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# 2025 ANNUAL REPORT

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO



**Tom Cole**  
Founder & CEO

It's been a year of remembrance, change and innovation.

Being the CEO of Kids Unlimited is more than a job; it's deeply personal. I'm grateful beyond words for this journey I've been able to share since this organization's inception 28 years ago.

Seeing the impact KU has made for generations of kids — now parents and leaders in their professions — is truly humbling. Community institutions have changed because of inclusion that all started with an opportunity. Most validating is knowing KU's work continues to evolve and respond to the new landscapes and challenges facing our children and their families. Our history and our impact over decades give us confidence in knowing that with YOU — our community of supporters — the Unlimited is always a reality.

For every season, there is change. And with change comes new beginnings. Now more than ever, it feels important to focus on our foundations — the core of KU's success and longevity — staying true to our mission of empowerment through opportunity. We recognize the need for our work to foster community and belonging, to ensure our kids understand that providing opportunities for others is just as important as opportunities we access for ourselves.

Two of our most incredible inspirations and champions for opportunity left us in 2025. Dorothy Schoder and Wanda Olsrud both provided so much to our organization for decades as strong role models and voices of hope. Read more on page 5 about their lives and legacy, a testament to how impactful the gift of love can be.

We are experiencing a shift like none other in history as pathways to learning follow new trajectories and present so many unknowns. We see it every day in our work, but we also confront it in our daily lives, along with so many questions of what is important, what is healthy and what is meaningful.

I am most proud of this organization's ability to solve problems, react and navigate our work with meaningful intention, regardless if the direction is new or the pathway unknown. With courage, our board, staff, parents and kids stay true to KU's mission and adapt our programs to be innovative yet always intentional. Like the swiftness of change preoccupying our society, we are bravely designing and growing our services to kids and families to ensure meaning and sustainability.

This past year, our organization has undertaken important strategic planning for launching what we believe could be one of KU's most transformative efforts to date. Read more on pages 6-7 about Pastabilities Unlimited, which builds on our decades in youth development, parent engagement, culinary arts, nutrition and social entrepreneurship.

Pastabilities Unlimited is where KU's history meets and greets our future. Its impact and intersection with so many important initiatives is not only exciting but gives us confidence that the totality of its outcomes might just be our most important endeavor yet. Pasta with a Purpose is coming soon.

— Tom Cole, founder and CEO





## KIDS UNLIMITED AT A GLANCE:

STUDENTS IN PRE-KU EARLY LEARNING:	30
CHILDREN IN KU AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS AND CAMPS:	995
STUDENTS IN KU ACADEMY PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL:	443
PARENTS IN KU FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAMS:	476
CLOTHING ITEMS DISTRIBUTED ANNUALLY TO KU PARTICIPANTS:	15,540
MEALS SERVED ANNUALLY TO KU FAMILIES AND OUR COMMUNITY:	369,241



We believe educational opportunities are for everyone — regardless of economics, background, race, gender or zip code.

This belief shaped Kids Unlimited, a grassroots program that took hold in 1998 at a low-income elementary school in Medford. Our organization upholds education and opportunity as the keys to overcoming barriers of language, culture and poverty.

KU's values, 28 years later, have become a community norm. We know the community cares about its children, but we are challenged every day to serve kids whose needs surpass available resources.

- Poverty, hunger and family instability are widespread among KU participants.
- Kids' adverse experiences and social-emotional delays require mental health treatment.
- KU families need wrap-around support, including job, housing and health care referrals.
- Nearly 85% of KU Academy families are Latino, about half of those non-English speaking.

## WHAT WE DO

A nonprofit organization, Kids Unlimited relies on government and foundation grants, private donations, business sponsorships, community partnerships and fees for service. We also need you! Our community's generosity ensures KU can provide these educational opportunities and social supports:

- **Afterschool programs** at 10 of the highest poverty elementary schools in our region;
- **Math and reading assistance** that supplements students' regular school day with 20% more instruction;
- **Enrichment activities** in supervised, safe environments during out-of-school time, including after school, summer, winter and spring breaks;
- **A year-round public charter school** providing 30% more instructional time than Medford district schools;
- **10-hour structured school days** that embed enrichments in arts, music, culinary, sports and other programs often economically out of reach for KU families;
- **High-quality preschool and child care** for Southern Oregon's highest poverty families with a focus on kindergarten readiness, socio-emotional development and hands-on, active learning;
- **Highly qualified, diverse teaching staff**, many bilingual, who offer culturally competent programming;
- **Thousands of meals each day** — 40,000 each month — all cooked on site from scratch, often incorporating locally sourced produce and proteins;
- **"Free" services** to remove participants' economic and cultural barriers and ensure their access and equity.

