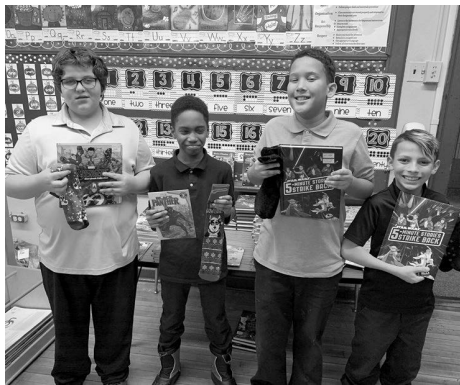




# Mission, Vision, Value Statements & Slogans

## Mission

Constellation Schools provides every child an opportunity to obtain an excellent education built on a foundation of character education for life long success.



## Value

**We** believe all children deserve an exceptional education in a safe, caring, nurturing environment.

**We** will create a student focused community of global learners where children excel, are responsible, ethical world citizens, prepared for success in career, college and life.

## Organization Slogan

*The Right Choice for Parents  
and a Real Chance for Children!*

## Vision

Constellation Schools will create an exceptional learning community characterized by high expectations and academic excellence.

**Our** students will be actively engaged life-long global learners and be responsible, compassionate involved world citizens.

**Our** families will support their children and school as important, welcomed members of our diverse learning community.

**Our** teachers will be inspiring, compassionate and committed to the success of every student.

**Our** leaders will provide superior service, resources, and support to engage the community and ensure the success of every student.

**Our** Board of Directors will guide our school in creating a culture of excellence that ensures the success of every student.

## Character Education Slogan

*Remember*

*We all have Choices.*

*Choices have Consequences.*

*Be Smart and Make the Right Choice!*



# Constellation Schools & Its History

## **A Beginning**

Constellation Schools evolved from the desire of a small group of individuals to open a Montessori school in Cleveland's Old Brooklyn neighborhood. After a lot of hard work and many community meetings held over the course of two years, a change in Ohio law establishing community schools (or "charter schools") lead to the creation of Old Brooklyn Montessori School (OBCE). OBCE opened in August of 1998 with three employees and 27 students.

## **The Purpose of Constellation Schools**

Constellation Schools is an umbrella management organization, providing business, administrative, educational and financial support services to its managed schools. This structure allows these overhead expenses to be spread over all the schools, reducing the financial burden on individual schools. With Constellation performing most of the administrative functions, the building principals and teachers are freed up to do what they do best – educate children. Administrative centralization also eliminates duplicative services at each school. This type of efficiency is often used in business to increase efficiency. Within Constellation, it serves to improve performance and accountability. As the schools benefit from administrative centralization, more resources are available for students and teachers, resulting in more opportunities for students and better schools.

## **Success of the Organization**

Since 1998, Constellation Schools has grown from one school, 27 students, and 3 employees to fifteen schools educating more than 4,500 students and over 550 employees. A total of eleven buildings are owned by the schools which occupy them evidencing their acceptance within their communities and their financial strength.

## **Conclusion**

The founders of Constellation have established a community of schools that benefit from outstanding participation and support from staff, students and parents. Constellation has developed a reputation for its high standards and dedicated teachers, and for delivering a quality educational program in a safe and pleasant environment.

## ***Constellation Schools***

### **THE RIGHT CHOICE FOR PARENTS AND A REAL CHANCE FOR CHILDREN**

What makes Constellation Schools unique? We offer parental choice when it comes to selecting a school that offers quality education for your child in a safe environment. This is complimented by small class size, the integration of technology offering every child in grades 2 - 12 personal laptops, a foundation of character education and compassionate staff committed to the high academic success of our students.

Constellation Schools enters its 23rd year of educating children in neighborhood schools. "While our highly qualified teachers focus on specific educational needs, getting to know the whole child is a responsibility every employee takes seriously. Our efforts are focused on preparing all students to be ethical world citizens prepared for success in career, college and life! It is a privilege to serve our families, and we welcome the opportunity to become partners in the education of your child!"



-Rebecca Keeney,  
Constellation Schools Executive Director



# Chairman's Message

The 2019/2020 school year was an unusual and challenging year and I want to thank everyone for your cooperation and perseverance. Actually, it seems like the 2019/2020 school year was two separate school years. The first, a traditional year with students and teachers in their classrooms. The second, a forced experiment in remote students learning through a mix of technology and more traditional resources. Our teachers were amazing as they were forced to change from a traditional classroom setting to using multiple mediums to communicate with students and parents. Parents were outstanding partners as we traversed this uncharted territory created by COVID-19. Staff and administrators have worked tirelessly to support our teachers and students. Despite the difficulties and multitude of challenges our schools faced this year, there is still much to celebrate.



