

Annual Report 2019-2020



**E Prep &
Village Prep**
WILLARD

E Prep and Village Prep Willard is located in the Cudell neighborhood and is currently Breakthrough Public Schools' only west side campus. The Willard campus provides students with a highly structured, rigorous education to help prepare them for high school, college, and then success in life.

E Prep and Village Prep Willard focuses on building core academic proficiencies, while encouraging personal character development in areas such as determination, respect, responsibility, and self-discipline. Serving grades K-8, Willard's leaders and teachers are committed to providing scholars with a foundation that will serve them in a myriad of ways throughout their lives.



DISTANCE LEARNING

The last day of in-class instruction for all Breakthrough Public Schools was March 13, 2020, due to mandated state-wide school closures as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Academic leadership created a plan and began distance learning for Breakthrough students on April 8. Students were given a device and assistance with gaining internet connectivity in their homes, including hotspots to those families in need. On average, 87% of Breakthrough students logged in to distance learning on a weekly basis.



SPECIAL EVENTS

Scholars at E Prep and Village Prep Willard celebrated the season of giving by partnering with United Healthcare and the Cleveland Browns for a winter coat drive. A surprise guest made an appearance at the coat drive – Browns player Denzel Ward.

EPW implemented the first full year of Compass Circle, a social emotional learning program for middle school scholars that focuses on community building, forming authentic relationships, and fostering a strong sense of self and identity.



Students from EPW with perfect attendance were given a reward for their perseverance and commitment to excellence – a Video Game Truck Party!

BREAKTHROUGH
PUBLIC SCHOOLS



OUR STUDENTS ARE FROM

Bedford: <1%	Garfield Heights: 1%
Brooklyn: 1%	Lakewood: 1%
Brunswick: <1%	Parma: 3%
Cleveland: 92%	Willoughby/
Euclid: <1%	Eastlake: <1%



OUR STUDENT COMMUNITY

African American: 62%
Asian: 1%
Hispanic: 15%
Multiracial: 13%
White: 9%

Economically Disadvantaged: 81%
Students with Disabilities: 12%
Total Enrollment: 478



STUDENT RESULTS

89.3% of third grade students met their projected growth goal on the NWEA-MAP winter assessment in math.



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2019-2020 FINANCIALS

Revenue

State	\$3,657,929
Intergovernmental	\$779,096
Tax Distribution	\$286,882
Philanthropic	\$630,619
Other	\$39,043

TOTAL REVENUE \$5,393,569

Expenses

Salaries & Benefits	\$3,083,208
Purchased Services	\$1,831,894
Supplies & Materials	\$282,679
Equipment	\$-
Other	\$16,662

TOTAL EXPENSES \$5,214,443

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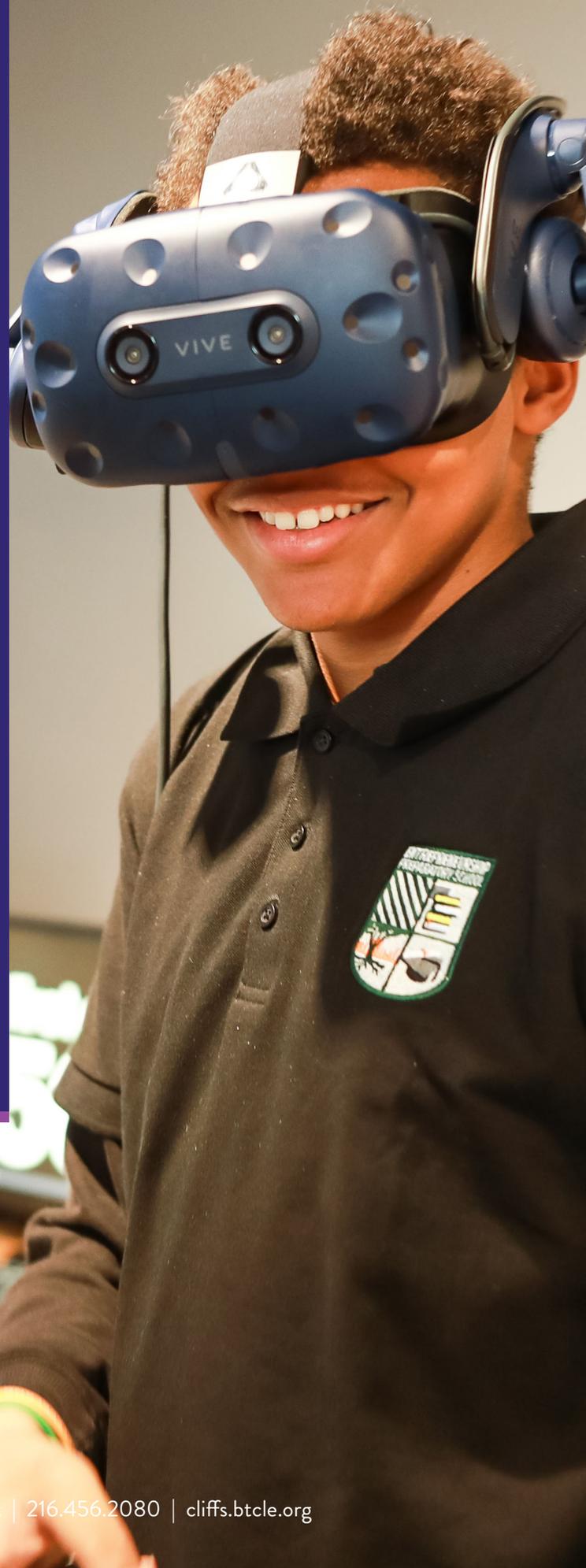
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E Prep & Village Prep CLIFFS

