: Community organizations and school(s) are mutually involved in assessing outcomes and continuing improvement of program.
Typical programs: Holiday clothing drive Beach clean-up Book drive	Typical programs: Students study urban issues and work as tutors, kitchen staff in shelters, and urban gardeners.	Typical programs: Academic enrichment program designed by public-private schools together, directed by faculty and students.
Typical student comments: <i>"We raise money for kids in need."</i> <i>"We do 40 hours per semester."</i> <i>"There's more we could do."</i> <i>"I wish we could see them more than twice per year."</i>	Typical student comments: "I like the interaction with the people. I appreciate the time to study the issues, and talk with the teachers about it." "I see there's more we could do. I like something that makes a real difference in my community." "Knowing someone needs makes me work hard."	Typical student comments: "I feel useful. I never knew I could do this." "I wish I could have done this as a freshman. Here is a way we could restructure the freshman school year to make it possible." "Our project is going well and a new need has emerged. Here is how we might address it." "I really feel empowered by the appreciation of the community."