Despite all the challenges, Constellation schools were successful in expanding opportunities for students and taking advantage of community resources. There were many field trip opportunities for students and our schools continued to promote extracurricular activities such as Guitar, Fitness and Art Clubs at Constellation Schools: Eastside Arts. Many of our schools participated in the basketball and volleyball intermural programs, with the Bulldogs of Constellation Schools: Lorain Community going undefeated for the volleyball season. Unfortunately, the basketball season was cut short. Community resources engaged with our schools included Junior Achievement at Constellation Schools: Puritas Community (for the 14<sup>th</sup> year); Guidestone, Bellefaire, Applewood and Ronald McDonald Mobile Dentist at numerous schools; Constellation Schools: Old Brooklyn Elementary partnered with the Cleveland Clinic and implemented the "Health Unleashed Program" and Constellation Schools; Parma Community partnered with Vitalant to sponsor blood drives and Constellation Schools: Elyria Community raised \$1,500 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. The school year also saw many of our schools actively engage to assist their communities through food and clothing drives, assisting families in need, and providing coats, boots, gloves, hats and

food to students.

Some other highlights for the school year include Constellation Schools: Westpark Community Elementary being rated the #1 charter school in the Greater Cleveland area, and #2 in the State of Ohio by **niche.com**. The school was also awarded the 2019 High Progress School of Honor by the Ohio Department of Education; an award that is bestowed upon schools that have ranked in the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile statewide in Math and English Language Arts for five years or more. Westpark Community Elementary has achieved the Highest Outstanding Overall grade of "A" on the state report card for two years in a row and was awarded the US Department of Education 2020 Exemplary High Performing Blue Ribbon School award. Constellation Schools: Elyria Community Elementary was named a Community School of Quality by the Ohio Department of Education for the 2019/2020 school year. This award acknowledges charter schools that have a higher performance index and higher academic progress than the surrounding school district. Constellation Schools: Westside School of the Arts winning the 1<sup>st</sup> Place School wide Award for the Midwest Charter Schools K-5 Art Contest and having the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade winners in the Buckeye Hope Writing Challenge. Constellation Schools: Stockyard Community received the Momentum Award and was designated a High Progress School of Honor by the Ohio Department of Education.



As you can see, there are many great things happening in our Constellation schools. Great teachers and great administrators and staff continue to make Constellation's schools...The Right Choice for Parents and a Real Chance for Children!

Richard A. Lukich, President  
Constellation Schools LLC



# Directors & Administrative Staff

**Rebecca Keeney**  
*Executive Director*

**Elizabeth Long**  
*Receptionist*

**Marybeth Oko**  
*Executive Assistant & Compliance Coordinator*

**Caroline Zito**  
*Treasurer*

**Gayle Gilmore**  
*Assistant Treasurer*

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*Accounting Specialist*

**Connie Britton**  
**David Culler**  
**Lisa Gretchen**  
*Accounts Payable Specialist*

**Kim Petonic**  
*Director of Human Resources*

**Kristin Mitchell**  
*Human Resource Generalist*

**Jennifer Alter**  
**Erin McDonnell**  
*Payroll Practitioner*

**Cassandra Horwedel**  
*Payroll/HR Assistant*

**Lisa Vinarcik**  
*Manager of Marketing & Public Relations*

**Gary Vojtush**  
*New Leadership Mentor*

**Brian Preseren**  
*Business & Safety Manger*

**Garrick Lukich**  
*Facilities Manager*

**Jeff Morris**  
*Maintenance Supervisor*

**Dan Doehr**  
**Justin Reffert**  
**Salvatore Tagliarini**  
*Maintenance Technician*

**Ronald Tomola**  
*Maintenance Supervisor*

**Andrea Yurick**  
*Manager of School Data, Records & Food Service Operations*

**Dominic Robinson**  
*Assistant Manager of School Data, Records & Food Service Operations*

**Tiffeny Miller**  
*Administrative Assistant of School Data, Records & Food Service Operations*

**Julia Howerton**  
*School Nurse Program Coordinator*

**Teresa Martin**  
*School Nurse*

**Hibah Ahmad**  
**Lee DiSante**  
**Jennifer Gawelek**  
**Amanda Siegel**  
**Malinda Miller**  
*Nurses*

**Christine Garten**  
*Curriculum Manager*

**Jessica Andrus**  
*Title I Coach*

**Jillian Lukich**  
*Support Services Program Coordinator*

**Katherine Violette**  
**Heather Skebo**  
**Suzanne Davis**  
**David Tucker**  
*School Psychologists*

**Phebe Crouch**  
**Jennifer Hall**  
**Chris O'Connell**  
**Marie Madej**  
**Jill Kidwell**  
**Stephanie Udovich**  
*Speech & Language Pathologists*

**Calli Elber**  
**Frances Horvath**  
**Kristen Pitsenbarger**  
*Occupational Therapists*

**Laura Horvath**  
*Special Education Program Coordinator*

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*Special Education Coach*

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**Amanda McCall**  
**Kathryn Reye**  
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**Garin Bailey**  
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*Field Technician*