Breakthrough's founding Preps model campus, E Prep and Village Prep Cliffs, is located in the St. Clair-Superior neighborhood of Cleveland. The rigorous, college prep curriculum provides students with the foundation needed to achieve success in high school, college, and beyond.

Founded in 2006, Village Prep serves children in grades K-4 and E Prep serves scholars in grades 5-8. The high-performing charter school offers students a structured school culture that focuses on building core academic skills and the development of entrepreneurial character traits such as responsibility and self-discipline.



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SPECIAL EVENTS

E Prep held its first ever spelling bee for students in grades 5-8, which was organized and overseen by Mrs. Armstrong. The winner was given a trophy and bragging rights for the remainder of the school year.

The nation's first school-based 5G Innovative Learning Lab by Verizon opened at the Cliffs campus. Students were provided equipment and given access to augmented reality, 3D printing, virtual reality, and more to learn and revolutionize.



Cliffs scholars and their families were invited to participate in the first ever Fall Family Fun Fest. Carnival games, arts & crafts, concessions, and throwing pies at teachers made for an exciting night.

Village Prep Cliffs sponsored a Skate for Art event at Zelma Watson George Roller Skating Rink. Admission and raffle ticket proceeds went to the 3rd and 4th grade art program!



OUR STUDENTS ARE FROM

Akron: 1%	Maple Heights: 1%
Cleveland: 85%	Mayfield: <1%
Cleveland Heights: 2%	Richmond Heights: <1%
East Cleveland: 2%	South Euclid-Lyndhurst: 1%
Euclid: 5%	Warrensville Heights: <1%
Garfield Heights: 1%	Willoughby/Eastlake: <1%



OUR STUDENT COMMUNITY

African American: 90%
Asian: 5%
Hispanic: 2%
Multiracial: 2%
White: 1%
Economically Disadvantaged: 80%
Students with Disabilities: 12%
Total Enrollment: 796



STUDENT RESULTS

73.4% of first grade students met their projected growth goal on the NWEA-MAP winter assessment in math.



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2019-2020 FINANCIALS

Revenue

State	\$6,631,076
Intergovernmental	\$1,214,420
Tax Distribution	\$401,686
Philanthropic	\$321,526
Other	\$139,312

TOTAL REVENUE \$8,708,020

Expenses

Salaries & Benefits	\$5,026,944
Purchased Services	\$2,839,982
Supplies & Materials	\$328,108
Equipment	\$-
Other	\$39,207

TOTAL EXPENSES \$8,234,241

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**E Prep &
Village Prep**
WOODLAND HILLS

Village and E Prep Woodland Hills encourages scholars to build strong core academic skills by providing a highly structured school environment with a rigorous college prep curriculum.

Located in the Woodland Hills neighborhood of Cleveland, scholars start at Village Prep in grades K-4, and then transition to E Prep for grades 5-8. Entrepreneurial values such as determination, responsibility, and self-discipline are emphasized, as well as the importance of developing an early educational foundation for lifelong success in high school, college, and beyond.



