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The 2019-20 school year was unprecedented for the Detroit Public Schools Community District Office of Charter Schools due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In the midst of the uncertainty, the DPSCD Office of Charter Schools continued to offer robust webinars that included topics based on governance best practices and saw the largest participation rate of our charter boards. Beyond board members attending the webinars, we also witnessed many examples of board members implementing the shared best practices during meetings that transpired to effective decision making for their academy.

In addition to the added value of the board webinar series, we provided continuous oversight, support, and resources related to COVID-19. The office also continued to focus on its mission to support, develop, and hold charter schools accountable, so that they can prepare Detroit children for future opportunities. The information contained in this annual report represents data from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. It offers a snapshot of the students and the academies that serve them.

During the 2019-20 year, the Detroit Public Schools Community District Board of Education voted to reauthorize Barack Obama Leadership Academy and David Ellis Academy. The DPSCD Office of Charter Schools is looking forward to the continued partnership with the board members and management company staff from each of these academies.

During the 2019-20 year, the Detroit Public Schools Community District Office of Charter Schools and other Authorizers were charged by Governor Whitmer to review and approve the Continuity of Learning and COVID-19 response plans for each academy. Thank you to the academies for submitting the plans and making the requested revisions based on feedback for submission to the Michigan Department of Education.

In addition, to the submissions of the Continuity of Learning Plans, each academy ended the 2019-2020 school year with the highest compliance ratings.

As a data driven Authorizer, we are excited to see the hard work from each academy as we continue to assess our charter schools by using multiple sources of data and identifying areas strength and growth.

As we approach a new school year that continues to be filled with uncertainty due to COVID-19, we are looking forward to the innovative ways each academy will ensure all students receive the best education rather it’s virtually, face to face or a hybrid model. As an Authorizer, we will continue to provide oversight and high-quality support as we approach an unparalleled school year.

Thank you so much for your commitment and continued partnership with our team as we continue to be a High-Quality Authorizer!
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Vision, Mission, and Core Values

VISION
DPSCD will only authorize charter schools that provide students with the knowledge, skills and confidence necessary to thrive in our city, our nation, our world.

MISSION
The DPSCD Office of Charter Schools supports, develops and holds accountable high-performing charter schools that prepare Detroit children for college and careers.

CORE VALUES

Students First
Make decisions that are in the best interest of students. Use every resource strategically so that we can meet students’ individual needs.

Excellence
Be relentless in your pursuit of greatness. Be bold and innovate. Learn from your mistakes. Hold yourself and others to high standards.

Integrity
Do the right thing, even when no one is looking. Be honest. Be trustworthy. Be accountable.

Equity
Diversity is an asset that makes us stronger. Advocate for the needs of others. Ensure that all members of our community have access to the tools and resources they need to be successful.

Service
Listen. Empathize. Respond. Own problems and help to solve them.

Tenacity
Embrace hard work and persevere in the face of challenges. Follow through on your commitments and strive to do your best, no matter what.
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BARACK OBAMA LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

➢ SPECIAL PROGRAMS
  African-Centered Education, African Drumming, African Dance, 21st Century After-school Programming, Basketball, My Brothers Keepers & The Leader In Me

➢ POINTS OF PRIDE
  African Centered Culture & The Leader in Me Program

➢ MOTTO
  Transforming Students Into World Class Leaders

➢ VISION
  To build and maintain a child centered institution that develops the leaders of tomorrow

➢ OUR MISSION
  At Barack Obama Leadership Academy, we are dedicated to providing the highest quality educational experience and to develop and build upon the leadership characteristics that are inherent in all children.

➢ ADDRESS: 10800 E. Canfield St, Detroit, MI 48214
➢ PHONE: (313) 823-6000
➢ CO-PRINCIPAL: Cha-Rhonda Edgerson
➢ CO-PRINCIPAL: Kimberly Pritchett
➢ GRADES: K-8
➢ YEAR OPENED: 1997
➢ MANAGEMENT: Magnum Educational Management Co.
➢ ENROLLMENT: 407 students
➢ FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH: 100%
➢ SPECIAL EDUCATION: 7%
➢ ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS: 0%
➢ BOARD OF DIRECTORS
  Dr. Oluwa Davis
  Tamiko Leonard
  Kamau Kheperu
  Quintella Boyd
  Kelly Gardner
  Dr. Cheryl Munday

➢ ENROLLMENT DEMOGRAPHICS
  Black ......................................................... 98%
  White ......................................................... 1%
  Multiracial ................................................... 1%

*2019-20 demographic data provided by school.
POINTER OF PRIDE
Capstone Academy Staff strives to re-energize its students and provide an educational bridge until the student is able to return to a traditional educational setting.

