

Elev8-Chicago

Middle-School Transformation Program

Goal

- Graduates will possess a fire for learning, healthy bodies and minds and the support required to succeed in high school and beyond.

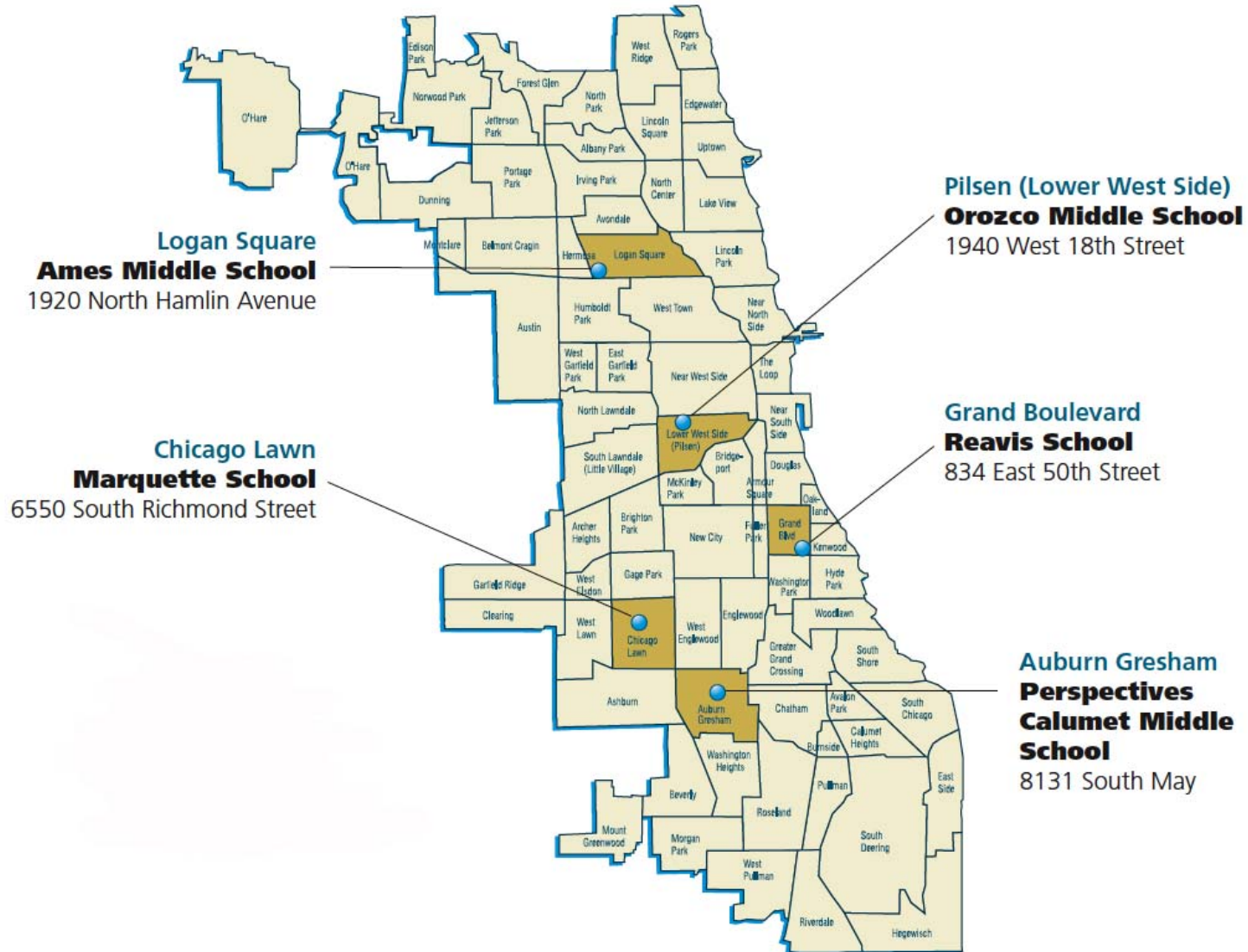


Elev8-Chicago Model

- Academics and Out of School Time
 - Extended-Day Program
 - Integrated Academic Alignment
 - Enrichment Programs
- Health
 - On-site health centers
 - Fitness and Nutrition
 - Health Education and Prevention
- Social Supports
 - Income Supports
 - Mentoring Program
 - Wrap-Around Support Services
- Chicago Signature: Parental and Community Involvement
- Advocacy



Selected teams come from across Chicago



Participants

- Five community-based organizations
- Four CPS schools and one charter school
- Six community-based Health providers
- Five Centers for Working Families
- Dozens of out of school time providers
- Serving 2,800 middle school students



Key Elements for Elev8 Implementation

- Community-Based Organizations are the lead agencies for the program.
- Builds off New Communities Program Quality of Life Plans.
- Multiple stakeholders planned and are now implementing their ideas.
- Requires everyone to think differently.
- This is a long-term strategy.



Role of Community Organizations

- Convener of planning process.
- House program staff.
- Create “glue” to hold the effort together.
- Create local political will and accountability to move project forward.

