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

Our scholars are from...

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

Ode Results

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