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# Annual Report 2022-2023



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# Dear Friends,

In 2022, we entered our sixth year as an independent network and we are now into our third decade of transforming school for Cleveland students through our intergenerational model of education.

We were thrilled when all three of our Intergenerational Schools were designated as Community Schools of Quality by the Ohio Department of Education. Our students continued to outperform their peers in neighborhood schools in many subject areas and we saw year-over-year test score improvements in several grade levels.

Despite so many of the challenges we still face as public schools in the wake of a global pandemic, and in the current teacher shortage, we have worked to ensure that our students continue to have enriching and inspiring experiences both in and outside of the classroom.

Our schools visited area senior centers and participated in a dialogue on sustainability with the Bioregional Activators Network, at Case Western Reserve University. We celebrated intergenerational family Math Nights, showcased our students' incredible artwork exhibited at the Akron Art Museum, and brought the community together for "Boundless," our first major fundraiser.

Our small but mighty network of schools continues to thrive, cultivating a love of learning, fostering intergenerational experiences, and challenging students to think critically and contribute meaningfully to their families and communities.

Sincerely,



**Brooke King**  
Executive Director  
Intergenerational Schools

We are excited to share that Brooke King, our Intergenerational Schools Executive Director, was named a Notable Leader in Education by [Crain's Cleveland Business](#).

"Brooke is an absolutely remarkable leader in the world of education," wrote Kelly Lytle, chair of the schools' fundraising arm, Friends of the Intergenerational Schools (FIGS). "She steps up and brings the intergenerational education model to our Cleveland Community."

Congratulations to Brooke!





# Our Mission and Vision

## Our Mission:

The Intergenerational Schools connect, create, and guide a multi-generational community of lifelong learners and spirited citizens as they strive for academic excellence.

## Our Vision:

The Intergenerational Schools are a top choice in public education for Greater Cleveland families. We foster joyful and independent academic and social-emotional learning that allows students and learning partners to excel both individually and together in one equitable community. As innovative and progressive educators, we are catalysts and collaborators in improving public education. As innovative and progressive educators, we are catalysts and collaborators in improving public education.

## We do more with less.

The Intergenerational Schools receive less in per-student state funding than neighboring schools that are part of the local school district. Small classes and less in per-student funding means the schools must run a lean operation and look to the community to help support programs like the Learning Partners and Intergenerational visits that benefit both students and seniors.

## Your support provides these valuable experiences.

Friends of the Intergenerational Schools is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization positioned to raise funds on behalf of the Intergenerational Schools to close this funding gap. Help us transform public school education by making your gift to the Annual Fund at [igschools.org/donate](https://igschools.org/donate).



# Community Schools of Quality

We are proud to say all three of our schools were designated as Community Schools of Quality by the Ohio Department of Education in 2022-2023.

The schools received higher performance index scores (measuring overall student achievement) than the local district on the two most recent report cards. In addition, the schools achieved 4-star value-added ratings (measuring student growth as being more than one full year in a year's time). These two measures, along with being sponsored, or accredited, by a high quality sponsor, qualified them for this distinction.

Receiving this award as we collectively recover from the pandemic is a testament to the hard work of our dedicated staff, families, and volunteers in support of our students.



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OF QUALITY**

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# THE Intergenerational S C H O O L

2022-2023

The Intergenerational School (TIS - East) is transforming the educational experience for students and families. For over 20 years, TIS – East has been a leader in K-8 education with an approach like no other public school. Our students are curious learners surrounded by innovative learning opportunities, making TIS – East a top performing school and a joyful place to learn. The Intergenerational School is part of an award-winning network of public charter schools in Cleveland that help children learn at their own pace in a diverse and supportive community environment. The Intergenerational Schools have:

- Small, multi-age/multi-grade classes
- Individually paced learning
- Nationally recognized educational model
- Intergenerational Learning Partners from the community to support every child

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# The Intergenerational School- East

## Finance and Governance

### School Board

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**Karen Thompson**, HR Advisory Council Member

