



Citizens Leadership ACADEMY

A BREAKTHROUGH SCHOOL

“Our mission is to prepare our middle school students to lead in academics, service, and civic engagement during high school, college, and beyond.”

Annual Report
2017-2018



Year in Review

Citizens Leadership Academy immerses students in city life to help build academic, personal, and leadership abilities.

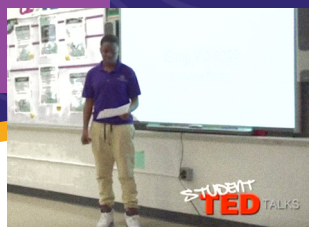
As the first Expeditionary Learning school in Northeast Ohio, our teachers make Cleveland a laboratory for learning, with students engaged in civic-minded projects that apply their reading, writing, math, and science skills. Our scholars respond so well to this approach that, as in years past, we earned a 2018 Momentum Award from the Ohio Department of Education recognizing exceptional growth in student learning.



Our sixth graders explored the personal side of human rights. After a close read of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and Katherine Applegate's *Home of the Brave*, scholars interviewed their peers at the Thomas Jefferson International Academy, wrote profiles on the child refugee experience, and created maps depicting migration routes.



CLA has a new outdoor classroom thanks to the hard work and design skills of the seventh grade. Together, seventh graders repurposed a vacant lot next door to the school using math skills and understanding of biomes to create a wonderful learning space.



The competition for favorite TED Talk got crowded when each CLA eighth grader filmed a Talk on a social justice issue dear to them. Five students presented their Talk as part of the Civic Engagement Presentation Project at Cleveland City Hall.



CLA sent 20 teachers to the EL Education National Conference in Chicago, where they learned the best practices of some of the top-ranked schools in the nation.

Academic Spotlight

+9.5

ODE Overall Student Growth (Value Add) 2017/18

Ohio Baseline

-5.2

K-8 Average Citywide District

Citizens Leadership Academy

OUR SCHOLARS ARE FROM...

Cleveland 81%
Cleveland Heights 5%
East Cleveland 5%
Euclid 5%
Garfield Heights 3%
South Euclid-Lyndhurst 1%

OUR STUDENT COMMUNITY IS...

African American: 99%
Multiracial: 1%
Economically Disadvantaged: 69%
Students with Disabilities: 21%
Total Enrollment: 261

2017/18 VOLUNTEER BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Cynthia Tancer
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BY THE NUMBERS STATE RESULTS & FINANCIALS

ODE RESULTS

Achievement
Performance Index
Progress
Value-Added

OHIO	CMSD K-8	CLA
84.2	57.4	74.2
-	-5.2	+9.5

Revenue

State Intergovernmental	\$2,203,759
Tax Distribution	\$574,259
Philanthropic	\$190,922
Other	\$539,792
TOTAL REVENUE	\$3,561,855

Expenses

Salaries & Benefits	\$2,007,799
Purchased Services	\$1,430,136
Supplies & Materials	\$103,630
Equipment	\$42,882
Other	\$30,779
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,615,226

Definitions: Achievement: The Performance Index measures the test results of every student, not just those who score proficient or higher. Progress: The Progress component looks closely at the growth that all students are making based on their past performances. Gap Closing: The Gap Closing component shows how well schools are meeting the performance expectations for our most vulnerable students in English language arts, math, graduation and English language proficiency. Source: ODE 2018

FYE June 30, 2018 Unaudited Financials