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SPECIAL EVENTS

The Deans of Culture at Village Prep Woodland Hills organized a virtual spirit week during the school closures to inspire scholar engagement and increase student attendance! Needless to say, a variety of superheroes decided to join in the fun.

Village Prep and E Prep Woodland Hills encourage Breakthrough families to learn more about the school culture and academics their scholars engage in by offering monthly family pop-ins. Families can sit with and actively participate in their child's classrooms!



E Prep's partnership with Verizon Innovative Learning gives each 5th-8th grader a free iPad to use, along with 5GB of data. Those iPads are then used daily within the classroom for various lessons, and the scholars can take their devices home so that the learning doesn't have to stop at the end of the day!



OUR STUDENTS ARE FROM

Bedford: 1%
Cleveland: 91%
Cleveland Heights: <1%
East Cleveland: <1%
Garfield Heights: 3%
Lorain: 1%
Maple Heights: 2%
Warrensville Heights: 1%



OUR STUDENT COMMUNITY

African American: 97%
Hispanic: <1%
Multiracial: 2%

Economically Disadvantaged: 73%
Students with Disabilities: 14%
Total Enrollment: 750



STUDENT RESULTS

67.9% of kindergarten students met their projected growth goal on the NWEA-MAP winter assessment in reading.



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2019-2020 FINANCIALS

Revenue

State	\$6,560,790
Intergovernmental	\$1,628,643
Tax Distribution	\$456,587
Philanthropic	\$165,445
Other	\$232,918

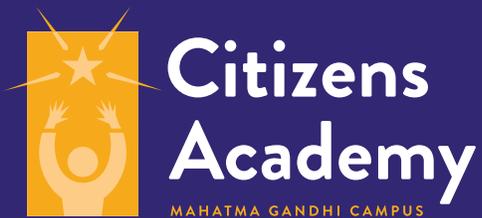
TOTAL REVENUE \$9,044,383

Expenses

Salaries & Benefits	\$4,963,071
Purchased Services	\$2,987,074
Supplies & Materials	\$317,397
Equipment	\$-
Other	\$33,519

TOTAL EXPENSES \$8,301,061

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Located in Cleveland's Glenville neighborhood, the Citizens Academy Mahatma Gandhi Campus was founded in 1999. Citizens Academy (CA) is the flagship Citizens model school and it serves grades K-5. Scholars enjoy a rigorous curriculum in an environment of high structure and high support. The CA Way includes a set of 7 virtues and behavioral expectations to help produce learners who exemplify academic excellence and responsible citizenship.



DISTANCE LEARNING

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Citizens Academy held a Black History Month Celebration during which Breakthrough families were asked to contribute their considerable talents in a showcase of singing, painting, and playing musical instruments.

Schools may have been closed but that didn't stop CA from hosting a virtual spirit week. Scholars, teachers, and families participated daily in challenges such as bring your favorite stuffed animal to "school", wear your school colors, and take a video of yourself reading.



The Annual Vocabulary Day Parade found Breakthrough scholars at Citizens Academy marching through the halls, led by a maestro, and followed by a drum corps. Each scholar received a vocabulary word and then they were asked to decorate a hat (grades K-1), dress up (grades 2-3), or decorate a poster board (grades 4-5) with that word.



Scholars at CA asked their fathers, grandfathers, brothers, and neighbors to participate in the Annual Fathers Walk. Participants received donuts, orange juice, and coffee, and spent time coloring pictures that were posted in the school's trophy case.



OUR SCHOLARS ARE FROM

Cleveland: 91%
Cleveland Heights: 1%
East Cleveland: 3%
Euclid: 3%
Maple Heights: 1%
South Euclid-Lyndhurst: 1%



OUR STUDENT COMMUNITY

African American: 96%
Hispanic: 1%
Multiracial: 3%

Economically Disadvantaged: 82%
Students with Disabilities: 12%
Total Enrollment: 369



STUDENT RESULTS

100% of kindergarten students met grade level on the NWEA-MAP winter assessment in math.



