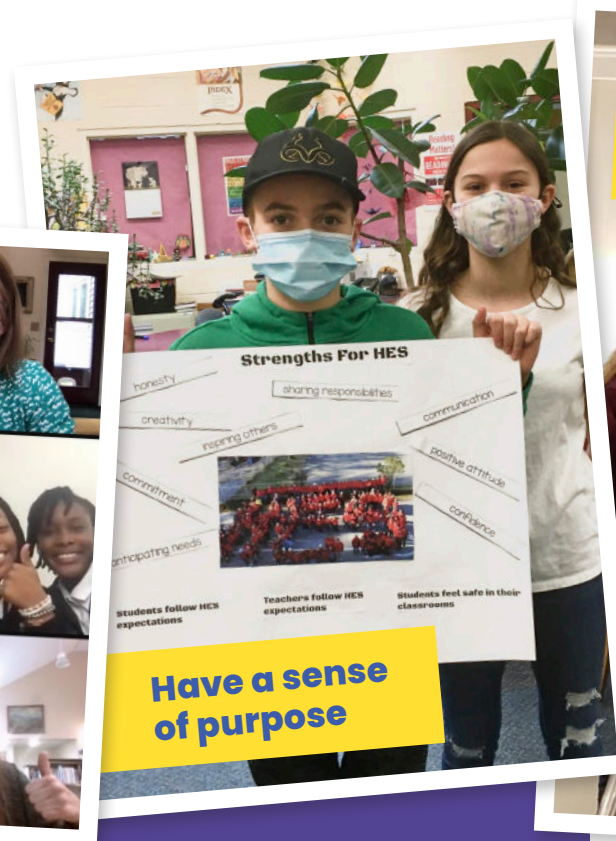


Empowering youth to **create, innovate & lead**

We believe that every young person should...



Unleashing the Power of Partnership for Learning



UP for Learning's programming **significantly improves** youth and adult feelings of agency and belonging.

Source: analysis of 2020-2021 pre- to post-survey data from all participants

*"Every time I attend or facilitate an UP for Learning event, I am reminded why I am a part of all this. I feel like I have never been in a place where **I can listen, learn, share and have conversations that matter so much to me.**"*

—Shelburne Community School student and CPS facilitator

*"School district and community visioning is time-consuming and arduous work; however, in working with UP, **every member walks away equipped with the tools necessary to engage and inspire others** toward a common goal."*

—Amy Rex, Milton Town School District superintendent

UP for Learning's Programs

Getting to 'Y'

Young people become leaders in improving the health and wellness of their communities.



"I can say confidently that I'm a much more comfortable facilitator and I've gotten so many tools to help along the way. Most importantly for me, **I've learned how to reach towards things that I am passionate and care deeply about and that I am proud of.**"

—Twinfield Union student and UP youth facilitator

Personal Power & Community Connections

Youth and adults are empowered to create nurturing learning environments by exploring the skills necessary for personal growth and well being and how to effectively contribute to a healthy and just society.