**Lee Trotter**, School Representative, Friends of the Intergenerational Schools

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

#### Income

State \$2,105,351

Federal \$1,650,997

Tax Distribution \$288,837

Philanthropy \$15,302

Other \$392,805

**Total Income \$4,453,292**

#### Expenses

Salaries & Benefits \$1,835,798

Purchased Services \$1,006,477

Supplies & Materials \$123,194

Other (incl. Depreciation) \$96,667

**Total Expenses \$4,453,292**

**Surplus \$1,391,156**



THE  
Intergenerational  
S C H O O L

#### Sponsor Statement:

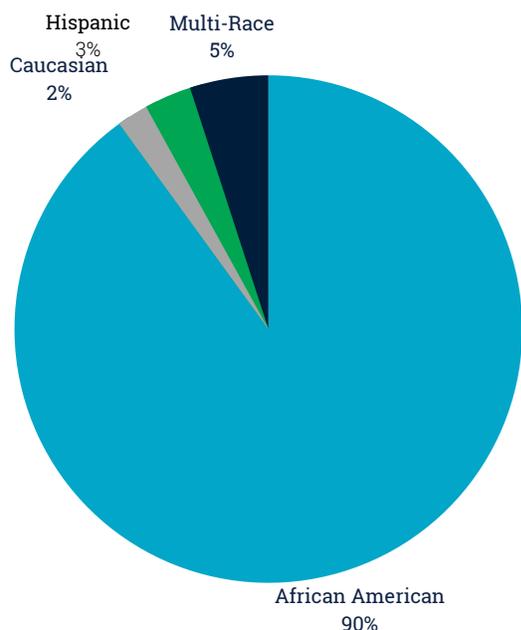
The Educational Service Center of Lake Erie West (ESCLEW) served as sponsor for The Intergenerational School during the 2022-2023 school year. ESCLEW monitored the school's academic and fiscal performance, as well as organization and operation of the school, and determined that the school was overall compliant.

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# The Intergenerational School- East

## Demographic Snapshot

TIS-East Students, 2022-2023



## Our Students Are From:

Bedford	2%
Cleveland	70%
Cleveland Heights	6%
East Cleveland	3%
Euclid	>1%
Garfield Heights	22%
Maple Heights	2%
Parma	>1%
Richmond Heights	1%
South Euclid	1%
University Heights	1%
Warrensville Heights	>1%

- TIS gained a star on their State Report Card in Early Literacy and tripled their Component score from last year. Their 3rd grade proficiency score in English-Language Arts increased almost 10%
- Although there is much work to do, TIS-East students improved on the Ohio State Test scores from 2022 in 3rd grade reading, and 4th, 5th, and 8th grade math.
- TIS-East students outscored their district peers in 9 of 14 tested subjects.

## TIS-East Total Enrollment: 206



Average-Class Size: 16

**TIS-East students performed higher across multiple test and progress areas than the four closest neighborhood district schools.**



# The Intergenerational School- East

## Empowering Creativity and Recognizing Student Excellence

The Intergenerational School-East welcomed Dr. Mario Clopton-Zymler as their new Principal in 22-23 (pictured on page 8 with students). Many beloved TIS-East traditions continued including the fifth annual STEAM Fair (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics). At the fair, students enthusiastically applied scientific methods and integrated various forms of learning into their experiments and research, which they presented to the volunteer judges.

During the popular Kaleidoscope Celebration of the Arts, all of the school hallways turned into galleries showing off the talents of TIS students through their creative works in the styles of Klee, Van Gogh, Basquiat, and others. Older students created their own logos and perspective studies. This captivating exhibition featured a wide range of art forms and included memorable musical performances. Families were in awe of the array of talent displayed by our K-8 students.

Students also cleverly incorporated the arts into their literacy studies, as they recreated covers of their favorite books. Additionally, some ambitious students took on the challenge of reading 800 books, demonstrating their love of reading.



**These displays of boundless learning not only strengthen student connections but also serve as vivid demonstrations of their profound passion for learning. Each exhibit is a testament to their curiosity and commitment to lifelong learning.**



# Lakeshore

## Intergenerational School

2022-2023

Lakeshore Intergenerational School (LIS) is a public charter school in Cleveland's Collinwood neighborhood. This growing school educates students in grades K-8. Students thrive in a diverse community of intergenerational learners.

Lakeshore is part of an award-winning network of public charter schools in Cleveland that help children learn at their own pace in a diverse and supportive community environment.

