

BLUEBIRD EDUCATION NETWORK

ANNUAL REPORT

2025 - 2026



MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Dear Friends,

As we reflect on a year filled with celebration, growth, and possibility at Bluebird Education Network, I am reminded of what makes our school communities so special. The 2025–2026 school year marked 5 years of Clay Hill Public Charter School and 20 years of Patterson Park Public Charter School—milestones that gave us an opportunity to celebrate not only how far our schools have come, but the people and shared commitment that have carried us along the way.

At the heart of these milestones is one mission: creating joyful, inclusive learning communities where children can thrive. This year, that mission came to life in many ways. Together, our schools served 403 students at Clay Hill and 740 students at Patterson Park, each contributing to the energy, curiosity, and spirit of our Bluebird community.

Our students also gave us many reasons to celebrate their growth. At Patterson Park, preliminary MCAP results showed schoolwide proficiency increasing from 37% to 42% in English Language Arts and from 11% to 19% in mathematics. At Clay Hill, the percentage of students performing at Performance Levels 3 or 4 in English Language Arts increased from 31.1% to 34.1%, reflecting continued progress in literacy and academic achievement. This year also marked an important milestone for our multilingual learners, with 28 students successfully exiting English Language Development (ELD) services, reflecting their progress in English proficiency and academic achievement.

There was much to celebrate beyond these academic accomplishments. Clay Hill achieved 4-star status and secured a five-year charter renewal, while Patterson Park's Pre-K program achieved Maryland Accreditation. We completed another major construction project at Clay Hill, including the fire alarm, kitchen, and west wing improvements, and acquired the former St. Elizabeth Church property to create new possibilities for the Patterson Park community.

Most importantly, we had opportunities throughout the year to come together and celebrate. From Clay Hill's Winter Showcase to the Bluebird Bash and Patterson Park's from Seed to School Spring Concert, our students, families, staff, alumni, and supporters celebrated the history we share and the future we are building together.

One mission. Many milestones. Five years of Clay Hill. Twenty years of Patterson Park. These milestones are more than numbers; they reflect the students, families, educators, founders, alumni, partners, and supporters who have helped make Bluebird Education Network what it is today.

This annual report highlights just a fraction of the moments that made this year special. Thank you for believing in our students, investing in our schools, and continuing to walk alongside us. We are grateful to celebrate this journey with you and excited for all that lies ahead.

With heartfelt gratitude,



Jane Lindenfelser
Executive Director



OUR CULTURAL FRAMEWORK



OUR VISION

Life-Long Learners, Healthy Families, and Strong Neighborhoods

OUR MISSION

To be a place where children thrive as members of a vibrant and inclusive learning community with families, caregivers, staff, and neighbors engaged in a practice of whole-child education. By teaching and learning from one another, we embrace unique identities and cultivate an atmosphere of love.

I am a Learner
Soy un Aprendiz

I am Confident & Strong
Soy Confidente y Fuerte.

I am Uniquely Me
Soy Únicamente Yo.

I am Loved
Soy Amado

COMMUNITY AFFIRMATIONS

Bluebird Education Network's educational model is the foundation of our mission to create schools where every child can thrive. These affirmations are the 'student facing' language of our pillars of **Academic Excellence, Identity, Wellness, and Love.**





Clay Hill Public
CHARTER SCHOOL

CLAY HILL PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

Clay Hill Public Charter School is a joyful, community-centered school serving students in Southeast Baltimore from Kindergarten through Middle School. As a 4-star public charter school, we are committed to providing a rigorous, supportive, and engaging learning environment where every child is known, valued, and empowered to thrive.



402

Students
Served

44%

Multilingual
Learners

16%

Students with
Disabilities

94%

Attendance

57%

Title I Eligibility

K-7

Grades

OUR DEMOGRAPHICS

74%

Hispanic

17%

Black

6%

White

3%

Other



STRONG HIGHLIGHTS

4-Star School Rating! ★★★★★

Clay Hill Public Charter School earned a **4-Star Maryland State School Rating and secured a 5-year charter renewal**, affirming the strength of our educational model and long-term impact.