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2019-2020 FINANCIALS

Revenue

State	\$3,027,386
Intergovernmental	\$695,975
Tax Distribution	\$290,288
Philanthropic	\$197,088
Other	\$140,326

TOTAL REVENUE \$4,351,063

Expenses

Salaries & Benefits	\$2,689,214
Purchased Services	\$1,769,464
Supplies & Materials	\$130,206
Equipment	\$5,886
Other	\$22,556

TOTAL EXPENSES \$4,617,326

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**Citizens
Leadership**
ACADEMY

Citizens Leadership Academy (CLA), located in the Hough neighborhood, is the first Expeditionary Learning (EL) middle school in Cleveland. Serving students in grades 6-8, CLA focuses on building strong academic, personal, and leadership abilities in its scholars.

This is accomplished by exploring such concepts as what it means to be a civic leader and ways to practically apply knowledge gained in math, reading, science, and writing to real-life projects and problems. CLA is frequently ranked among the top schools in Cleveland for exceptional growth in student learning.



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SPECIAL EVENTS

CLA's Lady Panthers volleyball team put in blood, sweat, and tears to achieve an undefeated season. Nothing could stop them as they crushed the competition and took home the NEOCL Volleyball Championship.

For the first time ever, CLA participated in the Thurgood Marshall Oratorical Debate. Students practiced twice a week for months leading up to the debate, and in the end, they were victorious - taking home the Championship!



Over 30 fathers and father figures accompanied their scholars to school in CLA's Annual Fathers Walk. At the school, they listened to a guest speaker who discussed the importance of positive male role models in students' lives.



In December, CLA students organized and hosted the Winter Celebration of Learning. It was 100% student led, and started off with a program reviewing the first semester content projects and ended with performances by the cheerleading team and classical guitar club. Families were then invited to tour the school to see the essays, technology projects, science experiences and art projects that were displayed throughout the building.



BREAKTHROUGH
PUBLIC SCHOOLS



OUR STUDENTS ARE FROM

Avon: <1%	Garfield Heights: 2%
Cleveland: 79%	Maple Heights: 1%
Cleveland Heights: 5%	Painesville: <1%
East Cleveland: 6%	South Euclid-Lyndhurst: 1%
Euclid: 4%	Warrensville Heights: 1%



OUR STUDENT COMMUNITY

African American: 93%
Hispanic: 1%
Multiracial: 6%

Economically Disadvantaged: 57%
Students with Disabilities: 18%
Total Enrollment: 213



STUDENT RESULTS

68.4% of sixth grade students met their projected growth goal on the NWEA-MAP winter assessment in reading.



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2019-2020 FINANCIALS

Revenue

State	\$1,993,322
Intergovernmental	\$369,979
Tax Distribution	\$156,221
Philanthropic	\$150,176
Other	\$41,445

TOTAL REVENUE \$2,711,143

Expenses

Salaries & Benefits	\$1,736,370
Purchased Services	\$985,740
Supplies & Materials	\$131,087
Equipment	\$(108)
Other	\$19,339

TOTAL EXPENSES \$2,872,428

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Located on one campus in Cleveland's Glenville neighborhood, Citizens Academy East (CAE) and Citizens Leadership Academy East (CLAE) offers students in grades K-8 a robust curriculum which focuses on active citizenship and academic achievement.

CAE presents a core K-5 curriculum which encourages elements of citizenship such as responsibility and respect for the role individuals play in their community. Students at CLAE, grades 6-8, experience Expeditionary Learning with lessons that emphasize immersion in community projects and civic-mindedness. Questions such as what does it mean to be a civic leader and how one can contribute to the growth and development of their local neighborhood are studied and explored.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

The Annual Fathers Walk, sponsored by the Cuyahoga County Fatherhood Initiative, had an all-time high attendance with over 250 fathers participating in the event and Cleveland Councilman Basheer Jones making a guest appearance.

Due to school closures, CLAE held their 8th grade graduation ceremony on the school's front lawn. For the first time ever, over 60% of CLAE's graduating class received acceptance and will be attending their first choice of high performing high schools in Northeast Ohio.



CAE/CLAE put up their Annual Giving Tree for Christmas with CLAE middle school scholars decorating the tree with hats and gloves, and CAE elementary students selecting items from the tree.

As part of the Feed Cleveland event, CAE/CLAE participated in the Annual Turkey Bowl Charity Flag Football Game with Cleveland's 5th District Police Department. Food was collected and donated to local shelters and charities, and coats, hats, and gloves were collected to give to kids in need.



