## PENCIL Partners
** Local businesses, civic organizations, and faith communities partner with Nashville public schools to establish viable community-school relationships that support educators and students.

**2009-10 Results**
- 680 PENCIL Partners (an all-time high!) served 76,300 students.

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## LP PENCIL Box
** A school-supply center that solicits community donations and new or gently used materials for teachers and students.

**2009-10 Results**
- 31,000 students received free school supplies.

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## Jobs for Tennessee Graduates
** Middle and high school students receive academic support, learn job-readiness skills, access adult mentoring and participate in leadership opportunities.

**2009-10 Results**
- 847 students are better prepared for a career or college.

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## Career Mentoring
** Business volunteers help ninth-grade students adjust to high school, appreciate the relevance of education and explore a wide variety of career options.

**Results**
- 67 students learned about wise personal and academic choices in a pilot program last year. Career Mentors will now expand to all 12 comprehensive high schools.

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## Reading Partners & Math Partners
** Volunteers tutor elementary and middle school students in reading and math, with other volunteers reading aloud to a class of students.

**2009-10 Results**
- 1,947 students acquired key reading skills and increased fluency, and 690 students learned essential math skills and concepts.

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## Art2STEM
** An afterschool program to parlay the love of art into increased enrollment of girls in high school career academies focusing on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

**2009-10 Results**
- 160 middle school students explored the world of STEM and visited local businesses and colleges. They will continue next year, and another cohort will be added.

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## Financial Literacy & Homebuyer Education
** Volunteers teach money management skills to youth and prepare prospective homebuyers.

**2009-10 Results**
- 257 students and adults increased their financial knowledge, helping students make financially sound decisions and first-time homebuyers to purchase their own property.

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## Maplewood Family Resource Center
** Students, families and school personnel are linked to community organizations to remove barriers that hinder academic success and productive lives.

**2009-10 Results**
- 1,228 students were connected to services that allowed them to engage more fully in high school life.

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## Student Writers Showcase
** A writing competition for students in grades 5-8 that promotes effective communication and creative thinking skills.

**2009-10 Results**
- 213 students received recognition for their initiative and excellence in writing.

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## Saint Thomas Science Scholars
** A year-long, hands-on, hospital-based learning experience for selected high school sophomores.

**2009-10 Results**
- 43 students increased their scientific knowledge and gained insight into healthcare professions.

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## Gold Stars
** An early morning and afternoon program at five Metro elementary and middle schools.

**2009-10 Results**
- 275 students participated in tutoring, cultural, and enrichment activities before and after school.

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## Connect with Schools. Create Success.

PENCIL programs help thousands of students each year through a wide variety of programs, part of a 28-year tradition of “linking community resources with Nashville public schools to help young people achieve academic success and prepare for life.”