

ANNUAL REPORT 2023-2024



Bluebird
EDUCATION NETWORK



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

As we reflect on another year at Bluebird Education Network, I am reminded of the resilience, dedication, and passion that define our community. This past year has been one of growth, achievement, and unwavering commitment to our mission of providing an inclusive and thriving learning environment for all our students.

With great pride, I share that we have continued to build on the strong foundations laid by Patterson Park Public Charter School (PPPCS) and Clay Hill Public Charter School (CHPCS). The journey from our initial dreams to the reality of seeing our students flourish has been remarkable. This year, Bluebird Education Network has successfully enrolled over 1,000 students in grades K to 8th, fostering a vibrant community of young learners eager to explore and grow.

Our students' stories continue to inspire us. Take, for instance, Andres, a 5th grader at CHPCS, who started the year determined to exit English as a Second Language (ESOL) before middle school. Through personalized support and the dedication of his ESOL teacher, Ms. Stappler, Andres not only exited ESOL but he became a leader and cheerleader for others in his grade to do the same. At PPPCS, Yirahyah, a 7th grader, experienced similar success in math. She grew 4.5 grade levels in a single year, and was recognized by her peers for the "I am a Learner" Phoenix Award. Her peers noted that, "She is an excellent learner who always works hard, asks good questions, and helps her classmates."

These individual successes are a testament to the collective effort of our exceptional staff, committed volunteers, dedicated board members, and supportive community partners. Each of you has played a crucial role in nurturing the potential within every student. Your unwavering support and belief in our mission make all this possible.

Our capital campaign has also been a testament to our determination and vision. Thanks to the support of our generous community, we completed key renovations at Clay Hill Public Charter School to start the 2023-2024 school year. We are in the beginning stages of mapping our final phase of construction so Clay Hill can grow all the way through middle school.

As you peruse this report, I hope you see the dedication, hard work, and love that our entire school community brings to our students and their families. The stories and achievements highlighted here are just a glimpse of the impact we are making together.

Thank you for being an integral part of our journey. Together, we are shaping a brighter future for our children and our community.

With heartfelt gratitude,



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jane Lindenfesler".

Jane Lindenfesler
Executive Director



REBRANDING TO **BLUEBIRD EDUCATION NETWORK**

In 2023, Patterson Park Public Charter School, Inc. changed our name to Bluebird Education Network. This change reflects our growth and the addition of Clay Hill Public Charter School to our network. The rebrand represents our commitment to expanding educational opportunities and resources to more students and families in our community.

The name Bluebird Education Network symbolizes our vision of fostering bright futures and creating a supportive and inclusive educational environment. The bluebird, often associated with happiness, hope, and new beginnings, captures our mission to inspire and empower every student to achieve their full potential.

Our new name allows us to unify our efforts under a single identity, enhancing collaboration, innovation, and community engagement across both schools. By rebranding, we aim to strengthen our network and provide even greater support to our students, families, and communities.

We are excited about this evolution and the opportunities it brings to further our mission of providing high-quality education and holistic support. Our dedication to academic excellence, enrichment programs, and comprehensive services remains unwavering as we continue to grow and serve the community under the Bluebird Educational Network banner.

Our Cultural Framework



Vision

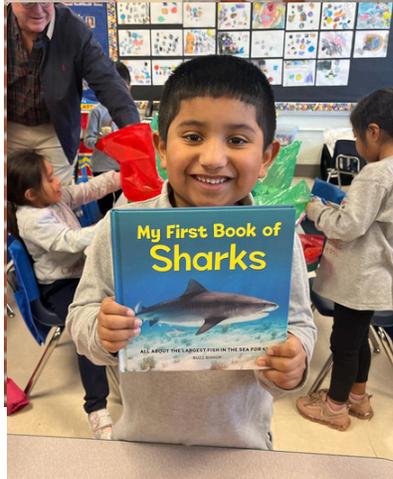
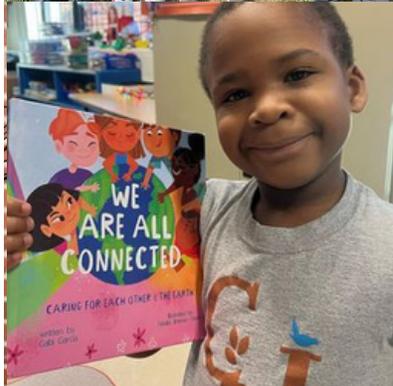
Life-Long Learners, Healthy Families, and Strong Neighborhoods

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.