This year also marked an important milestone for our multilingual learners, with **28 students successfully exiting English Language Development (ELD) services**, reflecting their growth in English proficiency and academic achievement.



CLAY HILL PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

As a Community School, Clay Hill builds a vibrant network of partnerships with local resources to enhance student achievement and foster community wellbeing. Our holistic approach integrates academics, enrichment programs, health and social services, youth and community development, recreational activities, employment opportunities, adult education, and family engagement. This comprehensive support system drives student success, empowers families, and nurtures healthy, resilient communities.

WELLNESS

240

Volunteer
Engagement
Hours

30

Coats and cold
weather gear
distributed

21,345

Pounds of
food
distributed

85

Students served
by mobile
dentist

\$1,000

Worth of uniform
assistance for
students

120

Students received
hearing and vision
screenings

OUT OF SCHOOL TIME

15

Clubs
225 students
served

100

Students
participated in
Summer Camp

60

Students
participated in
Astro Academy

30

Coats and cold
weather gear
distributed

ENGAGEMENT

30

Family Events

20

Families
Served in
holiday giving

25

Partnerships

We value the partnerships that help us provide a whole-child education for every student. If you're interested in partnering with Clay Hill to support our schools and community, we'd love to hear from you. Please contact our Community School Site Specialist, Ruth Diaz-Rivera, at Ruth.DiazRivera@bluebirdnet.org.





Patterson Park Public
CHARTER SCHOOL

PATTERSON PARK PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

Patterson Park Public Charter School is a joyful, community-centered school serving students in Southeast Baltimore from Pre-K through Middle School. As a public charter school, we are committed to providing a rigorous, supportive, and engaging learning environment where every child is known, valued, and empowered to thrive.



732

Students
Served

25%

Multilingual
Learners

15%

Students with
Disabilities

93%

Attendance

54%

Title I Eligibility

Pre-K-8

Grades

OUR DEMOGRAPHICS

43%

Hispanic

42%

Black

11%

White

4%

Other



STRONG HIGHLIGHTS

Patterson Park Public Charter School showcased strong academic growth this year, with improved MCAP performance and significant gains in English Language Arts and Mathematics. These achievements highlight the dedication of educators, the perseverance of students, and the effectiveness of quality instruction.

Patterson Park recorded its strongest post-pandemic academic performance, **with ELA proficiency increasing to 42% and Math proficiency rising to 19%**, the school's second-highest MCAP results on record.

Students demonstrated impressive year-over-year progress, including a **31-point increase in ELA proficiency from Grade 5 to Grade 6** and a **20-point increase in Math proficiency from Grade 6 to Grade 7**, highlighting sustained academic growth across key transition years.



PATTERSON PARK PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

As a Community School, PPPCS builds a vibrant network of partnerships with local resources to enhance student achievement and foster community wellbeing. Our holistic approach integrates academics, enrichment programs, health and social services, youth and community development, recreational activities, employment opportunities, adult education, and family engagement. This comprehensive support system drives student success, empowers families, and nurtures healthy, resilient communities.

WELLNESS

55

Wholeness
Referrals received
services

56

Students served
by Wholeness
Committee

276

Students received
free eye exams and
hearing screenings

57

Students
received on-site
dental care

20

Coats and cold
weather gear
distributed

21

Students received
clinical mental
health services

OUT OF SCHOOL TIME

240

Students
served in
clubs

103

Students
participated in
Spark Academy

112

Students
participated in
summer camp

12

Out of School
Time
partners

ENGAGEMENT

5,318

Volunteer
hours worked

581

Individual
volunteers

50

Family
workshops and
events

38

Partnerships

We value the partnerships that help us provide a whole-child education for every student. If you're interested in partnering with Patterson Park to support our schools and community, we'd love to hear from you. Please contact our Community School Site Specialist, Joakima Sierra, at Joakima.Sierra@bluebirdnet.org.



