

Constellation Community Schools



ELYRIA COMMUNITY SCHOOL

2004-2005 ANNUAL REPORT
2005-2006 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Mission Statement

Elyria Community School

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Mission Statement

Constellation Community Schools creates and provides diverse superior educational opportunities for a community of learners, built on a foundation of character education in a safe environment ensuring the success of all children in our advancing technological society.

Vision Statement

Constellation Community Schools will create a premiere learning community characterized by high expectations and academic excellence.

Our Students will be engaged in the process of learning and will become responsible citizens. They will be life long learners, technologically proficient, and perform to their maximum potential.

Our parents will be positively engaged in the education of their children and be participants in school activities.

Our personnel will be committed, competent, compassionate individuals who will consistently exemplify the highest ethical and professional standards.

Our management team will provide superior leadership, resources and support to facilitate the daily operations of our schools.

Our board of directors will guide the organization in creating a culture of excellence and success.



Kindergartener's display their artwork during Charter School Week

On the Cover:

Pictured:

Doug T. and Tarrie B.
share a book

Kindergarten:
Ms. Simboli

Values Statement

As a school of choice, we believe all children deserve a superior education in a safe, caring, nurturing environment. We will create a community of learners where children excel, become responsible citizens, and are exposed to the highest ethical standards.

Organization Slogan

Constellation Community Schools –
The Right Choice for Parents and a Real Chance for Children.

Constellation Community Schools and Elyria Community School admit students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin and will not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, disability, age or gender in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, hiring and employee retention policies, scholarship and loan programs and athletic and other school administered programs.

Chairman's Message



*Richard Lukich
Chairman*

The 2004/2005 school year was a tremendous success for Constellation Community Schools as we continued our growth as an organization; saw improvement in overall student performance; and, enjoyed an increase in parent participation. In addition, two of our schools received “Effective” ratings from the Ohio Department of Education, while our other schools were each rated “Continuous Improvement.” These are impressive accomplishments for schools that have existed, on average, less than five years.

Opening four new schools, while continuing to provide high quality support for our existing seven schools, proved to be a real challenge. The fact that two of the new schools were designed to meet the specialized needs of cognitively gifted students added significantly to that challenge. However, through everyone’s hard work, we brought high quality, safe learning environments to many students who have been underserved or ignored in the past.

System-wide, Constellation now employs more than 200 people who are dedicated to meeting the needs of the nearly 2,000 children that we will serve in the coming school year. We continue to hire only highly qualified, state licensed or certified teachers, and provide all of our employees with significant opportunities for professional growth and development.

During our recent strategic planning sessions, we updated our Mission Statement to more accurately reflect our philosophy, beliefs and goals:

Constellation Community Schools creates and provides diverse superior educational opportunities for a community of learners, built on a foundation of character education, in a safe environment ensuring the success of all children in our advancing technological society.

Our goals are to create premier learning environments for our students and staff and to create the premier charter school organization. Achieving these lofty goals will not be easy, however, we are certain it will be worth the effort.

It continues to be our privilege to serve the students who rely on us to prepare them for future success, and the parents who have entrusted us with their children.

Board Members



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Constellation Board of Education

