



THE
Intergenerational
SCHOOLS



2012-2013 ANNUAL REPORT



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VISION: The Intergenerational Schools are a successful Intergenerational Learning Community that is transforming Cleveland, and the world, into a better and more just community. The Intergenerational Schools will serve as a model to encourage and assist other communities to create similar learning environments.

The Intergenerational School (TIS) and Near West Intergenerational School (NWIS), part of the Breakthrough network, feature an innovative kindergarten through 8th grade developmental curriculum that is proven to yield student achievement. Modeled with the belief that there is no better way to reinforce knowledge than to teach it to someone else, The Intergenerational Schools have multi-age classrooms that give every child the opportunity to serve as both teacher and learner. Additionally, students remain with the same teacher for multiple years, enabling teachers to get to know students' unique educational needs. Classes have a range of ages (spanning 3-4 years) and abilities, creating a dynamic and individualized learning environment. The school's developmental curriculum has students moving continuously through the developmental stages as they master objectives and benchmarks. Students move on at their own pace when they learn the necessary content and skills. After each academic year, learning starts up again where it left off, without the need to ever repeat a grade or accelerate to a level for which a student may not be fully prepared. Learning at TIS and NWIS is as natural as growing.

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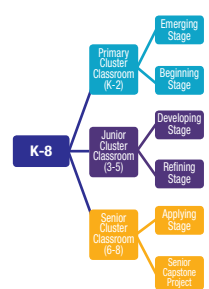
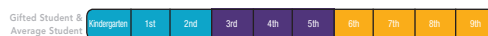
The Intergenerational Schools create, connect, and guide a multigenerational community of lifelong learners and spirited citizens.

The Intergenerational School was 1 of only 5 national finalists for the Eisner Foundation's Prize for Intergenerational Excellence in 2012.

TIS: Developmental Stages

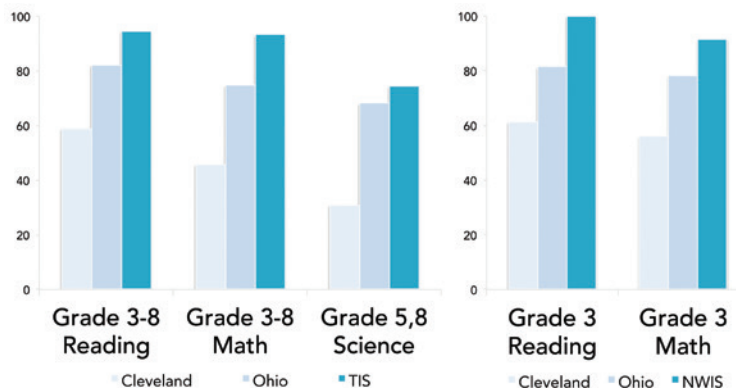


Traditional Age - based Grade Level Progression



Connections Strengthening Curriculum

Central to the Intergenerational Schools' success is the wide range of intergenerational activities in which all students participate throughout the year. TIS and NWIS involve more than 70 volunteer adult/senior reading mentors in the model's longest running program. Each student has multiple trained reading mentors who visit weekly for one-on-one reading and sharing time. Over the months and years, mentors build relationships with students and share life experiences as well as a passion for reading. Mentors adopt one or two classrooms and commit three hours, on average, per week. Most mentors are retired, local citizens age 60 and over and represent a variety of cultural and professional backgrounds. Over 3,000 volunteer hours are tracked each year from the reading mentor program alone! The results are evidenced by the school's consistently high reading scores.



TIS and NWIS students outperformed their peers in all Cleveland schools (district and charter), the state of Ohio, and high-performing suburban districts on state achievement tests last year!

Near West Intergenerational School: Growing Roots in Ohio City

When NWIS needed space to house its 2013 summer

intervention program, St. Ignatius President, Father Bill Murphy S.J. graciously opened his doors to host for the second year. Not only were the students able to learn in beautifully equipped classrooms, the staff of St. Ignatius went above and beyond to plan for outdoor play space, nutritious lunches, and an overall sense of welcoming. Father Murphy showed up on the last day of class to present St. Ignatius jerseys to each one of the children. A grateful Principal Fisher stated "everyone there acted as if we were doing them a favor, when it was clearly the other way around."