ONE MISSION MANY MILESTONES



A YEAR OF MILESTONES,
CELEBRATIONS, AND MEMORIES

ONE MISSION MANY MILESTONES

The 2025–2026 school year marked two significant milestones for Bluebird Education Network: 20 years of Patterson Park Public Charter School and 5 years of Clay Hill Public Charter School.

Patterson Park Public Charter School was founded in 2005 by community members who shared a vision for an enriching, joyful school grounded in whole-child education. What began as a K–4 elementary school has grown into a Pre-K–8 citywide public charter school. In 2016, the Board of Directors decided to replicate the model and establish a second school in response to financial constraints and overcrowding in Southeast Baltimore schools. Clay Hill Public Charter School was approved in 2019 and opened in 2021 following a delay caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. During the 2025–2026 school year, Clay Hill celebrated its fifth year and successfully secured a five-year charter renewal.

CELEBRATING CLAY HILL'S 5TH YEAR

Clay Hill Public Charter School's Winter Showcase on December 11, 2025, helped kick off Bluebird Education Network's yearlong celebration of 5 years of Clay Hill Public Charter School and 20 Years of Patterson Park Public Charter School. Held at Clay Hill under the theme "One Mission, Many Milestones," the celebration honored Senate President Bill Ferguson and Team 46 for their contributions and advocacy in support of the construction of Clay Hill Public Charter School. The event also brought the Clay Hill community together to celebrate five years of the school and recognize the community that helped make its journey possible.

CELEBRATING OUR MILESTONES: THE BLUEBIRD BASH

On January 9, 2026, the Bluebird Education Network community came together at the Atrium at Port Discovery Children's Museum for the Bluebird Bash, celebrating PPPCS's 20th anniversary and Clay Hill's 5th anniversary under the theme "One Mission, Many Milestones."

The evening reflected both the history and future of our schools. Students from PPPCS and Clay Hill, a PPPCS alumna, school principals, Executive Director Jane Lindenfelser, PPPCS founder Liz Obara Piedramartel, Board President Lazette Wells, and community member Cesar Romero participated in a program centered on our shared mission, the milestones that have shaped our growth, and a look forward. Students also shared Bluebird affirmations and performed an affirmation song before the evening concluded with dancing and celebration.

CELEBRATING PPPCS'S 20TH YEAR

The anniversary year continued with PPPCS's From Seed to School 20th Anniversary Spring Concert, created as a celebration for the current PPPCS school community. The concert brought students, staff, and families together for student performances recognizing the many "seeds" planted over the past 20 years that have helped PPPCS grow into what it is today.

The celebration also connected PPPCS's history to its future. Following the performances, families had the opportunity to tour the newly acquired St. Elizabeth space and were invited to share their ideas for its future use. In this way, Seed to School celebrated the students and community of today while giving families a voice in the next chapter of PPPCS's growth.

THANK YOU TO OUR BLUEBIRD SPONSORS

We are grateful to the organizations and businesses whose sponsorship helped make the Bluebird Bash possible and supported our celebration of these important milestones:

WCS (Wetrich | Cronin | Sorra) • TEI Electrical Solutions • Moseley • Fortabyte
Cyber Solutions • Johns Hopkins University & Medicine • Plano-Coudon
Construction • AROS Consulting • BA Mechanical • BankUnited • First Tryon
Advisors • Hill Group • Patterson Public House • 512 Labs • Fulton Bank • SU CASA



ONE MISSION • TWO SCHOOLS
MANY MILESTONES





INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE

BLUEBIRD EDUCATION NETWORK

INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE BLUEBIRD EDUCATION NETWORK

At Bluebird Education Network, our success is built on the foundation of strong partnerships, remarkable alumni, and outstanding academic achievements. This year, we are proud to shine a spotlight on the people and milestones that have shaped our journey.