Richard Lukich, Chairman

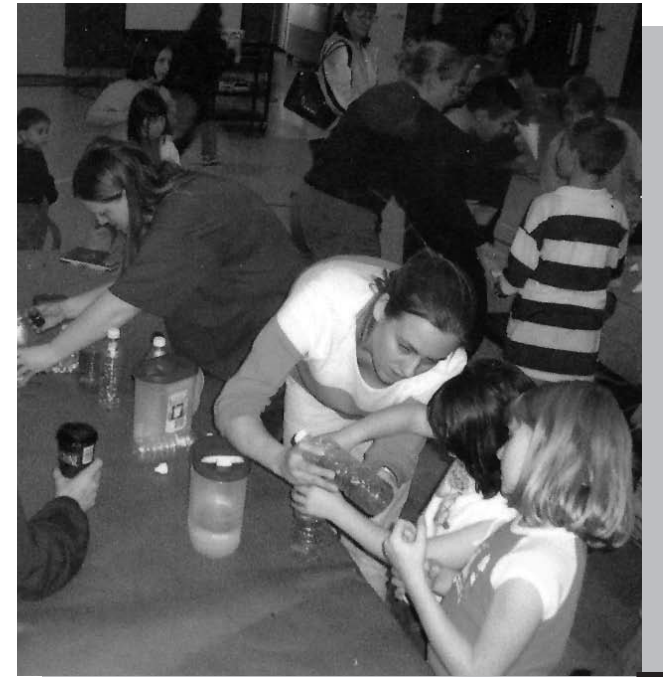
Daniel Ziemba, Secretary

Gerald Preseren, Executive Director

Wally Chmielewski, Community Member

Rebecca Keeney, Community Member

John Noga, Community Member



McKayla J. and students enjoy making wave bottles during Charter School Week

Elyria Community School Staff

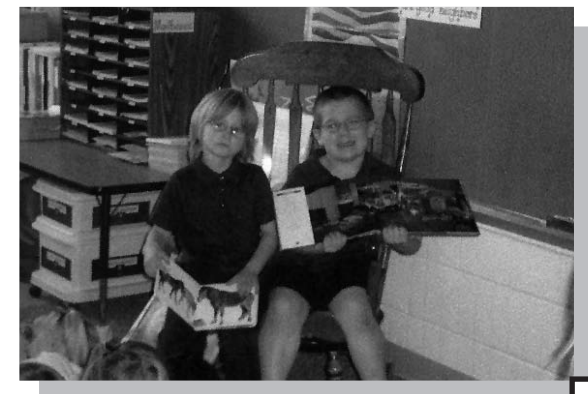
Elyria Community School Staff

Jennifer Cairns, *Principal*
Katie Gallagher, *Administrative Assistant*
Tammy Rodriguez, *Secretary*
Denise Smith, *Kindergarten Teacher*
Jacque Simboli, *Kindergarten Teacher*
Sarah Monahan, *1st Grade Teacher*
Sue Stevens, *1st Grade Teacher*
Nancy Zillmann, *2nd Grade Teacher*
Tina Bartlome, *2nd Grade Teacher*
Lee Henderson, *3rd Grade Teacher*
Becky Sklenar, *3rd Grade Teacher*

Kristine Burns, *4th Grade Teacher*
Heather Shepherd, *5th Grade Teacher*
Megan Hanna, *6th Grade Teacher*
Cathie Chapman, *Title One*
Tara Toot, *Special Education Teacher*
Melissa Scott, *Music Teacher*
Vicki Fritz, *Teaching Assistant*
Melissa Martin, *Teaching Assistant*
Robert Humphries, *Teaching Assistant*
Kim Simons, *Instructional Aide*
Dawn Hoffman, *Instructional Aide*

Constellation Administrative Staff

Gerald Preseren, *Executive Director*
Karen Shepherd, *Compliance / Oversight*
Lisa Vinarcik, *Administrative Assistant*
Karen Florian, *Human Resources*
Jeffrey Soltis, *Facilities Operation Manager*
Thomas Babb, *Treasurer*
Roy Zeman, *Educational Services Coordinator*
Carol Kuegeler, *Health Services Coordinator*
Jennifer Hodgson, *School Psychologist*
Jill Teresczuk, *Speech Pathologist*
Amanda Stricker, *Speech Pathologist*
Gary Schaefer, *Technology Manager*
Randall Kufel, *Technology Specialist*
Daniel Kovach, *Technology Specialist*
Thomas Baker, *Lucas County Sponsor*
Stephanie Cutlip, *Gifted Coordinator*



Constellation Community Schools & History

Constellation Community Schools

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Parma Community School (est. 2000)

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Parma — Middle
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Parma, Ohio 44130
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Lorain Community School (est. 2001)

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201 West Erie Street
Lorain, Ohio 44052
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Mansfield Community School (est. 2002)

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Elyria Community School (est. 2001)

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Puritas Community School (est. 2003)

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Cleveland, Ohio 44135
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Westpark Community School (est. 2001)

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16210 Lorain Road
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Greater Cleveland Academy for Gifted

Jane Hackett (est. 2004)
3200 West 65th Street
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Old Brooklyn Montessori School (est. 1998)

