

2016-17 ANNUAL REPORT



Citizens Academy

MAHATMA GANDHI CAMPUS

Citizens Academy, founded in 1999, was honored to become the Citizens Academy Mahatma Gandhi Campus in 2015. Taking inspiration from Gandhi, we have a strong K-5 citizenship curriculum attuned to peace and diversity, and our students adopt The CA Way as they proceed with ambition, personal responsibility, and a no excuses attitude at school. In 2011, we were named a National Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education, one of only 24 such schools in all of Cuyahoga County!

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A BREAKTHROUGH SCHOOL

Updates from our school year...

MAYOR FRANK JACKSON VISITS CA FOR ARBOR DAY

Mayor Frank Jackson visited Citizens Academy on Arbor Day to make a very special announcement: the Cleveland Tree Coalition will plant 50,000 trees in the city by 2020! After learning about the importance of increasing the tree canopy, twenty-five 5th graders joined the City of Cleveland, Western Reserve Land Conservancy, Holden Forests & Gardens, and Cleveland Tree Coalition members to plant several new trees on campus.

WOMEN IN SCIENCE

Each month, Citizens Academy students celebrate diversity, and the theme in March was Women in Science. Lining the halls through the entire month were student-written biographies of path-breaking scientists like Rachel Carson, Jane Goodall, and Alexa Canady who is the first female and African-American neurosurgeon in the U.S.

CENTER FOR TRANSFORMATIVE TEACHER TRAINING

The Center for Transformative Teacher Training (CT3) believes scholars are freed to learn when teachers give clear and concise directions, praise outstanding efforts, correct problems immediately, and form relationships with students one-on-one. This year, we implemented CT3's live coaching to train teachers in these classroom management techniques.

CA SCHOLARS PUBLISHED IN YOUNG AMERICAN POETRY DIGEST

Rhyme and meter reverberated through our halls when each student in every grade prepared a poem for the National Schools Project Poetry Contest. Four of our students had winning poems that were later published in the Young American Poetry Digest!



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79.3

OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

OUR STUDENTS ARE FROM:

Cleveland	84%
East Cleveland	6%
Cleveland Heights	4%
Euclid	3%
South Euclid	1%
Maple Heights	1%
Richmond Heights	1%
Warrensville Heights	1%
Bedford	<1%
Bratenahl	<1%
Garfield Heights	<1%
Painesville	<1%
Parma	<1%
Willoughby Hills	<1%

OUR STUDENT COMMUNITY IS:

African American	97%
White, Non-Hispanic	NC
Multiracial	3%
Economically Disad.	100%
Students with Disabilities	8%
Total Enrollment	427

% of Subjects Taught by Certified Teachers	100%
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2016-17 FINANCIALS

State	\$3,459,240
Intergovernmental	\$837,975
Tax Distribution	\$341,328
Philanthropic	\$145,903
Other	\$219,684
TOTAL FUNDING	\$5,004,130

Salaries	\$2,229,538
Benefits	\$730,969
Purchased Services	\$1,793,049
Supplies & Materials	\$279,682
Equipment	\$47,870
Depreciation	\$9,196
Other	\$45,847
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$5,136,151

FYE June 30, 2017 Unaudited Financials

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Cleveland
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Citizens Academy
CA

STATE TEST RESULTS

	OH	CMSD	CA
Performance Index	84.1	59.1	79.3
Value Added	-	-52.9	-3.2

Source: Ohio Department of Education

BOARD MEMBERS

Tom Cook

Owner, Harbor Insurance

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East Side schools for student achievement

All K-8 Schools in Cleveland, Ohio Department of Education (ODE), 2016

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Breakthrough is Ohio's best network, study says

CREDO study results
A new study by Stanford University's Center for Education Policy Studies (CREDO) has ranked Citizens Academy as the top-performing K-8 school in Cleveland, Ohio, among all schools in the state. The study, which analyzed data from the Ohio Department of Education's 2016 state assessment, found that Citizens Academy students scored significantly higher than their peers in both reading and math. The study also found that Citizens Academy students were more likely to be taught by certified teachers and to have access to advanced coursework. The study's findings are based on data from 2016, the first year of the school's new curriculum. Citizens Academy is a public charter school in the Glenville neighborhood of Cleveland. The school was founded in 2014 and currently serves grades K-5. The school's enrollment is approximately 430 students. The school's principal is Tom Cook. The school's website is citizensacademy.org.

"Breakthrough had students score so far ahead of traditional district schools in math that it was as if they had taken classes for an extra 148 days, or an extra 80 percent of a school year, CREDO reports."

Our nonprofit network of K-8 schools was ranked #1 overall in Ohio by CREDO at Stanford University.

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