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# Lakeshore Intergenerational School

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**Mark Olson**, Facilities Advisory Council Chair

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### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

#### Income

State \$1,871,657

Federal \$797,796

Tax Distribution \$120,318

Philanthropy \$2,574

Other \$374,078

**Total Income \$3,166,424**

#### Expenses

Salaries & Benefits \$1,458,455

Purchased Services \$956,737

Supplies & Materials \$140,418

Other (incl. Depreciation) \$18,398

**Total Expenses \$2,574,008**

**Surplus \$592,416**



**Lakeshore**  
Intergenerational School

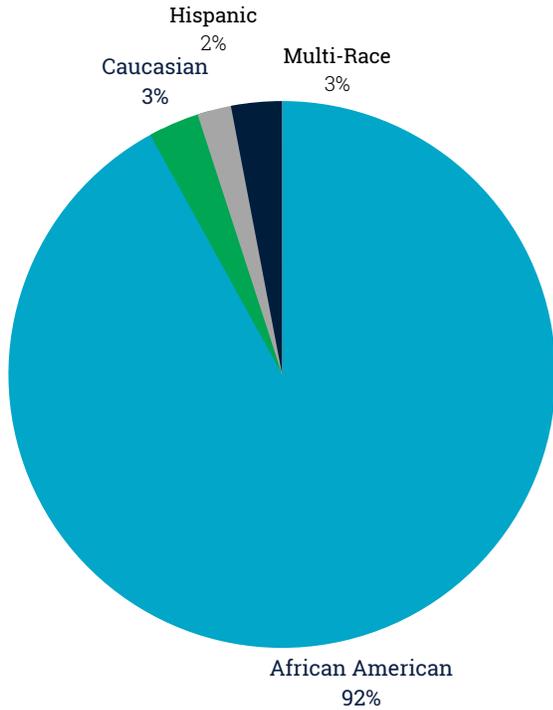
#### Sponsor Statement:

Lakeshore Intergenerational School is proudly sponsored by the Cleveland Metropolitan School District. For more information please visit [www.clevelandmetroschools.org/Page/13633](http://www.clevelandmetroschools.org/Page/13633)

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# Lakeshore Intergenerational School

## Demographic Snapshot LIS Students, 2022-2023



- Lakeshore welcomed a new Principal, Curtis Walker, during the summer of 2023. Mr. Walker comes with over seven years of experience leading a top performing charter school in Arizona.
- LIS celebrated Black History Month with a series of African American Read-Ins where prominent community members came to read to our students.
- LIS students achieved year-over-year growth in middle school English-Language Arts.

## Our Students Are From:

Cleveland.....	58%
Cleveland Heights.....	6%
East Cleveland.....	>1%
Euclid.....	28%
Garfield Heights.....	>1%
Maple Heights.....	>1%
Richmond Heights.....	>1%
South Euclid.....	2%

