



While in our infancy, we do understand there are many important measures of success and we are encouraged by the progress we have made. We do not measure our success solely on Ohio's report card system, however. Our overall school performance index of 52.6 percent has grown each year. **We are proud that Stepstone Academy achieved the highest performance score in our district of residence, Cleveland's Central Neighborhood.** Following is our current Test Score Data:

| % of students who grew 1 year (or more) on NEWA | | | | | | |
|---|-------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | KG | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd | 4 th | 5 th |
| Reading | 27.5 | 32.07 | 42.85 | 57.69 | 41.37 | 37.5 |
| Math | 56.25 | 43.39 | 61.09 | 55.7 | 31.03 | 31.25 |

| AIR State Achievement Test | | | | |
|----------------------------|-------|------|---------|----------------|
| | ELA | Math | Science | Social Studies |
| 3 rd Grade | 15.4% | 25% | - | - |
| 4 th Grade | 20.7% | 31% | - | 17.2% |
| 5 th Grade | 18.8% | 0% | 18.8% | - |

Many of our students enter school needing significant development in their Literacy skills; without intervention, they are likely to struggle with reading comprehension in later grades. This past year we piloted an intensive focus on Literacy improvement in our second grade classrooms and saw significant gains in student growth. These fabulous results led to our decision to hire one literacy specialist for every four classrooms. We expect to see continuous improvement over the coming years as a result of our commitment to improving Literacy for all students at Stepstone Academy.

Jim Dombrowski
Superintendent

FY 2017 Financials

(Unaudited)

| Operating Receipts | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| State Foundation | \$2,389,000 |
| Other | \$71,000 |
| Total | \$2,426,000 |

| Non Operating Receipts | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Federal Grants | \$579,000 |
| Other Local Receipts | \$148,000 |
| Donations | \$688,000 |
| Debt Principal Retirement | \$292,000 |
| Total | \$1,707,000 |

| Operating Disbursements | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Salary, Wages, Benefits | \$2,333,000 |
| Purchased Services | \$1,579,000 |
| Other | \$189,000 |
| Total | \$4,101,000 |

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|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| Net Operating Receipts/Disbursements | (\$1,675,000) |
| Excess Receipts/Disbursements | \$32,000 |

Ohio Council of Community Schools (OCCS) uses various methods to evaluate the school's performance including published tests and other academic scores such as the Ohio Department of Education Local Report Card and supporting data. OCCS regional representatives visit our partner schools regularly, ensuring compliance with federal, state, and contractual requirements. The results of this monitoring for the 2016-2017 school year are published in the 2017 Ohio Council of Community Schools Annual Report, available after November 30 at www.ohioschools.org.