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Madison Community School (est. 2004)

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Lorain Academy for Gifted (est. 2004)

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Stockyard Community School (est. 2004)

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Constellation School Sponsor

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Lucas County Educational Service Center
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Constellation History

Constellation Community Schools is an Ohio nonprofit corporation, and IRC 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization, that was established in 1999 to create and operate high quality community (charter) schools offering a superior, safe learning environment. Currently there are eleven (11) schools in Constellation's community of schools: Old Brooklyn Montessori School, Parma Community School, Westpark Community School, Lorain Community School, Elyria Community School, Mansfield Community School, Puritas Community School, Madison Community School, Stockyard Community School, Greater Cleveland Academy for Gifted Students and Lorain Academy for Gifted Students.

Our learning communities are characterized by small classes of no more than twenty students, high expectations, involved parents and engaged students. We provide safe and secure buildings; the best available curriculum; current textbooks; and, extensive use of computers and other technology. Constellation Community Schools hires only highly qualified, state-certified/licensed teachers and provides extensive and on-going professional development for all personnel.

Character education is the cornerstone of our program. Students are expected to adhere to a demanding code of behavioral conduct, including a dress code, and are held accountable for their actions through a comprehensive and strict disciplinary policy.

Parents are expected to be active participants in the education of their children, support school policies, supervise homework, and attend conferences.

Education Plans/Programs

Educational Plan

To ensure its students are prepared for the state-mandated Proficiency and Achievement Tests, Elyria Community School (ECS) chose the Ohio Model Competency-Based Educational Program as the basis for its curriculum. The ECS program includes language arts, social studies, citizenship, sciences, mathematics, art, music and physical education. The Saxon Phonics Program is initiated in the K-3 curriculum to increase early literacy.

ECS provides a non-competitive physical education program through instruction provided by a physical education teacher. Music is provided to all students culminating in a school-wide musical performance. Art is integrated throughout the curriculum through a variety of opportunities to explore different materials and tools.

Some of the activities this year include:

Young People's Academic and Athletic Program (YPAA): This year our 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade students participated in YPAA, a program that teaches positive self-esteem and good behavior through martial arts training, thanks to the generous support of our parent organization.

Reading Motivation:

Tutoring for the Proficiency Test was provided for grades 3-6 on selected evenings after school and on the weekends. Two book fairs were sponsored by our parent organization to supplement reading materials in the home and to boost interest in reading for fun. Pizza Hut's "Book It" program and Dr. Seuss' birthday celebration also increased interest in reading.

Junior Achievement:

A work-study contract was secure through Lorain County Community College (LCCC) to provide instructors for the program this year. Eight lessons were taught instructing each class in local economic processes.

Ohio Reads:

The Ohio Reads program was implemented to improve student reading performance through individual reading instruction. Through efforts of the parent organization, LCCC college students made visits to ECS for supplemental instruction.

Other Activities at ECS:

- Spring Music Program: *Go Fish and From the Inside Out*
- Constellation Community Basketball
- Performance of "Aesop's Fables"
- K-9 Anti-Drug Unit/Red Ribbon Week



Ethan S. gets help peeling apples from a parent volunteer

- Thumb Buddy I.D. Cards
- 100th Day of School celebration
- The Cleveland Museum of Art field trip
- Apple Hill Orchard field trip
- Halloween Parade
- Gedde Fruit Farm field trip
- Chuck E. Cheese Family Fun Night
- Splash Zone Family Fun Night
- The Cleveland Museum of Natural History field trip
- Family Reading Night
- 4th, 5th, and 6th grade dance
- The Cleveland Zoo and Rainforest field trip
- Charter School Week



Dylan J., Jill R., Michael L., Desiree Y. and Kain G. take a break at the dance!