# WHY CHOOSE KUA?

Kids Unlimited Academy believes the greatest gift in a child's life is education. Our yearlong school lays the foundation for lifelong learning along many avenues.

## These key features — and more — are why families choose KUA:

- FREE public charter school in Medford with smaller class sizes and increased instructional time
- State-of-the-art campus and facilities integrated with technology, security and classroom amenities
- Extended school days include enrichment on site from 7:30 a.m to 5 p.m.
- FREE nutritious breakfast, lunch and dinner freshly prepared and cooked-from-scratch on site, daily
- Commitment to education-focused activities, including STEM, arts, music, sports, Spanish, culinary and more
- Culturally competent programming with Spanish bilingual/bicultural teachers and administrators
- Year-round school calendar designed for working families' schedules and closing the student achievement gap
- Highly diverse student population, as recognized by Oregon Department of Education
- Multi-tiered systems of support for individualized instruction and student success
- Parent involvement and accountability contract ensures strong school-family partnership
- Wrap-around programs incorporated to support families

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at 541-774-3900.

# MEDFORD WOMEN WILL BE REMEMBERED AS TOP KU SUPPORTERS

Southern Oregon has lost two “matriarchs of community philanthropy” who were committed to Kids Unlimited, among other charitable organizations.

Dorothy Schoder passed away at age 97, Jan. 19, 2025, at her Medford residence. Centenarian Wanda Olsrud followed Dec. 29, 2025. Both women will be remembered, said KU Executive Director Tom Cole, not just for their financial support, but their “unwavering commitment to volunteerism.”

“Their belief in education and their belief in opportunity for all children, regardless of their economic or social background, helped to give us confidence in the foundation of the work we were doing,” said Cole.



Grandma Dorothy, Tom Cole and KUA students

Affectionately known as “Grandma” Dorothy, Schoder advocated for “everything from literacy and sciences to the investment in young women’s leadership through sports,” said Cole, who counted her among his dearest friends during her 15 years of involvement with KU. Cole and KU leadership celebrated the life of Grandma Dorothy at a May 2025 event for about 50 guests at KU.

Schoder’s namesake “reading corner” in KU’s Kimmel Family Resource Center remains a cozy nook where staff and other volunteers can connect with kids, as Grandma Dorothy did. The science lab bears her name, and flower beds near KU’s front entrance echo Schoder’s belief that every child was a seed that, nurtured with love and attention, could uniquely and beautifully blossom in the garden of life.

Encouraging youth in agriculture was among Wanda Olsrud’s most passionate causes, which also encompassed local playgrounds and sports venues, education, medical facilities, arts and culture and efforts to alleviate hunger across Southern Oregon. Nearly 60 years ago, Olsrud and husband Sherm, who died in 2019, founded Sherm’s Markets, including Medford’s Food 4 Less and Thunderbird, as well as Thunderbirds in Roseburg and Klamath Falls.

The Olsruds were a driving force behind building KU’s gymnasiums in 2005 and supporting its youth basketball leagues. The Olsruds, Cole recalls, spent many of their weekends for years attending basketball games on the courts that still bear their name. “They were so proud.”

Watching basketball is a pastime that Schoder and Olsrud share in common. Schoder attended every Lady Panthers home game until a few weeks before her death. Dedicating resources during her lifetime and providing resources in her trust, Schoder’s work continues to remove young women’s barriers to playing sports and attending college, said Cole.

“They were both very influential,” said Cole, “sustaining the programs that make up our identity today.”

In their own special ways, each provided kindness and love with a true passion for removing the barriers facing some of our most vulnerable kids,” said Cole. “The spirit of their dedication to KU is embedded in everything we do.



Former KUA principal Jani Hale with Grandma Dorothy



Wanda Olsrud and husband Sherm

# THINK OF THE PASTABILITIES!



Pastabilities Unlimited is poised to bring a fresh culinary perspective to Southern Oregon.

The project of Kids Unlimited has been nearly two years in the making as the organization incubated production and sales of an artisan food product. An extension of KU's award-winning Food Program, Pastabilities Unlimited will integrate cooking skills and work experience for students with the daily provision of more than 40,000 meals served to our community's most vulnerable children.