NWIS and Ohio City Writers launched an intergenerational partnership that spanned over several weeks, involving all students and many elders from both St. Augustine and Senior Citizens Resources. The goal was for the students to assist their partners in creating memoirs. Students were trained on interview techniques and developing questions for their elders. The actual interview process was a sight to see, with many amazing discussions taking place between the students and their partners. Back at school, the Primary Cluster students used captions and illustrations to document the responses, while the older Junior Cluster students used more progressive writing techniques.



Creating a Legacy at The Intergenerational School

During the spring of 2013, TIS challenged its entire lifelong learning community to participate in a 3-week event known as the Legacy Project. This brought together TIS students, parents, staff, volunteers, community partners, and participants from as far as Toronto to create legacy projects that were celebrated together at the end of the year. TIS aspiring graduates traveled to Toronto and worked with seniors at Baycrest at the Legacy Center and Arboretum. The entire school developed activities and show pieces around the theme "Dreams: Wisdom and Wishes" based on the award-winning book *Dream* by Susan Bosak. Students worked with dancers from Cleveland State University to choreograph two performances. Primary Cluster students worked with Judson Smart Living residents and song writer Judith-Kate Friedman to compose an original number that they performed live. A video was produced by Case Western Reserve University and is a national finalist in the US EPA's Rachel Carson Sense of Wonder contest. Over 500 people were involved and hundreds came to see the performances and exhibits, and to contribute to the life-sized trees made up of hand prints, hopes, dreams, and words of wisdom!



New Homes For Both Schools

TIS is the anchor tenant of a newly renovated wing of the former St. Luke's Hospital. The other two wings of the building house 130 units of affordable senior apartments. TIS will co-locate with Boys & Girls Clubs of Cleveland and a Center for Families and Children preschool, as well as the Saint Luke's Foundation and Neighborhood Progress, Inc., the nonprofit developer of the entire project. NWIS has grown out of its lower level space in Garrett Morgan High School and will move right across the shared parking lot to Kentucky School. They hope to continue their relationship with the high school students.

STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS

	The Intergenerational School	Near West Intergenerational School
Total Enrollment	224	110
Where Our Students Are From:		
Bedford	1%	0%
Berea	1%	0%
Cleveland Heights - University Heights	12%	1%
Cleveland	64%	86%
East Cleveland	2%	1%
Euclid	3%	2%
Garfield Heights	5%	0%
Lakewood	0%	5%
Maple Heights	1%	0%
Mayfield	1%	0%
North Ridgeville	0%	1%
Richmond Heights	2%	1%
Rocky River	0%	1%
Shaker Heights	3%	0%
South Euclid/Lyndhurst	1%	0%
Stow-Munroe Falls	1%	0%
Strongsville	0%	1%
Warrensville Heights	3%	0%
Westlake	0%	2%
Wickliffe	1%	0%
Our School Population		
African American	91%	59%
Hispanic	0%	12%
White	9%	26%
Other	0%	3%
Economically Disadvantaged	66%	72%
Students with Disabilities	7%	11%
Percentage of Subjects Taught by Certified Teachers	100%	100%

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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FINANCIAL REPORT

The Intergenerational School

INCOME

State	\$1,563,261
Federal	\$276,244
Philanthropy	\$257,818
Other	\$278,826

TOTAL INCOME \$2,376,149

EXPENSE

Salaries	\$1,224,444
Benefits	\$287,336
Purchased Services	\$682,693
Supplies & Materials	\$47,175
Equipment	\$48,342
Depreciation	\$977
Other	\$22,787

TOTAL EXPENSE \$2,313,754

Near West Intergenerational School

INCOME

State	\$819,337
Federal	\$209,486
Philanthropy	\$67,131
Other	\$101,311

TOTAL INCOME \$1,197,265

EXPENSE

Salaries	\$507,620
Benefits	\$124,590
Purchased Services	\$411,671
Supplies & Materials	\$55,844
Equipment	\$65,403
Depreciation	\$0
Other	\$21,242

TOTAL EXPENSE \$1,186,370

Sponsor's Legal Compliance Assessment

The Educational Service Center of Lake Erie West served as the sponsor for The Intergenerational School during the 2012-2013 school year. ESCLEW monitored the school's academic and fiscal performance, as well as the organization and operation of the school, and determined that the school was overall compliant.



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