Character Education

Elyria Community School is proud to model positive character traits through our Character Education Program. Activities, literature and lesson plans are based on character themes and teachers are encouraged to integrate and reinforce these concepts throughout the year. Every six weeks a specific education theme is implemented. For the 2005-2006 school year, the themes will be as follows:

Introduction of Character Traits: August 23 - August 26

Responsibility: August 29 - October 7

Respect: October 10 - November 18

Trustworthiness: November 21 - January 20

Fairness: January 23 - March 3

Caring: March 6 - April 21

Citizenship: April 26 - June 6

Teachers will track student progress with passports, display bulletin boards with character education themes, have students recite the Character Education Pledge and recognize student accomplishments both in the classroom and at assemblies. Assemblies will be held at the beginning of each six week interval to introduce the new trait. Students who hold a 95% or higher success rate are awarded certificates and pencils during the assembly. During each assembly different classes will demonstrate knowledge of the trait through skits, songs or other activities to share with the student body. Throughout the school posters list the school rules with which character traits they are exemplifying.



Members of the ECS basketball team work hard together!



Student Council Members Sarah A., Dante L. and Aaron R. display food collected to support Lorain County charities.

Staff/Student Demographics

The entire teaching staff at Elyria Community School have professional certificates and meet the “Highly Qualified Requirements” of the No Child Left Behind Act.

All three teaching assistants are professionally licensed and two are working toward their master’s degrees.

Elyria Community School opened in the year 2000 with only seven staff members. Since this time the staff has grown to include 21 daily staff members as well as three supplemental instructors in the building during the week.



Back Row: Sarah Monahan, 1st grade teacher; Denise Smith, kindergarten teacher; Lee Henderson, 3rd grade teacher; Nancy Zillmann, 2nd grade teacher; Tara Toot, special education teacher; Becky Sklenar, 3rd grade teacher.

3rd Row: Cathie Chapman, Title One; Katie Gallagher, Administrative Assistant; Tammy Rodriguez, secretary; Kim Simons, instructional aide; Megan Hanna, 6th grade teacher; Dawn Hoffman, instructional aide; Robert Humphries, teaching assistant.

2nd Row: Melissa Scott, music teacher; Vicki Fritz, teaching assistant; Heather Shepherd, 5th grade teacher; Kristine Burns, 4th grade teacher; Sue Stevens, 1st grade teacher; Jacque Simboli, kindergarten teacher.

1st Row: Melissa Martin, teaching assistant; Jennifer Cairns, Principal; Tina Bartlome, 2nd grade teacher.

Student Information

About Our Students

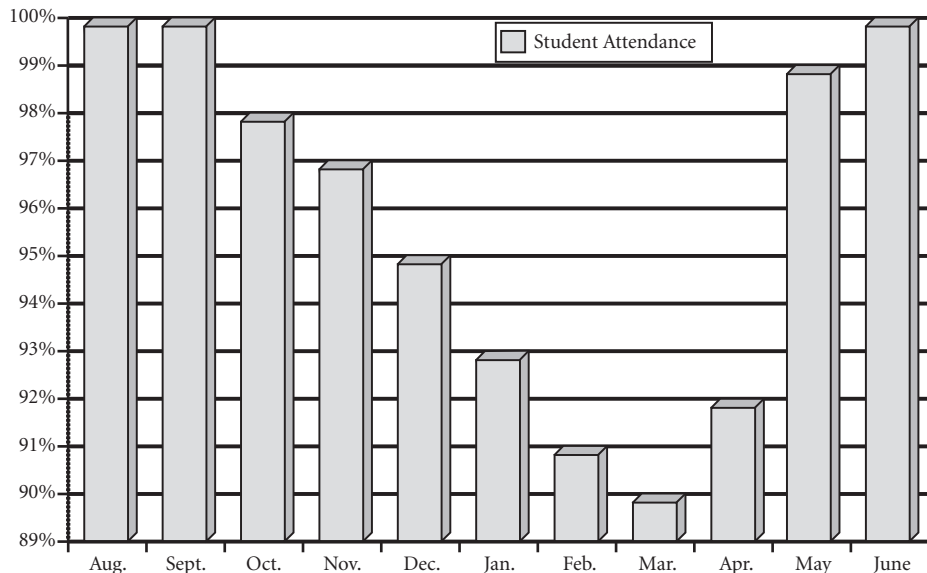
During the 2004-2005 school year Elyria Community School served 200 students in grades K-6. Students at Elyria Community are taken on a first come, first served basis during the first two weeks of December. Those student who are currently enrolled are ensured a place for the following school year if they enroll during these two weeks. If more students apply than there are spots, a lottery is held and a waiting list is formed. The contract Elyria Community has with the Ohio Department of Education allows us to have only two classes at each grade level and no more than twenty students per class. If a student is retained in a grade we are permitted to have up to 22 students in a class but those two additional students must be retained from the previous school year.