"Kids Unlimited has always had a reputation of thinking outside of the box when it comes to creating solutions for community needs," said KU Executive Director Tom Cole.

The latest solution will take shape as a culinary arts and entrepreneurial training center embedded in a quick-service restaurant. With a planned opening date of summer 2026, Pastabilities Unlimited will be the first drive-through pasta restaurant in Oregon, serving the only freshly made pasta prepared strictly for take-out, said Cole. Bubble waffles will be another signature item.

Pastabilities Unlimited extends KU's Medford campus south across Maple Street and along North Riverside Avenue. A former car lot surrounded by barbed wire and chain link fencing is being developed into the restaurant and surrounding community space that will ultimately provide meals on weekends to KU participants and their families. Cole calls it an "evolution of a food system at a time when our kids and families need nutrition more than ever."

Pastabilities Unlimited builds on KU's history of supporting its programs with entrepreneurship — from event production to screen-printing. Restaurant and retail sales of KU's fresh pasta will support the Food Program and embedded nutrition education, including grocery shopping and wholesome meal preparation workshops for parents. KU participants ages 14 to 20 ultimately will acquire skills to lead the organization's daily meal production and delivery, shaping their post-secondary career resumes and elevating their social consciousness and responsibility.

"It's a program that engages kids in hands-on activities," said Cole.  
"They can be part of a business incubator."



Pastabilities' pilot launch in 2025 involved KU students and alumni selling noodles at Medford's weekly farmers market, in tandem with the development of retail partners, including Rusted Gate Farm store in Central Point and The Beatrice restaurant in downtown Medford. Supervised by KU Executive Chef Nathan Herbold, KU's Food Program made thousands of pounds of pasta in its commercial kitchen for consumption in daily student meals and at special KU events. All KU Academy students are eligible for free breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Several charitable foundations have supported Pastabilities Unlimited and KU's purchase of a commercial pasta-making machine. They include Leightman Maxey Foundation, John and Nora Darby Heart Fund, Trail Blazers Foundation, Oregon Community Foundation, Carpenter Foundation and Charlotte Martin Foundation.

KU's Food Program innovation relies on community investment. Check out the quarterly menu at [kuaoregon.org/menu](http://kuaoregon.org/menu) and pledge your support for wholesome food with a recurring donation.

# KU ACADEMY ALUMNI BRING ROYAL PRIDE TO LADY PANTHERS



Two alumni of Kids Unlimited Academy and its basketball program made the varsity squad.

Freshmen Aliyah Rodriguez and Lianhe Nolasco-Garcia number among the 10 Lady Panthers composing South Medford High School's 2025-26 girls varsity basketball team. It's a first in the history of KUA, founded to break down barriers for students of poverty and its predominantly Latino student body.

"It's a representation of a longer investment in giving kids diverse opportunities to pursue activities that have helped them stay motivated in school," said Tom Cole, Lady Panthers head coach and KU chief executive officer.

Many past participants of KU Afterschool programs play for Lady Panthers Hoops Club, volunteering in KU enrichment programs and coaching and mentoring the next generation of hoopsters. Lady Panthers Hoops Club earned nationwide recognition in 2024 from Women's Sports Foundation as one of 50 organizations across the country that received grants to continue building confidence, self-esteem, perseverance and leadership among historically underserved girls.

Lady Panthers' 2024 state champs were among South Medford's most highly diverse teams — two African American players, two Native American players, one Pacific Islander and one Latina. Dozens of Lady Panthers under Cole have gone on to play college basketball, the majority of them on scholarships, including Lady Panthers assistant coach Yaremi Mejia, the first Latina in Oregon awarded an NCAA Division I basketball scholarship.

In their first varsity season, Rodriguez and Nolasco-Garcia played in prestigious, nationally recognized tournaments, traveling to Portland, Washington, California and Hawaii. The team pursues its fourth 6A state title under Cole's leadership this year, having won Oregon's 6A tournament in 2012, 2021 and 2024.



Aliyah Rodriguez



Lianhe Nolasco-Garcia



# KU BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT SCORES BIG FOR LOCAL TOURISM



Kids Unlimited's annual fundraising basketball tournament netted the most local tourism dollars in 2025 of any single sporting event.

The Southern Oregon Open, held over Mother's Day weekend, produced nearly \$1 million in tourism spending, according to the City of Medford's Rogue X 2025 annual report. That's roughly the same figure generated by four volleyball tournaments at Rogue X last year, according to the City's analysis.