**Connie Fasig**  
**Bryan Jasinski**  
**Ryan Kuschmeader**  
**Amy Mazur**  
**Claire Stepan**  
**Sarah Filimon**  
*Technology Integration Coach*



# List of Schools

## Constellation Schools Grades K-4

### **Old Brooklyn Community Elementary** (1998)

Cherie Kaiser, Principal  
Kristina Scott, Assistant Principal  
4430 State Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44109  
216.661.7888 • 216.661.5975 fax

### **Westpark Community Elementary** (2001)

Sheila Delzani, Principal  
16210 Lorain, Cleveland, Ohio 44111  
216.688.0272 • 216.688.0273 fax

### **Lorain Community Elementary** (2001)

Maureen Millett, Principal  
Jordan McHugh, Assistant Principal  
1110 West 4th Street, Lorain, Ohio 44052  
440.204.2130 • 440.204.2134 fax

### **Puritas Community Elementary** (2003)

Deborah Piazza, Principal  
Victoria Dela Cuesta, Assistant Principal  
17720 Puritas Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44135  
216.688.0680 • 216.688.0609 fax



## Constellation Schools Grades K-6

### **Stockyard Community Elementary** (2004)

Gary Vojtush, Principal  
Roslyn Ware, Assistant Principal  
3200 West 65th Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44102  
216.651.5143 • 216.651.9515 fax

### **Eastside Arts Academy** (2011)

Katherine Rybak, Principal  
6700 Lansing Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44105  
216.441.9830 • 216.441.9834 fax

## Constellation Schools Grades K-8

### **Elyria Community** (2001)

Thomas Flood, Principal  
Brian Belmont, Assistant Principal  
Elementary 300 North Abbe Road, Elyria, Ohio 44035  
440.366.5225 • 440.366.6280 fax  
Middle 336 South Logan Street, Elyria, Ohio 44035  
440.365.0390 • 440.365.0397 fax

### **Madison Community Elementary** (2004)

Brittney Lester, Principal  
Kevin Sheridan, Assistant Principal  
2015 West 95th Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44102  
216.651.5212 • 216.651.9040 fax

### **Westside Community School of the Arts** (2007)

Deborah Rotolo, Principal  
Howard Waugaman, Assistant Principal  
3727 Bosworth, Cleveland, Ohio 44111  
216.688.1900 • 216.688.1902 fax

## Constellation Schools Grades 5-8

### **Old Brooklyn Community Middle** (2006)

Cherie Kaiser, Principal  
Kristina Scott, Assistant Principal  
4430 State Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44109  
216.351.0280 • 216.661.5975 fax

### **Westpark Community Middle** (2006)

Michael Becker, Principal  
16210 Lorain, Cleveland, Ohio 44111  
216.251.7200 • 216.251.0355 fax

### **Puritas Community Middle** (2006)

Deborah Piazza, Principal  
Victoria Dela Cuesta, Assistant Principal  
17720 Puritas Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44135  
216.251.1596 • 216.251.3540 fax

### **Lorain Community Middle** (2006)

Maureen Millett, Principal  
Jordan McHugh, Assistant Principal  
1110 West 4th Street, Lorain, Ohio 44052  
440.242.2023 • 440.204.2134 fax

## Constellation Schools Grades 7-8

### **Stockyard Community Middle** (2010)

Gary Vojtush, Principal  
Roslyn Ware, Assistant Principal  
3200 West 65th Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44102  
216.961.5052 • 216.961.9227 fax



## Constellation Schools Grades K-12

### **Parma Community** (2000)

Linda Geyer, Principal  
Leah Walden, Principal Mentee  
Ciara Gaspar, Assistant Principal  
Parma Community Elementary– Day Drive  
7667 Day Drive, Parma, Ohio 44129  
440.888.5490 • 440.888.5890 fax  
Julie Hamski, Assistant Principal  
Parma Community Pearl Road Elementary  
6125 Pearl Road, Parma Heights, Ohio 44130  
440.345.5960 • 440.882.6169 fax  
Todd Lueke, Assistant Principal  
Parma Community Intermediate  
3421 Snow Road, Parma, Ohio 44134  
440.340.4654 • 440.340.4668 fax

Charlotte Ray, Assistant Principal  
Karen Lamson, Assistant Principal  
Middle and High  
5983 West 54th Street, Parma, Ohio 44129  
440.845.2587 • 440.845.2834 fax



# Parent Notification System



The Trusted Platform  
for School Community Engagement

## Parents and Guardians

### You can take advantage of our Text Messaging Service

Our school utilizes the SchoolMessenger system to deliver text messages, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more.\*

You can participate in this free service\* just by sending a text message of “Y” or “Yes” to our school’s short code number, **67587**.

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with “**Stop**”.

SchoolMessenger is compliant with the Student Privacy Pledge™, so you can rest assured that your information is safe and will never be given or sold to anyone.