Enrollment

BOYS: 55% GIRLS: 45%

RACE: White: 73% African-American: 15% Other: 12%

Students Eligible for Low Income: 38% Attendance Percent for the Year: 96%



HOME SCHOOL NOTIFICATION

The school is a public school and students enrolled in and attending the school are required to take proficiency tests and other examinations prescribed by law. In addition, there may be other requirements for students at the school that are prescribed by law. Students who have been excused from the compulsory attendance law for the purpose of home education as defined by the Administrative code shall no longer be excused for that purpose upon their enrollment in a community school.

Professional Development

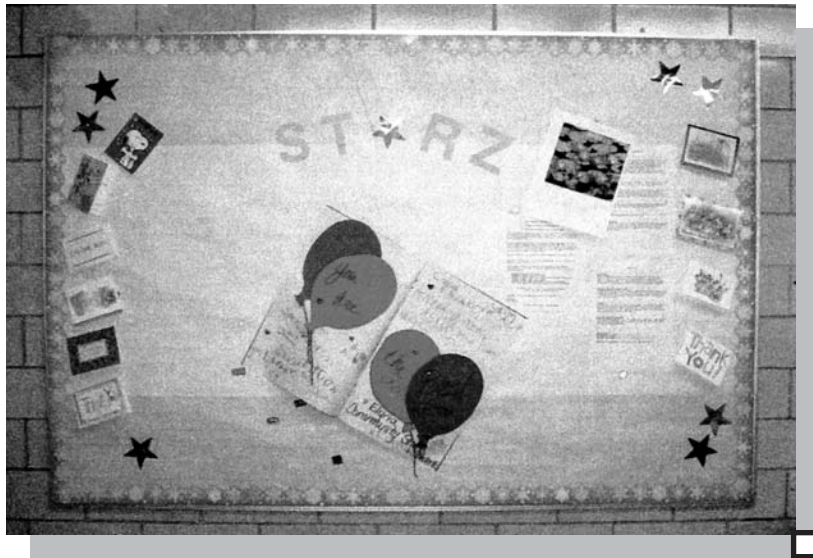
7/2/04	Jennifer Cairns	Creating Peaceable Classrooms	Ashland University
7/2/04	Denise Smith	Creating Peaceable Classrooms	Ashland University
7/30/05	Jennifer Cairns	Progress Book Special Education Training	NCOCC
8/9/05	New Staff	Orientation, Positive Discipline, Child Abuse Training	CCS
8/10/05	New Staff	Saxon/DIBELS Training	CCS
8/11/05	All Staff	Community Schools, Playground Safety	CCS
8/12/05	All Staff	Proficiency Achievement, Special Education In-Service	CCS
8/13/05	All Staff	Character Education, Make It Take It	CCS
8/16/05	All Staff	Pathwise, Praxis Orientation	CCS
8/17/05	All Staff	Pathwise, Classroom Strategies	CCS
10/24-25/05	Jennifer Cairns	OAESA Leadership Workshop	OAESA
11/17/04	Jacque Simboli	Kindergarten Readiness	BER
1/7/05	Jennifer Cairns	ABC Disorders: Asperger's Syndrome, Bi-Polar & Conduct Disorders	DRI
1/7/05	Suzanne Stevens	ABC Disorders: Asperger's Syndrome, Bi-Polar & Conduct Disorders	DRI
1/7/05	Melissa Martin	ABC Disorders: Asperger's Syndrome, Bi-Polar & Conduct Disorders	DRI
1/12/05	Jacque Simboli	Kindergarten Readiness	BER
1/31/05	Sarah Monahan	First Grade Teacher Conference	SDE
2/7/05	Jennifer Cairns	Train-the-Trainer for Smart Boards	SES
2/7/05	TaraToot	Train-the-Trainer for Smart Boards	SES
2/7/05	Rob Humphries	Train-the-Trainer for Smart Boards	SES
2/7-8/05	Lee Henderson	Third Grade Teacher Conference	SDE
2/7-8/05	Becky Sklenar	Third Grade Teacher Conference	SDE
2/14-15/05	All Staff	Ohio SchoolNet State Technology	SchoolNet
2/16/05	Lee Henderson	Effective Comprehension Strategies Into Guided Reading Instruction	BER
2/16/05	Becky Sklenar	Effective Comprehension Strategies Into Guided Reading Instruction	BER
3/22/05	Heather Shepherd	The Chronically Disruptive Student	BER
3/22/05	Nancy Zillmann	Writing Instruction That Gets Results	SDR
4/14/05	Megan Hanna	Maximize Your Student's Writing Achievement	BER
4/14/05	Heather Shepherd	Maximize Your Student's Writing Achievement	BER
4/17-19/05	All Staff	2005 Ohio Charter Schools Conference	OCSA