"The impact of the tournament after the final horn has sounded, or the final ball has bounced, has a much greater impact for our community," said KU Executive Director Tom Cole.

With nearly 200 teams from across the West Coast and Nevada, the S.O. Open hosted 5,400 spectators and participants at Medford's Rogue X Community Complex. The complex's next largest event, March Madness Hoopfest, hosted 3,840. Although Rogue X boasts eight courts, the scale of KU's event requires gym space at local schools and KU's own facility.

The 18th annual tournament, planned for May 9-10, 2026, is sponsored by Lithia & Driveway, in addition to the City, Travel Medford and Rogue Regency Inn. Team registration fees, spectator admission, food and apparel sales and other funds raised support KU's work.

KU in 2025 operated an Asian-inspired mobile food unit at Rogue X, serving freshly made bubble waffle cones in tandem with teriyaki chicken plates. KU also offered on-demand screen-printing of T-shirts, sweatshirts and other tournament gear with the S.O. Open logos.

Boys and girls in grades 5-12 will compete for titles in their respective divisions, continuing the tradition of the inaugural event founded in 2007 by Kyle Singler. A South Medford High School alumnus, Singler incorporated his love of basketball with his senior project — founding a local basketball tournament. Singler went on to lead Duke University to an NCAA national title and played for seven seasons in the NBA.



SCAN TO LEARN MORE



# NEW MURAL BEAUTIFIES ONCE-BLIGHTED NEIGHBORHOOD

# SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL LEARNING DRIVES STUDENT SUCCESS

Kids Unlimited's latest gift to the Liberty Park neighborhood is a custom mural on its newest building.

Xavi Panneton, who specializes in painting edifices, completed a kaleidoscope-themed mural in November on KU's Carrico Building. An Ashland resident, Panneton previously installed the wrap-around exterior painting that the local community now associates with KU's Medford headquarters.

"I just wanted to give the people of this area something kind of above and beyond what we usually get," said Panneton of his first project for KU that spanned 2019 and 2020. "I would describe it less as a mural and more like architectural painting.

"The new one I did is more of a 'quote' mural," said Panneton. "I've had the local people in the neighborhood ... all yelling out the window ... saying they love it."

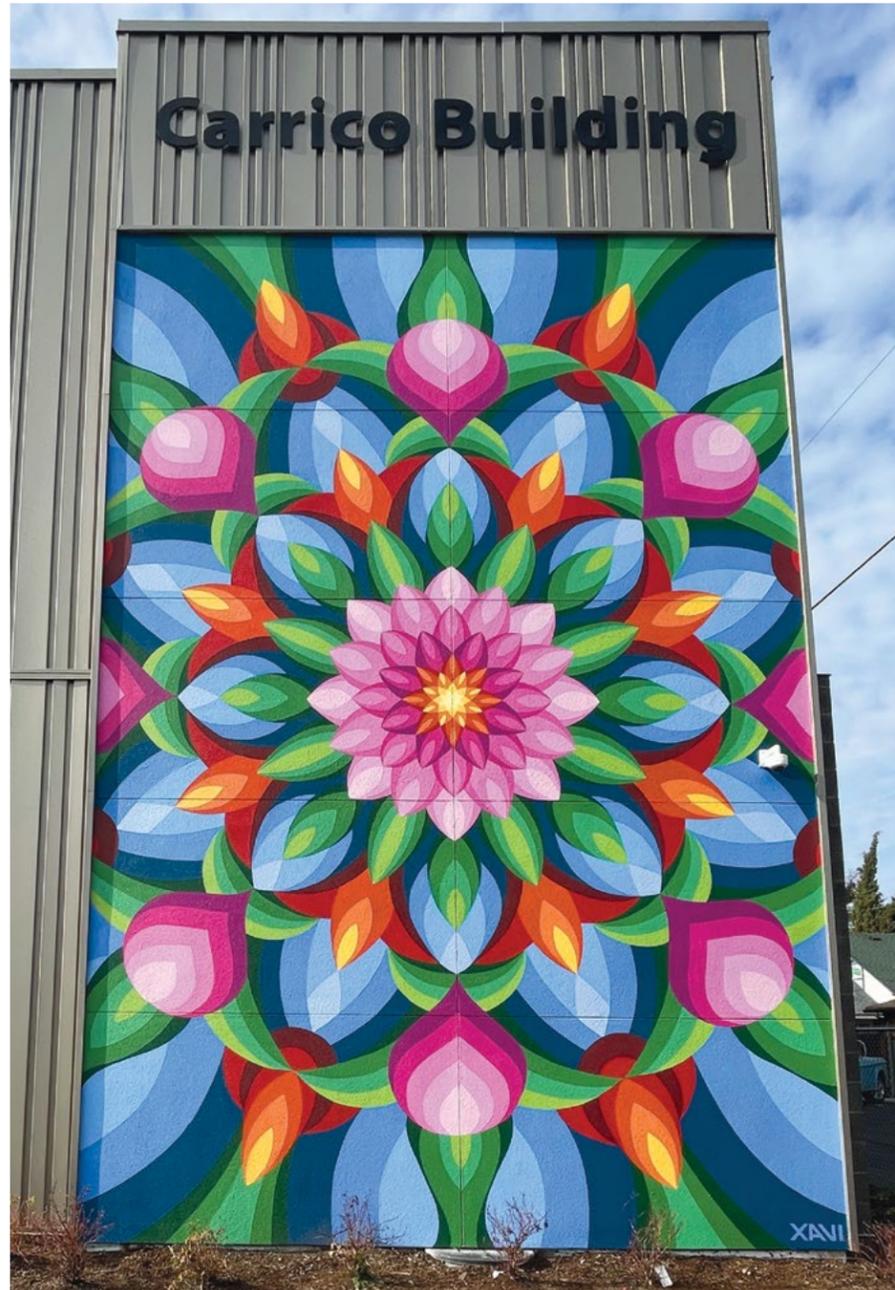
The work adorning KU's Carrico Building on Niantic Street also can be viewed as a blossoming flower, said Panneton, explaining that it loosely represents unity of the family and community. Panneton's primary medium is latex house paint, also known as architectural coating.