Constellation Schools will be implementing a new notification system through SchoolMessenger. This system will have the ability to notify parents through voice calls, e-mail and SMS (text messaging). Please visit the school office to make sure your cell phone is on record before you opt-in to the SMS feature.

**Look for more information to follow!**

Thank you!

Opt-In from  
your mobile  
phone now!



Just send  
“Y” or “Yes”  
to 67587

**i** Information on SMS text messaging and Short Codes:

SMS stands for Short Message Service and is commonly referred to as a “text message”. Most cell phones support this type of text messaging. Our notification provider, SchoolMessenger, uses a true SMS protocol developed by the telecommunications industry specifically for mass text messaging, referred to as “short code” texting. This method is fast, secure and highly reliable because it is strictly regulated by the wireless carriers and only allows access to approved providers. If you’ve ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 46999, you have used short code texting.

\*Terms and Conditions – Message frequency varies. Standard message and data rates may apply. Reply HELP for help. Text STOP to cancel. Mobile carriers are not liable for delayed or undelivered messages. See [schoolmessenger.com/txt](http://schoolmessenger.com/txt) for more info.



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# Educational Plans/Programs

Our curriculum is aligned with the Ohio Academic Content Standards and is designed to guide students toward their grade level goals. Content areas include: reading/language arts, math, science, social studies, art, music, physical education/health and technology. Teachers made the necessary adjustments to our current curriculum in an effort to stay aligned with the state standards. During the 2019/2020 academic year, all Constellation Schools utilized the Ohio Learning Standards to prepare our students for the Ohio State Assessments, although all assessments were canceled due to COVID-19.

Title 1 services (small grouping with a reading/math teacher) and Special Education Services are implemented to assist students who qualify for these services. Numerous online programs are utilized as part of our Response to Intervention program in an effort to move children through the intervention pyramid.



Our 1:1 laptop program increases the use of technology to engage students and improve academic achievement. In addition to G Suites for Education (Google Apps), the use of our online curriculum and other educational apps provided our students with personalized and differentiated learning activities. From practicing basic keyboarding and mouse skills to learning to code and screencast, our students honed transferable technical skills necessary for future success. Our technology integration coaches provided support through lesson planning, co-teaching, and professional development sessions. As a team, teachers and coaches continue to strive for a balanced effective technology usage.

Teachers establish high academic measures for achievement and behavior in their classrooms. Through age appropriate teaching methods, all students will reach or exceed their maximum potential. The cornerstone of our academic program is emphasized through Character Education, which permeates throughout our curriculum. All of our classrooms and hallways have a variety of posters and bulletin boards that define acceptable character. Good behavior and appropriate manners from everyone is a constant expectation of our students and staff. Character education enhances our educational plan while securing a safe and nurturing learning environment for all of our students.

Students were able to highlight their talents and skills with assorted programming throughout the year. The All Constellation Spelling Bee brought together the top spellers from each school in February. Also in February, the All Constellation Science and Invention Fair provided students with the opportunity to share various science projects. Students also participated in the Constellation Schools Volleyball and Basketball teams.

Afterschool clubs and activities are offered in a variety of our schools addressing such interests as: drama, basketball, volleyball, creative writing, reading and the arts. All of these programs are organized and facilitated by staff who go above and beyond to provide our students with a well-rounded education rich with opportunities.





# Professional Development

## **Professional Development**

Constellation Schools are committed to improving student learning by providing professional development activities that are research-based and relevant to individual school's needs. The professional development will be sustained over time, and incorporate technology so that each participant will have the confidence and capabilities to provide rigorous instruction that challenges students' thinking. Through professional development we can ensure all students reach their full potential to contribute to a democratic society including maximizing each student's abilities and encouraging self-reflection and a lifelong love for learning.

Our Local Professional Development Committee (LPDC) follows all state requirements to renew teaching/principal certificates and licensures.

Several Professional development opportunities were provided before the start of the school year such as:

- PBIS
- Technology integration
- Max teaching strategies
- Special education procedures
- Curriculum
- Health training
- Classroom management
- Test taking strategies

**Search for Children with Disabilities Underway**-School districts across the state of Ohio are participating in an effort to identify, locate, and evaluate all children from birth through 21 years of age who may have disabilities. Disability, in this instance, means such conditions as hearing impairments, visual impairments, speech or language impairments, specific learning disabilities, emotionally disturbed, multiple disabilities, mental retardation, other health impairments, physical impairments, autism, and traumatic brain injury. Public schools have responded vigorously to federal and state mandates requiring the provision of a free appropriate public education regardless of a child's disability. But before school districts can serve children, they must be found. Many children with disabilities are preschoolers. Parents may not be aware their child has a disability or that there are programs and services available. All information collected will be held in strict confidence and released to others only with parent permission or as allowed by law. For example, the school district will send records on request to a school district or other educational agency in which a student intends to enroll. The parents may have a copy of those records upon request. The school district will keep a record of all persons who review confidential records with the exception of authorized school employees, or other educational agency personnel. The school will also maintain a list of those employees who may have access to records.