STARZ of Elyria Community School

Elyria Community School Parent Organization (STARZ) is committed to providing a positive connection between parents, students and school staff. STARZ organizes fundraisers and school activities that provide educational and fun activities for the student body and staff.

President: Alicia Twinning
Vice President: Shelly Dubena
Secretary: Heather Gurchik
Treasurers: Patti Skinner

Labels Coordinator: Gina Davidson
Pizza Day Coordinator: Lisa Delisanti
Book Mobile Coordinator: Julie Moen
Book Fair Coordinator: Shannon Cajka



Thank you cards, notes and letters to STARZ from parents, students, and E.C.S. staff, for a job well done.

STARZ (Parent Group) Fundraisers

- Home Interiors Candle Sales
- Hungry Howie's Pizza Certificates
- Joe Corbi's Pizza & Cookie Dough Sales
- Suzanne L's Chocolates
- Zap-A-Snack
- Soy Candle Sales
- Monthly Pizza Lunches
- Burger King Family Night

Programs Facilitated by STARZ

- Pennies for Pets
- Box Tops for Education
- Campbell's Soup Labels
- Pull-tabs for Ronald McDonald House
- Family Reading Night
- Pennies for Patients: Leukemia Society
- Tsunami Relief Fund collection
- Family Fun Nights: Splash Zone, Chuck E. Cheese

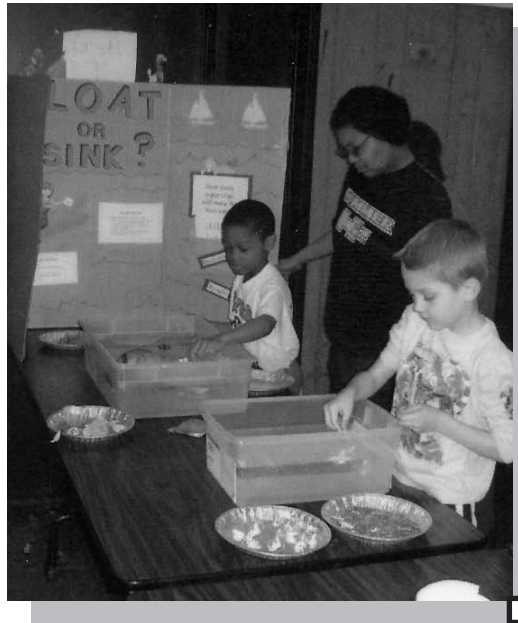
Parental Involvement



Parent Volunteer Mrs. B. helps Alexys K. in kindergarten.

Events Supported by Fundraiser Profits

- In-School Presentations
- Transportation for Field Trips
- YPAA Karate Program
- End of the Year Picnic & Field Day
- Charter School Week “Wave Night”
- End of the Year T-shirts for all Students
- AED/CPR Training for Staff
- Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week
- Library Fund



Quincey W. and Spencer C. enjoy activities at “Wave Night”

Over 900 Hours of Parent Volunteer Service

- Scholastic Book Fairs
- Election Day Bake Sale
- Field Trip Supervision
- Bookmobile Supervision
- Halloween Parade
- Student Tutoring
- Classroom Parties/Room Parents
- Monthly Pizza Day
- Office Assistance
- Basketball Program
- Field Day
- 4th, 5th, 6th Grade In-School Dance