Most of Panneton's work can be seen outside Southern Oregon in larger American and international cities. KU's "360-degree reenvisioning" was his first big project in the region. Most recently, he was commissioned to paint the exterior of Ashland's Gambrel Annex, a large gallery space on East Main Street. The work is part of Schneider Museum of Art's exhibition "Art Beyond."

Panneton connected to KU through a friend working for the nonprofit youth development organization. He said his inspiration was the potential for, in turn, inspiring KU's participants.

"Can you imagine if you're a little kid, and you see this building?"

Liberty Park was notorious throughout the state for its rates of crime, drug use and poverty when KU brought its youth center to the neighborhood two decades ago. Completed in 2023, the two-story Carrico building replaced a blighted residence on a 10,000-square-foot parcel. Inside are KU's administrative services and community meeting spaces.



Students' success under a new social-emotional learning program is supporting all aspects of their education at Kids Unlimited Academy public charter school.

"It's fully integrated from top to bottom," said Tyrone McDonald, KUA's behavior coordinator. "There's really no missing links in this program. It goes through and refines their strengths and their weaknesses."

Ripple Effects is the SEL curriculum that KUA purchased last year with grant assistance and implemented at the start of the 2025-26 school year. The interactive, self-directed computer modules engage students in real-life situations they may be navigating with friends or family while also building essential school skills such as emotional regulation, study habits, collaboration and healthy friendships.

"All of these lessons are taught by other kids in videos, telling stories from their personal lives," said KUA Assistant Principal David Thygeson.

KUA staff and administrators say, since implementing Ripple Effects, they have observed greater student empathy, fewer behavior referrals and happier kids who engage with their community in uplifted, meaningful ways. KUA students collectively completed almost 55,000 minutes of the curriculum by the end of the fall trimester, and about 250 students were using it on a daily basis.

"It's really student-driven — it's on their Chromebooks," said McDonald. "They can get in it anytime they want."



For students who struggle with reading, the program design allows them to hear all the content, which can be translated into Spanish. Certain activities require a response, which gives students credit for completing that topic.

Reading is one of the primary pathways to social-emotional learning at KU Afterschool's nine program sites. Popular children's picture books are the starting point for weekly lessons focused on one of eight topics: self-regulation, emotional awareness, growth mindset, respect and manners, friendship, self-esteem, kindness, and empathy.

Guided "book chat" discussions before, during and after readings address SEL-specific questions. Writing prompts, creative exercises, crafts, games and social interaction then help students to put the lessons into practice individually, with partners or in small groups.