OUR MISSION
The mission of Capstone Academy, in partnership with youth serving agencies, is to re-engage youth in the active pursuit of self-improvement, interpersonal growth and educational development. Within a climate where students, staff and stakeholders feel safe, secure and valued as individuals, Capstone Academy will encourage all students to excel to their highest potential, while providing them the support and tools needed to explore the infinite possibilities that learning, and life has to offer.

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PRINCIPAL: Brian Serafino
GRADERS: 4-12
TYPE: Strict Discipline Academy
YEAR OPENED: 2012
MANAGEMENT: EdTec Central
ENROLLMENT: 185 students
FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH: 100%
SPECIAL EDUCATION: 21%
ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS: 0%
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Mary L. Johnson
Mitzi Mitsunaga
Alan S. White
Victor L. Marsh

ENROLLMENT DEMOGRAPHICS
Black..................................................76%
White..................................................20%
Hispanic..........................................4%

*2019-20 demographic data provided by school.
SPECIAL PROGRAMS
Parent University, After-School Programs such as Basketball, Cheerleading, Majorettes, Dane (Hip Hop Jazz and Ballet), Karate, Tutoring and Drum Line; Male Mentoring Program, Music, Technology, Physical Education, Spanish, Math Olympics, Robotics/STEM

POINTS OF PRIDE
Offers rigorous learning in a family-like atmosphere

OUR MISSION
The educational family of the David Ellis Academies will provide a safe and supportive environment to prepare the children of today to be the leaders of tomorrow. We will promote, nurture, and encourage academic mastery to inspire lifelong learning in a global society.

ADDRESS: 18977 Schaefer, Detroit, MI 48235
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ACADEMIC PROGRAM PRINCIPAL: Michelle Lee
ADMINISTRATOR OF BUILDING OPERATIONS: Kenya Hildreth
GRADES: K-8
YEAR OPENED: 1999
MANAGEMENT: Bardwell Group
ENROLLMENT: 301 students
FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH: 100%
SPECIAL EDUCATION: 2.9%
ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS: 0%
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Brian Logan
Lawrence Crawford
Patsy Johnson
Linda Tripp
Dannis White

ENROLLMENT DEMOGRAPHICS
Black.................................................................100%

*2019-20 demographic data provided by school.
MACDOWELL PREPARATORY ACADEMY

➢ SPECIAL PROGRAMS
A rigorous college preparatory curriculum, Friends of MacDowell Alumni Tutoring program, Chess Club, Mighty Mustang Boys Basketball Team, Lady Mustang Girls Basketball Team, Girls and Boys Mentoring Programs, Girl Scouts Program, Project Healthy Communities, and Partnerships with Goal Line Detroit, RaquetUp Detroit, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, The Children's Center, Central Baptist Church and The Detroit Parent Network.

➢ OUR MISSION
The mission of MacDowell Preparatory Academy is to instill in its scholars the skill and will to prepare them for success in college and life.

➢ OUR VISION
MPA scholars will maximize their potential and achieve success in every area of their lives. Our scholars come to school excited about their future and own their own learning. Our faculty are passionate, knowledgeable and accountable for creating an environment where scholars enthusiastically learn. Our parents, guardians and community are actively supporting our children’s dreams and the work of our school.

➢ ADDRESS: 4201 W. Outer Drive, Detroit, MI 48221
➢ PHONE: (313) 494-8141
➢ PRINCIPAL: Lindsie Johnson
➢ GRADES: K-8
➢ YEAR OPENED: 2012
➢ MANAGEMENT: Promise Schools
➢ ENROLLMENT: 362 students
➢ FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH: 99%
➢ SPECIAL EDUCATION: 12%
➢ ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS: 0%
➢ BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Nicole Wells-Stallworth
Robert Thomas
Cornell Batie
Desiree Jones
JohnNae Reynolds
Edgar Vann, III
Marnita S. Harris

➢ ENROLLMENT DEMOGRAPHICS
Black.....................................................98%
White...................................................2%

*2019-20 demographic data provided by school.
PATHWAYS ACADEMY

PROGRAM MODEL
Our curriculum is a blended learning model. This allows students to work at their own pace for purposes of credit recovery or to accelerate their learning. We offer free onsite daycare; free Door-to-door transportation for pregnant teens and young parents, free breakfast and free lunch. We also offer parenting, nutrition and cooking classes in addition to the Michigan Core Curriculum.