## **Professional Development Coaches:**

The Professional Development Coach provides a framework of support and professional development for all teachers. The coaches create an atmosphere for collaboration and teamwork in helping to achieve the goals of the school. Professional development coaches provided various workshops to enhance academic and professional growth for the teachers and the schools. Several professional development opportunities included:

- Curriculum support
- Classroom management
- Data analysis
- Student motivation
- Using assessment to drive instruction
- Technology integration
- Improving reading and math instruction

## **Resident Educator Program:**

The Ohio Resident Educator Program is a comprehensive, four-year initiative to assist beginning teachers with mentoring and professional development as they start their education careers. Ohio Revised Code 3319.223 and Ohio Administrative Code 3301-24-04 provide the basis for the Ohio Resident Educator Program and the requirement to successfully pass the Resident Educator Summative Assessment (RESA). When teachers successfully complete program requirements, including the RESA component, they become eligible for a professional teaching license. Teachers take the RESA in year 3 of the four-year program. A resident educator Mentor is provided to all teachers in the Resident Educator Program. Mentors and Resident Educators collaborate in the areas of instruction, assessment, lesson planning, and student achievement. Mentors offer onsite, individualized support to teachers in order to meet the needs of the teachers and their students.



# Special Services

Constellation Schools has a commitment to provide a free and appropriate public education for children with disabilities in accordance with state and federal laws, rules, and regulations. In that endeavor, the Educational Support Services Department works to assist all of our schools in the following specialized areas: Special Education, Psychological Services, Speech and Language Services, School Health Services, Occupational Therapy Services, and Physical Therapy Services. Additionally, the Educational Support Services Department assists each of our schools in creating and maintaining their Response to Intervention Process, Grade Level Intervention Teams, writing Section 504 Plans and Title I support.

## **Psychological Services**

Psychologists employed by Constellation Schools are Ohio Department of Education licensed and have specialized training in both psychology and education. They collaborate with parents and community agencies in order to coordinate services and interventions for students. They provide consultative services to educators and are members of the school-based intervention teams. School psychologists assist in assessment, eligibility, and program planning for students with disabilities as part of a range of special education services that Constellation Schools provides. Counseling may be delivered to special education students who demonstrate behavioral difficulties that impede their educational progress. Crisis intervention is also provided when necessary.

## **Speech & Language Services**

Good communication skills are important for speaking, listening, reading, writing, and learning at school. Some students have communication difficulties that can interfere with their ability to understand and participate in classroom instruction and impair their relationships with teachers and other children. Students who are formally identified as having communication problems that adversely affect their education are eligible to receive speech and/or language services from a speech & language pathologist. Speech & language services can be provided in a variety of ways, depending on the student's needs. Collaboration with teachers is important to ensure the student's communication goals are integrated into the classroom.



## **School Health Services**

Constellation Schools promotes health and wellness through a coordinated school health program. Our program focuses on collaboration between administrators, staff, families and the community to ensure that our students learn in a healthy school environment and obtain a state of health and wellness that will allow them to learn and achieve their maximum potential. School health services, one component of this coordinated school health program, is provided by professional school nurses. School nurses are committed to improving health outcomes, academic achievement,

And life-long achievement for all students at Constellation Schools. To that end, the school nurses of Constellation Schools follow the Standards of School Nursing Practice (National Association of School Nurses) and the state and federal laws that govern health services in schools.

## **Occupational Therapy Services**

School-based occupational therapy is available for students who are eligible for special education services. The profession of occupational therapy is concerned with a person's ability to participate in meaningful and purposeful daily life activities or "occupations." In the school setting, the role of the occupational therapist is to help children perform important learning and school-related activities in order to fulfill their role as students. Occupational therapy services support a child's participation in occupations of daily living (dressing, eating, etc.), academic areas, play, leisure, and social interactions. As part of the educational team within a school setting, occupational therapists work closely with the student, parents, and educators to identify the skills of the student, the demands of the environment, and appropriate solutions for interventions based on each child's unique needs.



# Technology

Using technology is an important part of life at Constellation Schools. We provide many technology tools to our students, to create a superior learning environment where they can explore new ways of working, delve into the practically unlimited encyclopedia of available knowledge, and understand the ways information is shared and problems are solved. Constellation recognizes the importance of learning in a safe environment, so we train our teachers to guide student learning, and back them up with a powerful set of filters and firewalls that keep our computer network focused on academic success.

We invest heavily into classroom technology, and are better equipped than most public schools. Nearly every classroom is outfitted with a large interactive board, where the teacher and students can view and manipulate information on a giant computer screen. Each interactive board can be used to share an internet web quest with the entire class, or allow individual students to physically interact with digital objects on screen, moving, changing, writing, and drawing to get the point of the lesson. They make a fantastic big screen for videos from Discovery Education too! This is a subscription to a wealth of videos and lesson materials from The Discovery Channel. We subscribe because we know children today are "digital natives" who respond better and engage more when multimedia is used for teaching.



