

## **UrbanPromise AfterSchool Programs Fast Facts**

For more than twenty years, UrbanPromise Ministries has been running AfterSchool programs (ASP) in Camden, New Jersey. Thousands of children have found a safe place where they can build positive relationships with caring adults, receive academic help, grow in their faith, experience new things and build competencies. Currently, UrbanPromise runs five AfterSchool programs – and partners with a sixth – serving more than 250 children in East, South, North and Downtown Camden.

### **When do the ASPs meet?**

AfterSchool Programs start in mid-September and run through late May. The meet Monday to Thursday after school and include small group activities on Monday evenings and Friday afternoons. ASPs begin immediately after school and children are dismissed between 5:30 and 6:30 pm.

### **Where are the ASPs located?**

UrbanPromise runs five ASPs and partners with a sixth. Our programs are located in the East Camden, Waterfront South and North Camden/Lanning Square neighborhoods. Each neighborhood has a program serving 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> graders and a program serving 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> graders.

### **How to children get to and from program?**

Transportation is provided from nearby public schools to the ASP sites at the start of each day. Transportation home is also provided at the end of program in UrbanPromise buses for children living within the neighborhood.

### **How much do the ASPs cost?**

There is no registration or tuition fee. However, we do host periodic, optional special events that there may be a small fee to attend.

### **What do kids do at ASP?**

Each day usually begins with some recreation time which is followed by a snack. Thirty to 45 minutes are then set aside for children to complete homework. Homework time is followed by enrichment or educational activities. Most days end with a closing program in which the entire program gathers for games, songs, skits, announcements, student recognition and a short devotion. UrbanPromise is a Christian organization so Christian teaching and activities play an important role in our programs.

### **Who leads the ASPs?**

Each program is led by one of our full-time, year-round Directors. They are assisted by a team of college-aged Interns from around the world and our StreetLeaders. StreetLeaders are local high school students employed as counselors.

### **How do I register my child?**

Parents can fill out an ASP Interest Form to get on our Interest List. You can get a form from our website (<http://urbanpromiseusa.org/pdf/ASPInterestForm.pdf>), or from our office at 3601 Federal St. For more information, you can contact our office at 856-382-1881.