

# The PEAK Learning Center

A 21st Century Community Learning Center grant funded program

Serving students from Coronado Hills, Federal Heights, Hillcrest, Malley Drive, McElwain, North Star, Rocky Mountain, Stukey, Thornton Elementary and Vantage Point High schools beyond the school day.

**Our Mission:** to provide a safe place for students to experience success.

**Guiding Principles:**  
Respect, Advocacy, Community

| PARTICIPANTS  | COMMUNITY PARTNERS  | SERVICES   |
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|  Invited & eligible second- through fifth-grade students |  Center for anti-bullying & non-violence |  15 hours of structured support each week |
|  Striving readers  |  PeaceJam                                |  Caring adults                            |
|  English Language Learners                               |  Additional enrichment providers         |  Transportation home by district buses    |

I have a special bond with everyone in this program. I enjoy learning and growing in this program. I have learned to read and write better. I have also learned to interact with other people around me. One thing I love more than anything in this program is spending time with my PEAK family.



**Lillian**, fifth-grader

**1,701 DIFFERENT STUDENTS SERVED**  
from 2010-2016

**END OF YEAR ATTENDANCE RATES**

94% PEAK Participants vs. 90% Non-PEAK Students  
*Elementary grades 2-5*

## PROGRAM COMPONENTS

### myON

A highly engaging digital library that provides personalized reading opportunities based on both student interest and skill level using the lexile framework.

### Social Emotional Learning

The five competencies are developed through specific organizational structures and norms (self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, responsible decision-making, and relationship skills.)

### STEM

Fully integrated Science, Technology, Engineering and Math units designated to include opportunities for student voice in a constructive environment.

### The PEAK Way

This strengths-based training provides a roadmap for staff to student interactions that are culturally responsive and personalized to meet individual student needs.

### Imagine Learning

Concepts and words learned in English are repeated in multiple modalities to deepen student understanding and comprehension.

### Parent Engagement

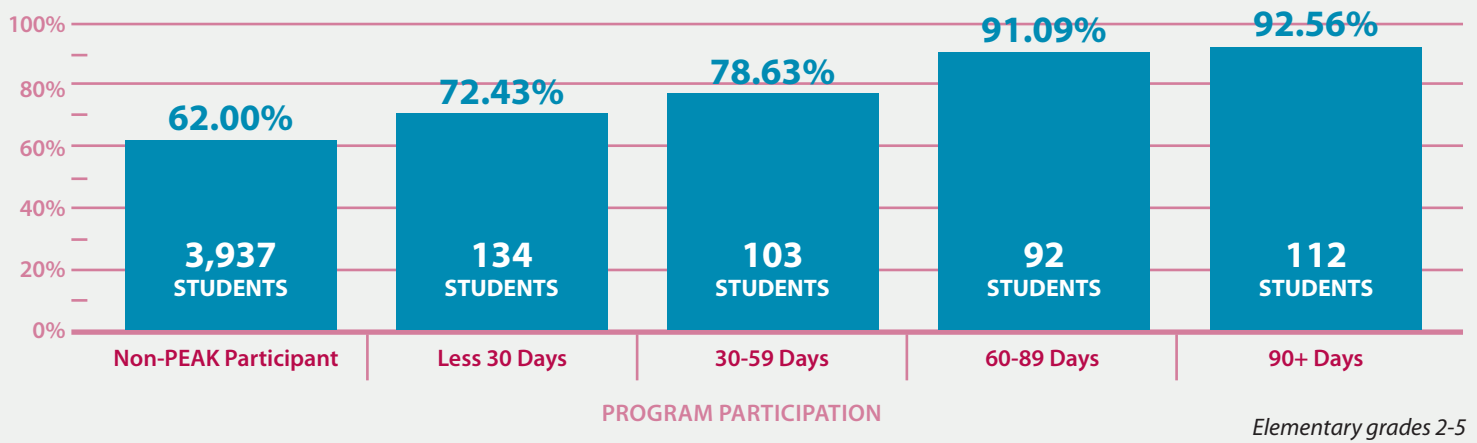
Parents / Guardians are given varied opportunities to spend time actively supporting their student(s) throughout the year.

**44,875**  
**BOOKS READ**  
during 2015-2016  
school year!

## READING ASSESSMENT RESULTS

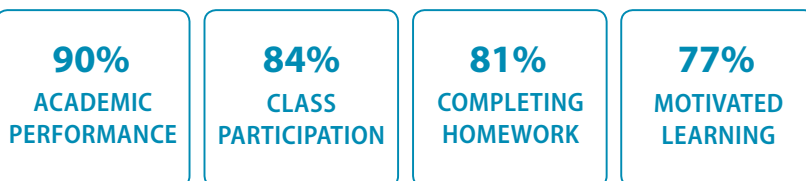
### NWEA Map for Elementary Sites

Percent of students who met typical growth from Fall to Spring 2015-2016



## TEACHER SURVEY DATA

Improvements in behaviors assessed by classroom teachers who completed a survey developed by the 21st Century Community Learning Center initiative.



Elementary grades 2-5 and High School

I have seen this program help my painfully shy child grow his confidence to work and speak to peers and adults. The PEAK Program is a program that is one-of-a-kind. I could never afford for my child anything like the support and learning he has received from our PEAK Program! I pray the other children will continue to benefit from the phenomenal program by keeping it funded.

**Kathryn Henshaw,**  
parent at Federal Heights Elementary