Our teachers receive significant technology training, from after school workshops to one-on-one sessions with technology integration coaches. Constellation provides training in Google Apps for Education and other web-based tools to support our 1:1 laptop initiative. Constellation students in grades 2-12 participate in our 1:1 laptop program. They receive a laptop to use in school, and after extensive lessons on digital citizenship, online safety and laptop care, they earn the privilege to take their laptops home in the provided laptop bag. To prepare our kindergarteners and 1st graders, our students have access to either desktops or laptop to begin typing and computer basics. Our teachers integrate technology in many innovative and creative ways at all grade levels.

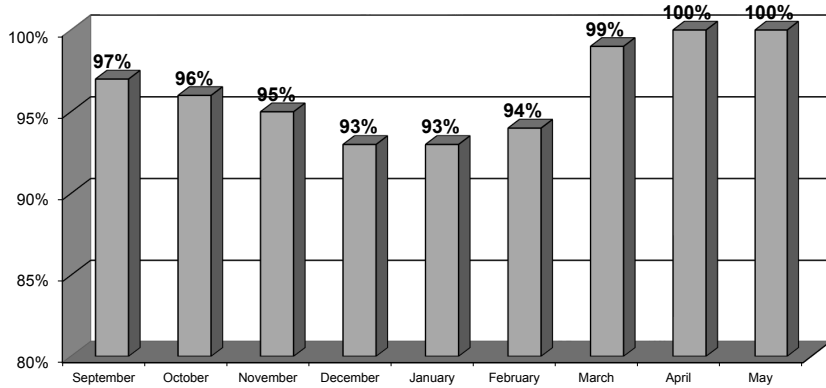
From our Mission Statement to our individual students, we strive to ensure the success of every child in our advancing technological society. As technology is becoming more and more a tool for 21st Century Learning, Constellation Schools is committed to providing every student a technology rich learning environment.





# Student Enrollment, Attendance & Demographics

**2019-2020 Student Monthly Attendance Percentage**



## About Our Students

Students at Puritas Community Elementary are enrolled on a first come, first served basis during the first two weeks of December. Those students 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.

### Student per Class/Teacher Ratio for 2019-2020

24 Students : 1 Teacher maximum

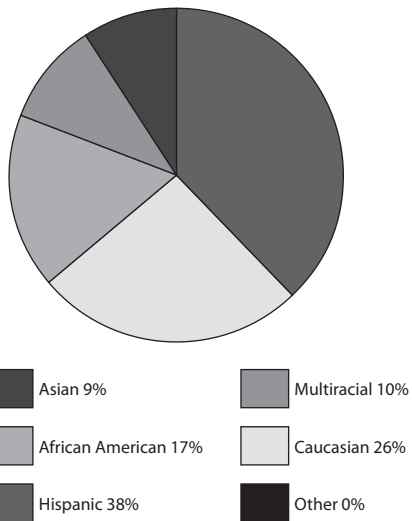
194 Students Enrolled

100% Eligible for Low Income

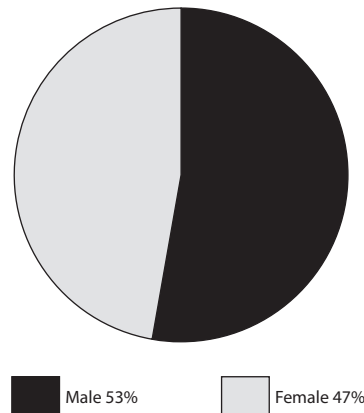
### Demographics

- 9% Asian
- 17% African American
- 26% Caucasian
- 38% Hispanic
- 10% Multiracial
- 0% Other

## Student Demographics



## Student Gender



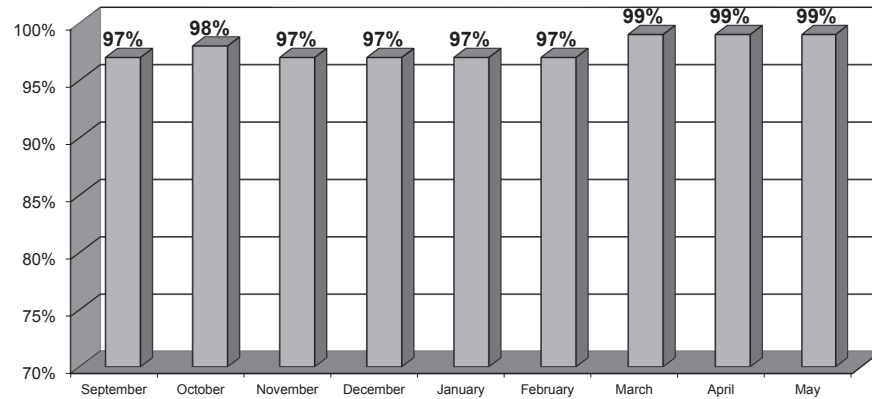
## Home School Notification

The school is a public school and students enrolled in and attending the school are required to take achievement 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.