POINTS OF PRIDE
Pathways Academy focuses on educating pregnant teens and young parents (moms and dads). Self-Paced Program for Accelerated Learning or Credit Recovery, Door-to-Door transportation for students, onsite daycare provided

PARTNERSHIPS
Detroit Cares, Michigan State University, Urban Job Readiness, Project Noah, Salvation Army, Oak Grove AME Church, St. John’s Providence Health System, College for Creative Studies, Gleaners

OUR MISSION
Within a caring and supportive environment, this 21st Century school provides pregnant and parenting students with the academic and ethical skills necessary for success.

ADDRESS: 11340 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit, MI 48214
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PRINCIPAL: Michelle Shawver
GRADES: 7-12
YEAR OPENED: 2014
MANAGEMENT: Innovative Educational Programs
ENROLLMENT: 105 students
FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH: 100%
SPECIAL EDUCATION: 8%
ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS: 0%
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Leonard Dixon
Alonzo Bell
Cynthia Bradford
Tonjola Cole
Hurticene Hardaway

ENROLLMENT DEMOGRAPHICS
Black..............................................................98%
White.............................................................1.1%
Hispanic..........................................................0.7%

*2019-20 demographic data provided by school.
SPECIAL PROGRAMS
Harvest Feast, Royal Celebration, Pistons' Math hoops, Tutoring, Dance, Partnerships with Fifth Third Bank, Madonna University, Mentoring Youth Network, Mobile Dentist, Wayne State University - Run Detroit and Wayne County Community College, Book Mobile, Detroit Fire Dept. Pal Basketball Team, Boys and Girls Bible Club, Marsha Damien-School Supply donations, Kelly Family and First church of the Nazarene in Owosso., Goal Line, PTO, Cabbage, Lens Crafter

POINTS OF PRIDE
“Nurturing”

OUR MISSION
The mission of Rutherford Winans Academy is to prepare students for academic excellence and responsible citizenship.
The 2020 M-STEP assessment was suspended due to COVID-19.
The DPSCD Office of Charter Schools mission is to support, develop and hold accountable high-performing charter schools that prepare Detroit children for college and careers. The following listing represents some of the support options made available to authorized schools during the 2019-2020 school year. This list does not reflect individual school support that was provided.

**BOARD GOVERNANCE WEBINARS**

Building the Leadership Pipeline: Recruitment, Retention and Board Succession Planning
January 27, 2020

Board Governance Top 10 List - Book Study – Governing for Greatness: Ten Fundamentals Every Charter School Board Member Needs to Know by Brian L. Carpenter
March 30, 2020

Developing an Effective Board-Management Partnership
May 18, 2020

**PSA QUARTERLY LEADERSHIP MEETINGS**

October 16, 2019
February 26, 2020

**CONTINUITY OF LEARNING PLAN AND COVID-19 FINANCIAL IMPACT DISCUSSION MEETINGS**

June 1 – June 5, 2020

For more information, visit the DPSCD Office of Charter Schools online at:
The Detroit Public Schools Community District Office of Charter Schools regularly provides board members of authorized academies with feedback on various aspects of school performance.

Past reports are available by request.

Other reports distributed to charter school board members during the 2019 - 2020 year:

- Fall Environmental Health & Safety Report
- Follow-up Environmental Health & Safety Report
- Spring Environmental Health & Safety Inspection Report
- Fall Personnel Verification Report
- Winter Personnel Verification Report
- Spring Personnel Verification Report
- 2020 M-Step Report (No testing due to COVID-19)
- Fall College Readiness Performance Report
- First, Second, Third and Fourth Quarter Compliance Reports
- Second, Third and Fourth Quarter Financial Reports
- Board Evaluations
- COVID-19 Resources and Updates
BOARD of EDUCATION

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President

The Honorable Angelique Peterson-Mayberry
Vice President

The Honorable Sonya Mays
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The Honorable Georgia Lemmons

The Honorable Bishop Corletta J. Vaughn

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