State Testing Results

Elyria Community School Proficiency Test Results

4th Grade					
	Math	Citizenship	Science	Reading	Writing
2004-2005	27%	53%	27%	53%	67%
2003-2004	50%	39%	50%	50%	61%
2002-2003	29%	43%	14%	21%	43%

6th Grade					
	Math	Citizenship	Science	Reading	Writing
2004-2005	27%	53%	27%	53%	67%
2003-2004	---	---	---	---	---
2002-2003	---	---	---	---	---

Ohio's report cards have been revised to include requirements in the federal No Child Left Behind Act, such as Adequate Yearly Progress and the inclusion of all students with disabilities and Limited English Proficient students. Visit www.ode.state.oh.us/reportcard or call 1-877-644-6338 for more detailed information.

Stanford Testing Results

KINDERGARTEN

	Fall 04		Spring 05	
	National Mean	Group Performance	National Mean	Group Performance
Reading	44.7	40.5	61.6	71.6
Math	41.9	35.4	53.9	57.5

GRADE 4

	Fall 04		Spring 05	
	National Mean	Group Performance	National Mean	Group Performance
Reading	44.4	39.4	51.2	52.5
Math	50.1	50.5	58.4	65.6

GRADE 1

	Fall 04		Spring 05	
	National Mean	Group Performance	National Mean	Group Performance
Reading	63.4	74.6	57	63.6
Math	56.6	62.5	58.1	65.6

GRADE 5

	Fall 04		Spring 05	
	National Mean	Group Performance	National Mean	Group Performance
Reading	42.2	35.4	43.6	38.4
Math	44.8	40.5	44.7	40.5

GRADE 2

	Fall 04		Spring 05	
	National Mean	Group Performance	National Mean	Group Performance
Reading	49.8	50.5	48.1	46.5
Math	44.3	39.4	45.3	41.5

GRADE 6

	Fall 04		Spring 05	
	National Mean	Group Performance	National Mean	Group Performance
Reading	39.1	30.4	44.8	40.5
Math	43	37.4	40.8	38.4

GRADE 3

	Fall 04		Spring 05	
	National Mean	Group Performance	National Mean	Group Performance
Reading	30.4	18.3	53.2	54.5
Math	40.2	32.4	59.2	67.6

Elyria Community School
administered the Stanford Achievement Tests
in September and May.

Community Involvement

One of the major focuses of a Constellation Community School is to impart the value of caring and helping within one's community. The children who attend Elyria Community School are encouraged to participate within their community. As a school, the students participated in several projects this year.

Community Outreach

- Visit to Abbewood Retirement Center and providing senior citizens with “care packages” throughout the year
- Pennies-for-Pets supporting the Lorain County Humane Society
- Pennies-for-Patients supporting the Leukemia Society
- Pull tabs supporting the Ronald McDonald House
- Food collections for Harvest for Hunger, Lorain County Charities
- Donations made to the Tsunami Relief Fund
- Sending letters of encouragement to soldiers overseas
- Annual Elyria Halloween Parade

School/Community Involvement

- Ohio Reads
- Junior Achievement
- Spring Music Program supported by Church of the Nazarene
- Ashland University Field Experience students
- Local Bookmobile Service
- Student participation of daily cleanup of classrooms and school grounds
- Student Safety Patrol
- Parent/student spring clean-up day



Wayla B. and Caycee M. work together to complete a project.



Mrs. Smith's kindergarten's hard at work!

Financial Report For Fiscal Year 2005

Highlights for the Year

- 3rd annual audit by the Auditor of State with an “unqualified opinion” (best opinion available)
- Purchase of the former Allen School building at 300 North Abbe Road stabilizes facility expenses.
- Walton Family Foundation grant awarded at the end of 2004 was used to purchase classroom technology, equipment and materials