"This curriculum transforms read-aloud time into meaningful opportunities to help students develop critical social-emotional skills while enhancing their comprehension and self-expression," said KU Afterschool Program Director Judy Patterson.

# STORY OF HOPE

# KU ACADEMY ALUMNI ELIGIBLE FOR SCHOLARSHIPS



CEO of Kids Unlimited, Tom Cole, left, with Ignacio Sanchez.

“When I first was introduced to the founder of KU, Tom Cole, I was in fifth grade. It was 1995. My parents had migrated from Mexico and were working tirelessly to provide for my siblings and me, all while acclimating themselves to this foreign place that they had bravely ventured to.

“They believed this country would offer opportunity and would be a safe place where their children would have access to education. Due to the multiple jobs they worked to clothe us and put food on the table, they were unable to be home when we were released from school. My parents also initially struggled with the language barrier and were unable to assist us with our nightly homework.

“Tom recognized this and really saw families like mine. Tom began an afterschool program called the Under Ground. It was in the basement of a church. Every day after school, I would go there with my brothers. Not only were we supervised, but we also gained confidence by engaging with staff there who would assist us with our studies. It was here I experienced a feeling of welcome and acceptance as opposed to feeling like the dumb kid in the back of the room because I didn’t always understand English.

“It was my freshman year of high school when I learned of an opportunity to volunteer at the West Medford After School Program, which later merged with Kids Unlimited to become what it is today. Initially, I volunteered as an excuse to hang out with my then-girlfriend, but soon after I began, I realized it awakened gratitude and passion that was rooted deep within me.

“I was interacting with children who also had been struggling to adjust to this place. I continued to volunteer, and I ended up being the first child to graduate from high school and go on to college within my family. Eventually, I became a program manager and later a director. During my time as a director, my duties involved planning and directing sport and dance activities for the youth, engaging with parents and translating language, as well as training and supervising junior counselors.

“While this was a job, performing these tasks provided me with more than just a paycheck. It provided me with a privilege to witness a child’s recognition when they understood, gained abilities and confidence to bridge the gap and promote understanding and, finally, to continue the tradition and shared passion of being a builder of community.

“In 2008 my son was born, and Barack Obama was elected. KU welcomed the senator to speak. He and his wife, Michelle, were the first African-American president and first lady to ever occupy the White House. Change was happening. I was so proud to work at a place where acceptance and transformation was ingrained in the culture and where an optimistic sense of possibility was always tangible within the air.

“When I look at my children and I consider my own personal experience and their childhood, I recognize that I have been fortunate to have been exposed to and witnessed the transformative power of KU both personally and within its community. Kids Unlimited Academy plays an invaluable role within our community and our children’s lives. It offers opportunities and programs that, without its open doors, could be inaccessible to our youth, our future.”

– Ignacio Sanchez, Kids Unlimited Academy board member and parent

Scholarship funds are available for graduating high school seniors and college students who attended Kids Unlimited Academy.

The Charlie’s Angels scholarship fund is in its third year of assisting students whose educational journeys have taken them beyond Southern Oregon to Stanford University, Fordham University and Menlo College among other destinations. But scholarships also are open to KUA alumni continuing their education through trade schools and apprenticeships.

Awards may be used to purchase books, tools or supplies, in addition to paying tuition or program fees. Based on need and any other resources that prospective recipients may have, scholarship amounts vary but were as much as \$5,500 per student in 2025. About a dozen KU alumni have received awards.

Graduating high school seniors and students continuing their education in 2026 are eligible to apply to the Charlie’s Angels scholarship fund, created in memory of longtime KU board president Chuck Martinez. The deadline to apply is June 12, 2026.

To request an application, email Sarah Lemon, KU director of mission advocacy, at [sarah.lemon@kuaoregon.org](mailto:sarah.lemon@kuaoregon.org). Completed applications may be returned by email, mailed or delivered in person to the KUA front office, 821 N. Riverside Ave., Medford OR 97501.



Katherine Mejia, left, is a Charlie’s Angels scholarship recipient attending Fordham University in New York

## AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM NEED GROWS



A safe, supervised environment with homework assistance has defined KU Afterschool since its launch in 1998. Just three Medford elementary schools had a high-poverty student body when the program started at Oak Grove Elementary.

But KU’s adoption in 2025 of Griffin Creek Elementary indicates that just four of Medford’s 13 elementary schools are not federally designated as low-income, said KU Executive Director Tom Cole. About 528 students are enrolled in Afterschool between KU’s nine program sites; 58 at Griffin Creek.