# Puritas Community Elementary Staff & Board

**2019-2020 Staff Monthly Attendance Percentage**



**Puritas Community Elementary Staff**

**Principal**  
Debbie Piazza

**Asst. Principal**  
Vicki Dela Cuesta

**Administrative Assistants**  
Elaine Kovach

**Kindergarten**  
Nicole Goldie  
Michelle Andujar

**1st Grade**  
Kristy Dorn  
Amanda Means

**2nd Grade**  
Amy Aske  
Kimberly Kasinecz

**3rd Grade**  
Amanda Delia  
Lauren Thomas-Delia

**4th Grade**  
Abigail Jones  
Maeve Christie

**Title I**  
Rachel Dutton  
Anita Pytel

**Special Education**  
Pamela Thompson  
Larissa Atoulikian

**Aide**  
Maura English  
Michelle Shelton  
Melissa Coughlin

**General Music**  
Tim Fair

**Food Service**  
Stephanie Blanchard  
Christina Jorge

**Physical Education**  
Jamison Wood

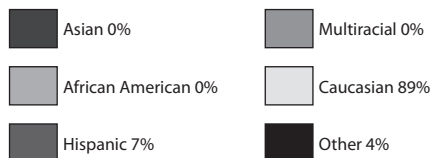
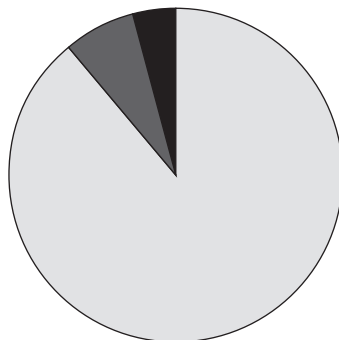
**Nurse**  
Hibah Ahmad

**Technology Integration Coach**  
Connie Fasig

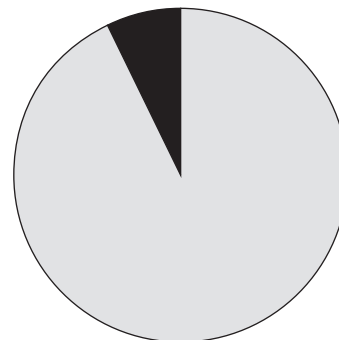
**IT Field Technician**  
Jessenia Diaz

**Instructional Coach**  
Lauren DiFranco

**Staff Demographics**



**Staff Gender**



**Puritas Community Elementary Board**

**President**  
Dan Ziemba

**Members:** Rodney Spencer • Bogusia Chmielewski • Donna Stelter  
Charles Ledger



# NWEA Assessments

The NWEA assessments are: Measures of Academic Progress® (MAP®) – These computerized tests are adaptive and offered in Reading, Language Usage, and Mathematics. When taking a MAP® test, the difficulty of each question is based on how well a student answers all the previous questions.

~Percent Met Projection indicates the percent of students that met their individual student growth measure.

## Math: Math K-12

Grade (Winter 2020)	Growth Count‡	Comparison Periods						Growth Evaluated Against								
		Fall 2019			Winter 2020			Growth		Grade-Level Norms			Student Norms			
		Mean RIT	SD	Percentile	Mean RIT	SD	Percentile	Observed Growth	Observed Growth SE	Projected Growth	School Conditional Growth Index	School Conditional Growth Percentile	Count with Projection	Count Met Projection	Percent Met Projection	Student Median Conditional Growth Percentile
<b>K</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>138.0</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>151.8</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>3.81</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>155.8</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>166.5</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>1.14</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>173.9</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>181.0</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>-1.02</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>184.6</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>190.3</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>-1.21</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>196.5</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>199.0</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>-3.25</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>23</b>

## Language Arts: Reading

Grade (Winter 2020)	Growth Count‡	Comparison Periods						Growth Evaluated Against								
		Fall 2019			Winter 2020			Growth		Grade-Level Norms			Student Norms			
		Mean RIT	SD	Percentile	Mean RIT	SD	Percentile	Observed Growth	Observed Growth SE	Projected Growth	School Conditional Growth Index	School Conditional Growth Percentile	Count with Projection	Count Met Projection	Percent Met Projection	Student Median Conditional Growth Percentile
<b>K</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>144.2</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>151.0</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>-1.02</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>153.2</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>164.8</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>1.97</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>174.1</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>182.1</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>-0.27</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>187.5</b>	<b>14.9</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>194.1</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>-0.26</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>196.1</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>197.6</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>-3.96</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>22</b>



## Enrollment Information

**For the 2021-2022 School Year ONLY**

**Re-Enrollment starts**

**Monday, November 16 ~ Wednesday, December 16, 2020**

**You must re-enroll online using**

**SchoolMint**

**<http://bit.ly/signinschoolmint>**

**For the 2020 – 2021 School Year Only**

All admission procedures will be in compliance with Section 3314.06, of the Revised Code. **Applications will be available from November 16, 2020 – December 16, 2020 for the succeeding academic year.** During these weeks the school will accept applications from students wishing to enroll/re-enroll in the school. Preference will be given to students attending the School and to siblings of such students. **Applications submitted after December 16, 2020** will be subject to space availability after the lottery (if a lottery is conducted), and will be handled on a first-come, first-serve basis, until the maximum enrollment has been reached in each grade level. A waiting list may be established.