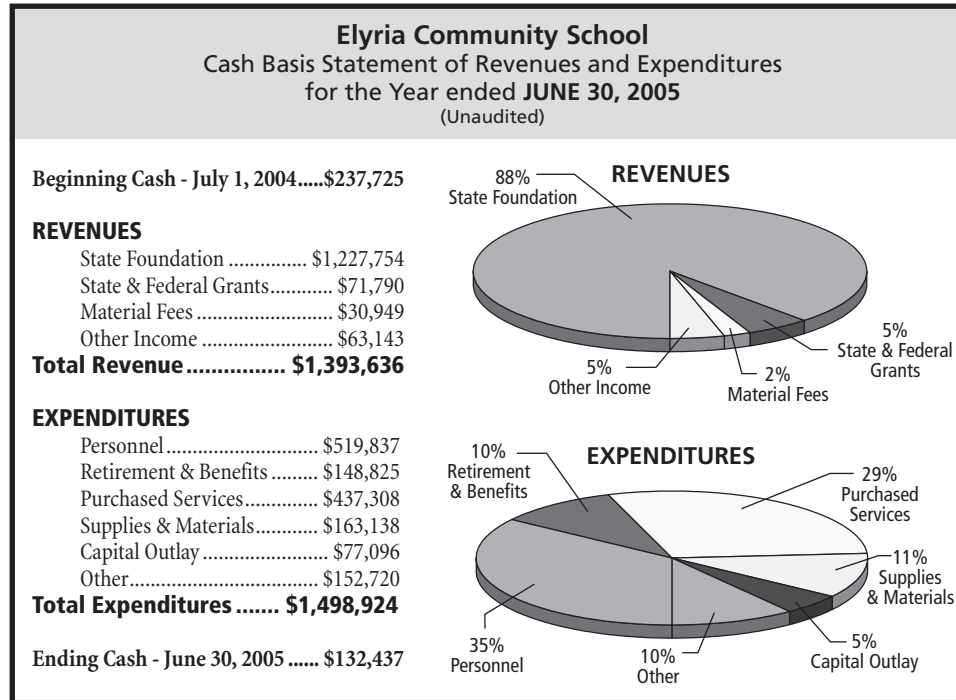
The Cash Basis Report of Revenues and Expenditures for the Year ended June 30, 2005 reflects the activities of Elyria Community School during the year. This is a report of the operations for the year and therefore does not include the purchase of the former Allen School building at 300 North Abbe Road for \$1,200,000 and the financing secured for the purchase. The information provided below refers to this report and the accompanying graphs.

Revenues

The largest source of operating revenue (88%) comes from the State of Ohio School Foundation Program. This funding is earned at a base rate of \$5,169 for each student enrolled during the year. Additional funds are provided for the special needs of students, the poverty level of the community in which each student resides, and other adjustments.

State and Federal Grants (5%) supplement school operations for specific purposes. Elyria Community School received grants for Title I Reading, Professional Development, Technology, Safe and Drug Free Schools, Innovative Programs, Special Education, Student Intervention, Entry Year Teacher Mentoring, Statistical Reporting (EMIS), and Electronic Communications.

Materials Fees (2%) are collected from each student to provide consumable materials used during the year.



Other income (5%) includes interest earned on bank account activity, building rental and other miscellaneous items.

Expenditures

Personnel services, combined with retirement and benefits, accounted for 45% of the expenditures for the year. These expenditures include principal, support staff and teachers; state retirement systems, employment taxes and health insurances.

Purchased services (29%) include expenditures for specialty teachers (music and physical education), student support services (speech, psychologist, health, physical therapy and occupational therapy), field trips, professional development, management services, facility operations, equipment repairs, telephone, postage, travel, marketing and printing.

Supplies and materials (11%) include

textbooks, instructional supplies, testing materials, office supplies, medical supplies, instructional software and maintenance supplies.

Capital Outlay (5%) includes purchases of equipment, furniture and building renovations.

Other (10%) includes audit fees, mortgage debt service, bank fees, insurances (property, liability, fidelity bond, director/officer), dues and subscriptions and miscellaneous.

Additional Information

A more detailed set of financial statements may be obtained by calling (216) 635-1881, writing to the Treasurer, Constellation Community Schools, 3326 Broadview Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44109 or by e-mail at the following address: babb.thomas@constellationschools.com.

During the fall of 2005 the Auditor of State will audit the financial records of the school and issue an audit report. The audit report should be available in early 2006 on the Auditor's website: www.auditor.state.oh.us.