BREAKTHROUGH
PUBLIC SCHOOLS



OUR STUDENTS ARE FROM

CAE

Cleveland: 91%
Cleveland Heights: 1%
East Cleveland: 3%
Euclid: 3%
Maple Heights: 1%
South Euclid-Lyndhurst: 1%

CLAE

Cleveland: 76%
Cleveland Heights: 1%
East Cleveland: 16%
Euclid: 3%
South Euclid-Lyndhurst: 3%
Willoughby-Eastlake: 1%



OUR STUDENT COMMUNITY

CAE

African American: 96%
American Indian/
Alaskan Native: <1%
Hispanic: <1%
Multiracial: 2%
White: 1%

Economically
Disadvantaged: 60%
Students with Disabilities: 11%
Total Enrollment: 443

CLAE

African American: 95%
Multiracial: 5%

Economically
Disadvantaged: 59%
Students with Disabilities: 22%
Total Enrollment: 233



STUDENT RESULTS

100% of third grade students met grade level on the NWEA-MAP winter assessment in reading.



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2019-2020 FINANCIALS

Revenue	CAE	CLAE
State	\$3,422,588	\$1,870,350
Intergovernmental	\$654,318	\$277,468
Tax Distribution	\$268,713	\$117,839
Philanthropic	\$587,029	\$453,145
Other	\$100,206	\$14,652
TOTAL REVENUE	\$5,032,854	\$2,733,454
Expenses		
Salaries & Benefits	\$2,448,708	\$1,489,054
Purchased Services	\$1,888,801	\$1,002,071
Supplies & Materials	\$134,388	\$104,620
Equipment	\$-	\$30,629
Other	\$15,165	\$15,175
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4,487,062	\$2,641,549

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**Citizens
Academy**
SOUTHEAST



**Citizens
Leadership**
ACADEMY SOUTHEAST

Citizens Academy Southeast (CAS) and the newly opened Citizens Leadership Academy Southeast (CLAS) provide a high quality education option to students in the Lee-Harvard neighborhood of Cleveland.

CAS, serving grades K-5, is rooted in the CA Way, a culture which emphasizes virtues and behavioral expectations that promote strong academic and leadership skills along with good citizenship. CLAS, which served grade 6 in the 2019-2020 school year, will grow to offer a full middle school that applies an EL Education curriculum to learning and development.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Sweet singing could be heard in the hallways as America's oldest underclassmen a capella group, the Yale Spizzwinks, visited CAS and CLAS classrooms.

After much time, consideration, and planning, Citizens Leadership Academy Southeast (CLAS) opened for its inaugural year with 58 6th grade scholars. CLAS will add grade 7 in the 2020-2021 school year and grade 8 in the 2021-2022 school year.



CLAS took its inaugural field trip to the Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center (CVEEC)! Joining with CLA and CLAE, scholars enjoyed hiking, learning about environmental advocacy, and, of course, making s'mores.

CAS celebrated Black History Month with a showcase of performances by our scholars. Organized entirely by CAS teachers, this event included a solo piano and vocal performance, a piece by the CAS dance squad, and a poem recited by the CLAS scholars.



BREAKTHROUGH
PUBLIC SCHOOLS



OUR STUDENTS ARE FROM

Bedford: 2%	Orange: <1%
Cleveland: 74%	Parma: <1%
Cleveland Heights: 1%	Richmond Heights: <1%
Euclid: <1%	South Euclid-Lyndhurst: 1%
Garfield Heights: 5%	Warrensville Heights: 7%
Maple Heights: 8%	



OUR STUDENT COMMUNITY

African American: 97%
Hispanic: <1%
Multiracial: 2%

Economically Disadvantaged: 53%
Students with Disabilities: 9%
Total Enrollment: 511



STUDENT RESULTS

74.6% of third grade students met their projected growth goal on the NWEA-MAP winter assessment in math.



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2019-2020 FINANCIALS

Revenue

State	\$3,912,444
Intergovernmental	\$625,396
Tax Distribution	\$148,255
Philanthropic	\$1,254,825
Other	\$90,519

TOTAL REVENUE \$6,031,439

Expenses

Salaries & Benefits	\$3,074,146
Purchased Services	\$2,398,573
Supplies & Materials	\$328,752
Equipment	\$-
Other	\$21,924

TOTAL EXPENSES \$5,823,395

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