During the 2025–2026 school year, foundation and funding partners invested in our work through capital, programmatic, and operating support, helping us expand educational opportunities, strengthen our schools, and advance important initiatives across the network.

This year, we are especially grateful to the partners who supported Phase I of the St. Elizabeth Expansion Project at Patterson Park Public Charter School. The Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative (BRNI), through the recommendation of Southeast Community Development Corporation, France-Merrick Foundation, Goldseker Foundation, The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation, The Middendorf Foundation, and The Richman Foundation, contributed to the progress of this important project. Their investments are helping expand educational capacity, support future early childhood opportunities, and create additional space to serve students, families, and the Southeast Baltimore community.

We are also grateful to Team 46—Delegate Luke Clippinger, Delegate Mark Edelson, Senate President Bill Ferguson, Delegate Robbyn Lewis, and Senator Cory McCray—for their contributions toward the final phase of construction at Clay Hill Public Charter School. Their support has helped advance important improvements to the school and strengthen the learning environment for Clay Hill students.

We are equally grateful to the partners whose investments supported programming and expanded opportunities for students throughout the year. Baltimore Community Foundation, Blanket Fort Foundation, Family League of Baltimore, The Hackerman Foundation, Heart of the Schools, a program of the Fund for Educational Excellence, Maryland State Department of Education's 21st Century Community Learning Centers program, PNC, Sherman Family Foundation, Thalheimer-Eurich Charitable Fund, Inc., and The Wright Family Foundation provided support for programs and initiatives across our schools, including early childhood education, out-of-school-time and summer programming, enrichment, field trips, and other student learning experiences.

We also recognize the partners whose operating support helps sustain the ongoing work of our schools and organizations. We are grateful to Baltimore City Council President Zeke Cohen for awarding Patterson Park Public Charter School operational support, as well as the Lois & Philip Macht Family Philanthropic Fund and other partners whose investments provide support for organizational and operational needs.

Whether investing in the future of the St. Elizabeth property, expanding educational experiences for students, supporting programs for children and families, or strengthening our day-to-day operations, each of these partnerships contributes to the continued growth and impact of Bluebird Education Network. We are deeply grateful for the trust our partners place in our work and for their continued investment in the students, families, and communities we serve.

INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE PARTNERSHIP IN THE SCHOOLS

Our work would not be possible without the dedication and collaboration of our community partners. We are proud to stand alongside organizations and individuals who share our commitment to educational equity and whole-child development.

Our schools are strengthened by the many organizations, community groups, businesses, and individuals who invest their time, resources, expertise, and services in our students and families. Across Patterson Park Public Charter School and Clay Hill Public Charter School, these partnerships create opportunities that extend beyond the classroom, support the whole child, and connect our schools to the communities around us.

Throughout the year, partners help make learning more engaging and accessible for students. Art with a Heart, Creative Alliance, and Baltimore Symphony Orchestra's OrchKids Program bring opportunities in the arts and music, while The Language Project provides Spanish instruction at both Patterson Park and Clay Hill. At Clay Hill, partners including Code in School support students in developing coding skills, while Scholastic supports literacy through its partnership with the school. These experiences give students opportunities to explore new interests, develop skills, and engage with learning in different ways.