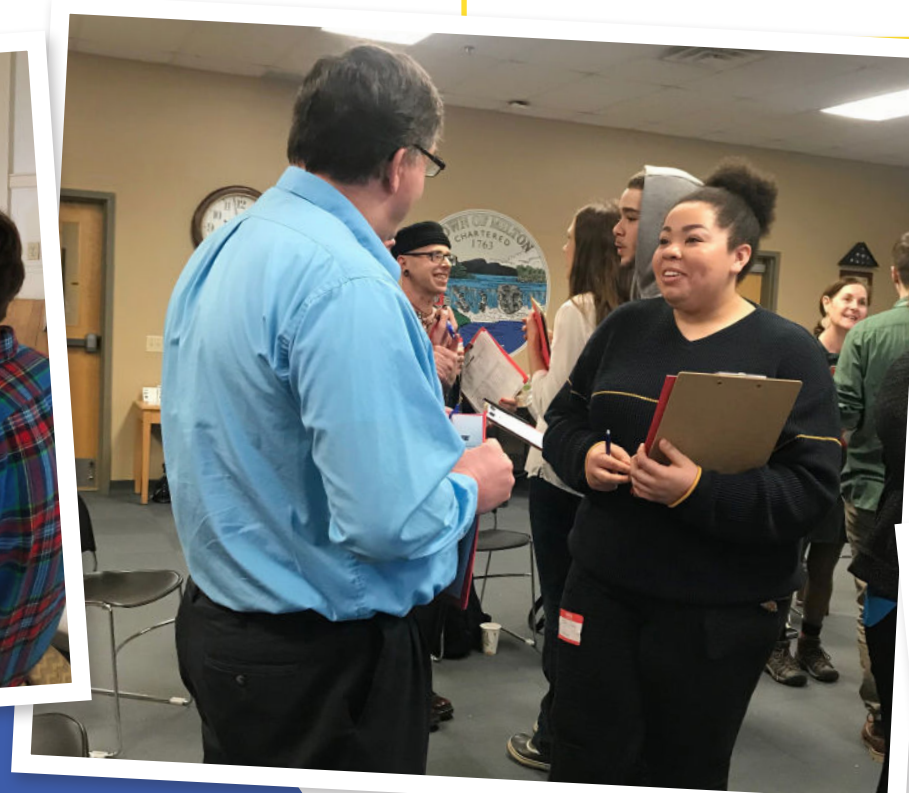


"I am excited most about the potential that this work has to **transformatively change the culture at our school** ... this work helps change our collective mindset."

—UP adult participant

Youth & Adults Transforming Schools Together

Students and teachers join together to ensure that learning is engaging and effective for all students, and youth are agents of change.



Customized Projects and Facilitation

School and community partners co-design with UP for Learning to create a wide variety of opportunities to position youth as change agents in partnership with adults.



"Taking a leadership role and considering all opinions on a matter has helped to **open my eyes to a bigger picture** and step outside of my own mindset."

—youth, River Bend Youth-Adult Continuous Learning Team

Cultivating Pathways to Sustainability

A partnership with Shelburne Farms

Using the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals as a framework, youth and adults create yearlong projects focused on pathways to building a socially, economically, and ecologically just society.

Transforming School Culture through Restorative Practices

Youth and adults weave restorative principles and practices into the fabric of their school culture.



"When people ask me for an example of high quality work on student voice and youth-adult partnerships, **I always send them to UP for Learning. It is the premier nonprofit in the nation** that draws upon evidence-based practice and research to carefully design projects aimed at improving schools and empowering young people."

—Dr. Dana Mitra, Pennsylvania State University



OPENING DOORS TO YOUTH AS INNOVATIVE LEADERS



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Core Values & Beliefs

Our fundamental value is to **SEEK EQUITY & JUSTICE**

We believe that educational equity is a human right. All young people have the right to a meaningful and engaging education. In order to pursue this aim, we are guided by these principles and values...

SHARE RESPONSIBILITY

Learning and change must be transparent and must be driven by adults and youth as equal partners.

START FROM STRENGTHS

Youth and adults have the wisdom and capacity to orchestrate change. Beginning with what's working provides hope and energizes a community to embrace change.

CREATE OPEN DIALOGUE

Deep conversation is central to changing school cultures. When systems are designed for youth to be engaged as full partners with equal value, the work of school transformation can occur by creating a shared vision for education and the learning process.

EMPLOY DATA TO DRIVE CHANGE

Research is a vitally important way to build credibility between youth and adults. When a community works together to make meaning of their own data, they are strengthened by what they learn and emboldened to take action.

We are committed to















ENSURING AFFORDABLE ACCESS

to our programs, and prioritizing our work with our most economically challenged and underserved schools. UP for Learning is committed to systemic social justice and closing the opportunity gap — ensuring that all schools have access to UP's work regardless of their ability to pay.

Celebrating 13 Years of Growth

YEAR 1

YEAR 13

 4 high school teams engaged in improving schools	 433 high, middle and elementary school teams engaged in improving their schools & communities
 Served schools in 4 of 14 Vermont counties	 Served schools in 14 of 14 Vermont counties and a growing number of states including MA, NH, MS, WI and DE.
 32 youth involved in changing their schools	 3,400 empowered & skilled youth leaders made a positive difference in their schools & communities
 1 school transformation program	 5 youth-adult partnership programs transforming schools & communities
 0 graduate courses	 11 accredited graduate classes supporting teachers in their role with youth as co-creators of change
 1 faculty founder	 10 experienced and passionate educational leaders
 An operating budget of \$60,000	 An operating budget of over \$600,000

WE ARE GRATEFUL

to the individuals, foundations, and organizations who have made our work possible over the past 13 years!

SUPPORTERS & COLLABORATORS

In collaboration with the following foundations and organizations, we are proud to ensure that all young people have opportunities, support, knowledge, and skills needed to pursue active roles in their learning, their lives, and their community.



Wisdom Connection

THE J. WARREN & LOIS MCCLURE FOUNDATION



JFF JOHNSON FAMILY FOUNDATION



National Life Group Foundation



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