The mission is to bring community organizations and resources into alignment so that their coordinated support of Nashville's youth has a positive impact on public school success, children's health, and the success of our community as a whole.
Alignment Nashville

Improved Student Achievement

School District Goals and Strategies
non-profits
business
gov't agencies
“The problems facing our cities seem to defy solution. But the only certainty is that the increasingly complex challenges exceed the capabilities of any single sector—public, private, or non-profit—to solve them alone.”

-James E. Austin
Drucker Leadership Series
The Situation (2002)

- **The Problem**
  - In 2002, 175+ non-profits working with schools
  - No overall coordination
  - All accessing schools individually
  - Large dollar, people and goodwill resources being consumed
  - Caused administrative drain
  - Overall impact negligible

- **The Opportunity**
  - Impact on schools’ performance and on youth on our community as a whole could be powerful if efforts focused and coordinated
About Alignment Nashville
Committees

• Pre-K Committee
• Elementary School Committee
• Middle School Committee
• High School Committee
• 16-24 year olds, out of school out of work Committee
• Primary Care
• Healthy Starts
• Healthy Eating Active Living
• Adolescent Sexual Responsibility
• Behavioral Health
• Parent University
• Pathways to Postsecondary Education
• Refugee and Immigrant Support Services
Why the Alignment Process Works

Greater returns on investment—by working together toward common goals, resources are leveraged, duplication is avoided, and efficiency is greatly increased.

Higher quality services—utilizing expertise from multiple organizations guarantees a broader perspective and a wiser approach.

Enhanced capacity--very few organizations have the capacity to have community-wide impact. A collective effort enhances the impact of each of organization, while generating a much greater overall impact.

Leverage of local funding-AN programs have demonstrated they can attract large national funding if local funding has played a role in building the pilot programs.