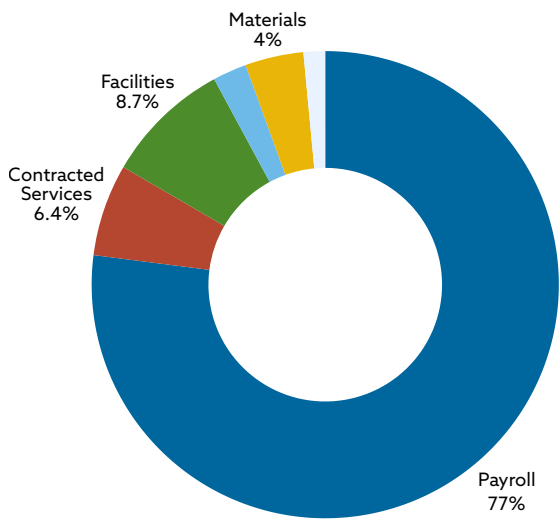
Our partnerships also help students and families access opportunities that support health, wellness, recreation, and connection. The Baltimore City Health Department provides vision and hearing screenings, immunizations, and other health resources, while Smile Programs – Mobile Dentist provides preventive dental care and necessary dental treatment at school. Catholic Charities – Villa Marie Health provides an in-school mental health therapist, and Baltimore Medical Systems connects families with health resources and support. Through Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks, Leveling the Playing Field, Volo Kids, Fitness Fun and Games, and US Tennis Association, students have access to sports, recreation, equipment, and physical activity opportunities.

Our community partnerships are equally important to the experience of students and families outside of the classroom. Maryland Food Bank supports the school pantry and families in the community, while Bayview Neighborhood Association, Breath of God Lutheran Church, Friends of Patterson Park, Patterson Park Neighborhood Association, and Southeast Community Development Corporation help connect our schools to neighborhood events, resources, volunteer opportunities, and family engagement. At Clay Hill, community partners such as Ateaze Knifty Knitters Senior Center Club, Danza Alegria, Grupo Chinelo, and Danza Folclorico Latino have helped create opportunities for students and families to connect, celebrate culture, and build community throughout the school year, including during Hispanic Heritage Month.

We are grateful to all of our partners across Bluebird Education Network, including those highlighted here and the many others who contribute throughout the year. Whether providing educational enrichment, health and wellness services, athletic opportunities, family resources, cultural experiences, volunteer support, or connections to our neighborhoods, each partnership helps create stronger schools and richer experiences for our students and families. Thank you for continuing to grow with us and for being an important part of our school communities.

2025-2026
FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

In the past fiscal year, Bluebird Education Network, Inc. has maintained a strong financial position, thanks to the continued support of our donors, grants, and careful management of resources. This overview highlights our key financial activities and outcomes for the year.

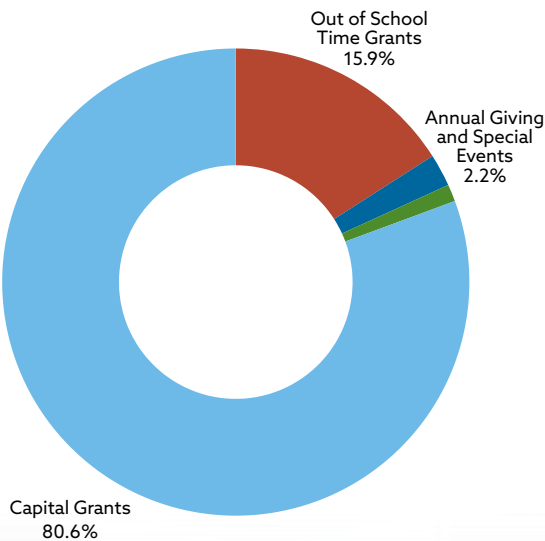


EXPENSES

Payroll	\$9,350,105
Contracted Services	\$773,382
Facilities	\$1,058,776
Technology	\$284,932
Materials and Supplies	\$490,785
Other	\$181,453

DONATIONS

Out of School Time Grants	\$666,951
Annual Giving and Special Events	\$93,834
Operating	\$49,500
Capital Grants	\$3,375,000



STAY CONNECTED WITH BLUEBIRD EDUCATION NETWORK

At Bluebird Education Network, we believe the strength of our community lies in the bonds we share and the connections we nurture. As we continue to grow and thrive, your support and involvement remain crucial to our mission of providing exceptional education to our students.

JOIN OUR JOURNEY

Stay updated on the latest news, events, and accomplishments by following us on social media. Your engagement helps us build a vibrant and connected community dedicated to the success of every student.



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