The Educational Service Center of Lake Erie West (ESCLEW) served as sponsor for *Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary* during the 2019-2020 school year. ESCLEW monitored the school's academic and fiscal performance, as well as organization and operation of the school, and determined that the school was overall compliant.



# Constellation Schools

## Puritas Community Elementary

### Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2020

The Cash Basis Report of Revenues and Expenditures for the Year ended June 30, 2020 reflects the activities of Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary during the year. The information provided below refers to this report and the accompanying graphs.

- Highlights for the Year:**
- ✓ 16th annual audit issued for 2019 with an “unqualified opinion” (best opinion available)
  - ✓ In Fiscal Year 2020 the school continued the 1 to 1 computer program for grades 2 through 4.

#### Revenues

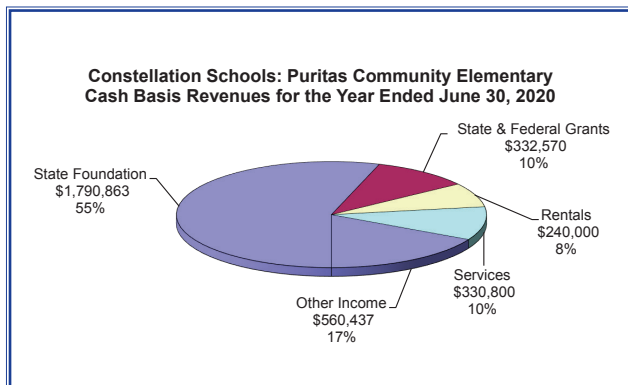
The largest source of operating revenue (55%) comes from the State of Ohio School Foundation Program. This funding is earned at a base rate of \$6,020 for each student enrolled during the year. Additional funds are provided for the special needs of students, the poverty level of the community in which each student resides, and other adjustments. Casino tax proceeds are also included in this category.

State and Federal Grants (10%) supplement school operations for specific purposes. The school received grants for Title I Intervention, Professional Development, Special Education, Child Nutrition Services, and Electronic Communications.

Rentals (8%) were collected from Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Middle for shared space.

Services (10%) were provided to Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Middle and to Constellation Schools for shared staff.

Other income (17%) includes interest earned on investments, food service collections, student fees and other miscellaneous items.



Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Elementary Cash Basis Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the Year ended June 30, 2020 (Unaudited)	
<b>Beginning Cash - July 1, 2019</b>	<b>\$ 679,713</b>
<b>Revenues</b>	
State Foundation	\$ 1,790,863
State & Federal Grants	\$ 332,570
Rentals	\$ 240,000
Services	\$ 330,800
Other Income	\$ 560,437
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 3,254,669</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>	
Personnel	\$ 1,071,188
Retirement & Benefits	\$ 380,557
Purchased Services	\$ 974,562
Supplies & Materials	\$ 70,103
Capital Outlay	\$ 233,693
Other	\$ 99,268
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 2,829,371</b>
<b>Ending Cash - June 30, 2020</b>	<b>\$ 1,105,011</b>

#### Additional Information

A more detailed set of financial statements may be obtained by calling (216)712-7600, writing to the Treasurer, Constellation Schools 5730 Broadview Road, Parma, Ohio 44134 or by e-mail at the following address: [zito.caroline@constellationschools.com](mailto:zito.caroline@constellationschools.com).

During the fall of 2020 an audit of the school's financial records for the year ended June 30, 2020 will be completed. The audit report should be available during the winter at the above address and on the Auditor of State's website: [www.auditor.state.oh.us](http://www.auditor.state.oh.us).

#### Expenditures

Personnel services, combined with retirement and benefits, accounted for 51% of the expenditures for the year. These expenditures include principal, support staff, teachers, state retirement systems, employment taxes, and health insurances.

Purchased services (34%) include expenditures for student support services (speech, psychologist, health and occupational therapy), contracted substitutes, field trips, professional development, management services, sponsor services, test scoring, data reporting, facility operations, equipment leases, telephone, postage, travel, marketing, printing, food services, and other services.

Supplies and materials (3%) include instructional supplies, testing materials, office supplies, medical supplies, instructional software, online instruction, and maintenance supplies.

Capital Outlay (8%) includes purchase and rehabilitation of a new location, purchases of technology; equipment and furniture; food services equipment and building improvements.

Other (3%) includes audit fees, insurances (property, liability, fidelity bond, directors & officers), dues and subscriptions, and other miscellaneous.