“The principal and staff at Griffin Creek have been incredible to work with!” said KU site manager Hailey Sartain. “They have expressed many times how thankful they are for KU coming to Griffin Creek.”

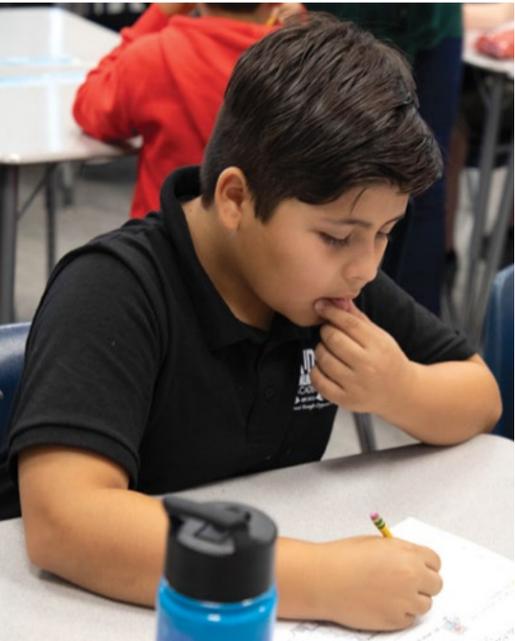
KU Afterschool provides 90 minutes per day of academic-focused activities — reading and math practice, using the same math programs implemented during students’ regular school days. Afterschool runs each school day immediately after the last bell until 6 p.m.

A variety of enrichment activities also are incorporated, including art, sports, dance, culinary arts, performing arts and music, STEM, social-emotional learning and more. KU provides freshly prepared, hot dinners at its Afterschool sites.

“We are serving families of various backgrounds and income levels with a quality program that KU has become known for,” said Sartain. “It’s a school and a group of students who have needed the structure, opportunities, fun and love that KU after school programs bring!”

As the need for KU programming increased this year, funding from government sources decreased. The monthly fees for KU Afterschool and KUA enrichment are \$250, plus a \$20 annual registration fee. Making a donation supports scholarships for KU’s high-poverty families.

# TRANSCENDING THE TEST



Growth and progress at Kids Unlimited Academy go beyond education's typical metrics.

"We're focused on the standards; that's part of the school culture," said Tom Cole, Kids Unlimited's Chief Executive Officer.

KUA students meeting Oregon mathematics standards in 2025 increased by nearly 1.5% while growth in English language arts was nearly 2%. KUA students in grades 3-5 ranked highest on 2024-25 state math and ELA assessments among local schools with large populations of Latino students.

Standards at KUA also signify conduct and values. The public charter school was founded in 2013 on the principles of integrity, respect and responsibility. Students recognize staff and each other every day with a personal greeting and a handshake to signify the school's commitment to interpersonal relationships.

"What makes us different as a school is we recognize the education landscape is changing," said Cole.

Inspiring the "holistic learner," KUA provides daily, robust instruction in music, visual arts and performing arts, disciplines that have been significantly pared back in local elementary schools. All KUA students participate in physical education every school day, meeting the state standard of 150 minutes per week, which is a rarity. And KUA's grade 3-5 students exceed the state PE standard.

KUA's curricula for academics, creative expression and fitness incorporate critical life skills, said Cole, as students learn the value of working hard, being trustworthy and showing courtesy toward others. The charter school's high-expectations, no-excuses environment encourages civic engagement and community service, said Cole.

The community is welcome to attend KUA student performances and exhibitions, from theater productions to art shows. Royal Kids Theatre puts on a fall play with three-course dinner and a spring musical. This year's musical, planned for May 2, 2026, is "Willy Wonka Jr." See [kuaoregon.org](http://kuaoregon.org) for announcements and ticket sales.

# OUR MISSION AND VISION: EQUITY TO EXCELLENCE

Twenty-eight years since our inception, Kids Unlimited continues to empower children through academic achievement and removing barriers to access and equity. In the past quarter century, KU has almost inconceivably grown from a grassroots pilot program with 50 participants to the region's largest youth development organization. Our model ensures high school graduation, college success and career readiness are reasonable goals for all students regardless of race, language, ethnicity, gender, economic status or zip code. And our kids better themselves while bettering their communities, ultimately realizing their Unlimited futures.



## Help us make a difference in 2026

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