CLAY HILL PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL



293

Students

51%

Multilingual Learners

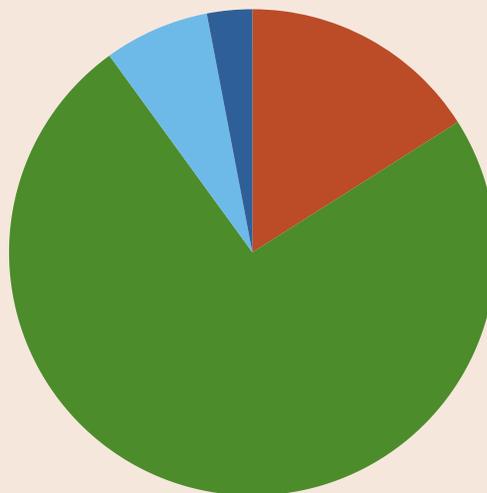
14%

Students with Disabilities

K - 5

Grades

DEMOGRAPHICS



16%

Black

74%

Hispanic

7%

White

3%

Other

ATTENDANCE

93.6%

Overall Attendance Rate



This year's accomplishments:

Clay Hill Public Charter School continued to prioritize literacy growth by utilizing daily literacy learning blocks, implementing intensive literary interventions, and expanding ESOL services. This commitment resulted in significant literacy advancements for our students:

- 1st Grade: 79% of students either achieved grade-level standards or made 1.5 years' worth of reading growth.
- 2nd Grade: 84% of students either achieved grade-level standards or made 1.5 years' worth of reading growth.
- 3rd Grade: 83% of students either achieved grade-level standards or made 1.5 years' worth of reading growth.

Additionally, 5th-grade students increased their proficiency on the MCAP by 5%, and the 3rd-grade MCAP proficiency rate rose by 2%.

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS CHPCS

As Community Schools, PPPCS and CHPCS build a vibrant network of partnerships with local resources to enhance student achievement and foster community well-being. 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

2,363

volunteer engagement hours

140

Students received hearing & vision screenings

20,200 lbs

of food distributed

51

Students served by wholeness team

14

Students received clinical services

65

Students served by mobile dentist

\$1,000

worth of uniform assistance for students

50

coats and cold weather gear distributed

Engagement

100

families served in holiday giving

26

Partnerships

30

family workshop events



Out of School Time

260

Students participated in out of school programming

60

Students participated in summer programming

PATTERSON PARK PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL



727

Students

25%

Multilingual
Learners

14%

Students with
Disabilities

PreK - 8

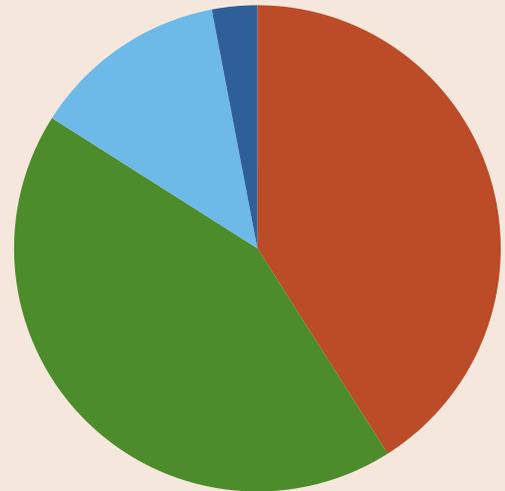
Grades

ATTENDANCE

93.2%

Overall
Attendance
Rate

DEMOGRAPHICS

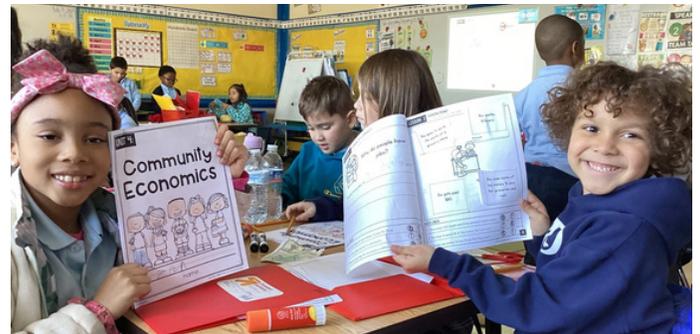


41%
Black

43%
Hispanic

13%
White

3%
Other



This year's accomplishments:

Patterson Park Public Charter School has made remarkable strides in academic performance this year. In STAR Math testing, we observed an 8% increase in student proficiency. Our English Language Arts (ELA) programs also demonstrated significant progress, with a 6% growth in STAR ELA. These achievements highlight our dedication to fostering academic excellence across all subjects.

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Wellness

232 Students in
OST programming

75 Students received
on-site dental care

150 Students in
Summer programming

25 coats and cold weather
gear distributed

84% of Wholeness
Referrals received services

150 Students received clinical
mental health services

77 Students served by
Wholeness Committee

700 Students received
vision screenings

148 Students received
free eye exams & glasses

268 Students received
hearing screenings

Out of School Time

114 Students participated in a club

165 Students played a sport

55 Students served in before &
after care programming

161 Students attended Summer
programming (**11** youth workers)

Engagement

57 Partnerships

5,848 Volunteer Hours Worked

436 Individual Volunteers

87 Family Workshops & Events

PARTNERS IN PROGRESS: VISION FOR BALTIMORE

At Bluebird Educational 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.

OUR VALUED PARTNERS:

Our partners play a crucial role in enhancing the educational experiences of our students. Their support enables us to provide innovative programs, resources, and opportunities that help our students thrive.

We would like to especially spotlight Vision for Baltimore, a partnership convened by the Baltimore City Health Department (BCHD) with City Schools, Johns Hopkins University (JHU), non-profit provider Vision To Learn (VTL), and Warby Parker. This initiative has been instrumental in screening all students at Patterson Park Public Charter School (PPPCS) and Clay Hill Public Charter School (CHPCS) and offering eye exams and glasses to any student in need. Thanks to their highly organized efforts and cheerful service, by the end of the school year, nearly a thousand students received eye exams and free glasses from Vision for Baltimore, ensuring they have what they need for success in school and life.

While Vision for Baltimore's contribution has been remarkable, we extend our heartfelt thanks to all of our partners. Your ongoing support is vital to our mission, and we are deeply grateful for everything you do to support our students.



BALTIMORE CITY
PUBLIC SCHOOLS



BALTIMORE
CITY HEALTH
DEPARTMENT

JOHNS HOPKINS
UNIVERSITY & MEDICINE

WARBY PARKER



SPOTLIGHT ON SUCESS: JADYNCE BLOWE

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OUR INSPIRING ALUMNI:

We are thrilled to spotlight Jadynce Blowe, one of our outstanding alumni and this year's recipient of our annual thousand-dollar scholarship. Jadynce is currently pursuing her passion at Clark Atlanta University, where she is majoring in theater. Her journey into the world of theater began right here at Patterson Park Public Charter School. It was in one of our theater electives that Jadynce discovered her love for the stage, and she has been dedicated to her craft ever since.



We are proud to support Jadynce as she continues to follow her dreams, and we look forward to seeing her shine on and off the stage.

2023 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	\$14,500,897
Contracted Services	\$162,997
Facilities	\$825,875
Other	\$1,676,746
Technology	\$288,945
Materials and Supplies	\$132,088

Donations:

Annual Giving	\$128,220
Grants - Operating	\$31,000
Grants - Program	\$18,390,397
Grants - Capital	\$287,520
Grants - Out of School Time	\$473,922
Special Events	\$53,000



Thank you to all of our friends who gave to Bluebird Education Network, generously. We greatly appreciate your dedication.

In an effort to honor every contribution made to Bluebird Education Network, equally, whether that be in the form of monetary donations, in-kind gifts, or volunteer time, we are omitting a donor list from this report. We could not have accomplished everything we did during the 2023-2024 school year without each contribution, and we are using this report to highlight and demonstrate the impact of contributions in all forms.

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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Together, we can continue to provide the best educational experiences for our students and create a brighter future for our community. Thank you for being part of the Bluebird Education Network family. **Stay connected, stay involved, and let's soar to new heights together!**