**LIS Total Enrollment: 176**



Average Class Size: 18

**LIS students performed higher across 12 of 14 tested subjects than their neighborhood district school.**



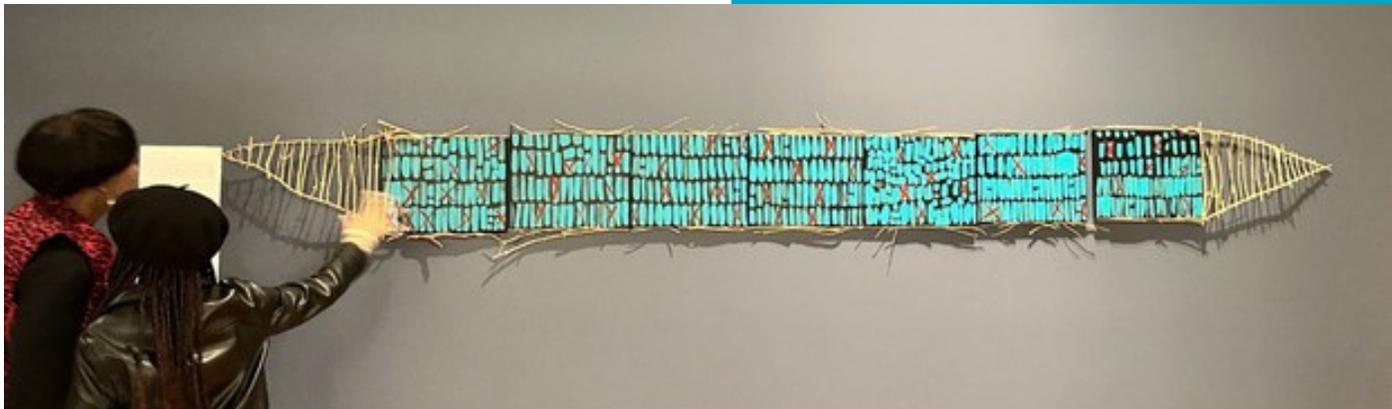
# Lakeshore Intergenerational School

## Our Voices Matter: Students Tackling Social Justice Through Art

Students from Lakeshore Intergenerational Schools participated in an exhibition at Akron's Summit Artspace in partnership with the non-profit Art Resistance Through Change (ART-C). "We Matter: Community Voices on Social Justice" was focused on intergenerational connection between schools, and justice, equity, inclusion, and belonging in the wider community.

Students' remarkable talents were displayed publicly, and represented their interpretations of issues ranging from colorism and racism to Black history and the wider social conversation around policing and communities.

The project began with each student researching their chosen topic, then writing and editing a companion paper. Students also documented their art-making process, and included activism, such as contacting elected representatives. Students were given a choice as to selling or keeping their art. Proceeds from art sales went to an organization aligned with student concerns. Exhibited in February and March, this artwork illustrates a sense of spirited citizenship among Lakeshore learners that extends far beyond the classroom.





# Near West

## Intergenerational School

2022-2023

In 2011, a group of parents seeking a high-quality public school for their children helped bring this award-winning educational model to Ohio City. Today, Near West Intergenerational School is a top performing school whose students are excelling in the areas of Language Arts and Mathematics.

Near West is part of an award-winning network of public charter schools in Cleveland that help children learn at their own pace in a diverse and supportive community environment. Our schools have small, multi-age/multi-grade classes that allow children to learn and teach alongside each other and older adults who serve as Learning Partners.

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# Near West Intergenerational School

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### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

#### Income

State \$1,911,653

Federal \$1,264,150

Tax Distribution \$304,348

Philanthropy \$15,759

Other \$597,921

**Total Income \$4,093,871**

#### Expenses

Salaries & Benefits \$1,801,153

Purchased Services \$778,938

Supplies & Materials \$140,551

Other (incl. Depreciation) \$17,390

**Total Expenses \$2,738,032**

**Surplus \$1,355,839**

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## Near West Intergenerational School

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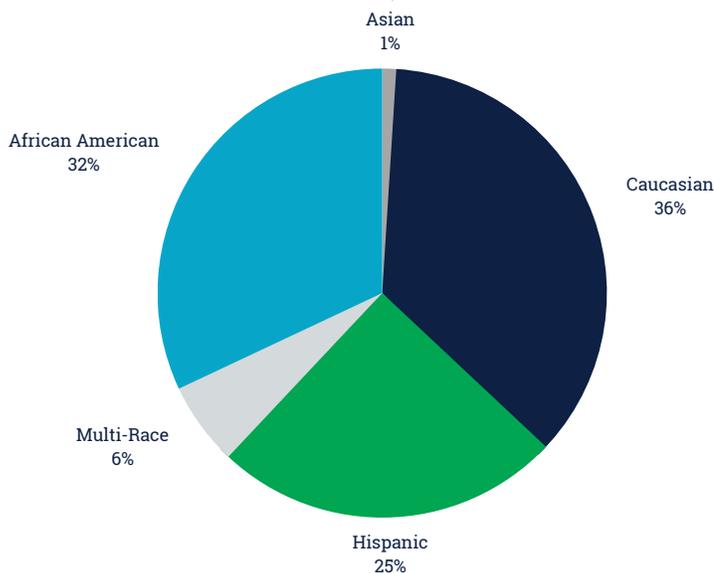
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# Near West Intergenerational School

## Demographic Snapshot

NWIS Students, 2022-2023



- NWIS exceeded expectations in closing learning gaps school-wide in state assessments.
- Near West students outperformed their district peers in 14 of 14 tested subjects.
- Near West improved in 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th grade Math scores from 2022; and 4th, 6th, and 7th grade English Language Arts scores, meeting or exceeding growth expectations across multiple test areas.

### Our Students Are From:

Brooklyn	>1%
Cleveland	85%
Cleveland Heights	1%
Elyria	1%
Euclid	>1%
Fairview Park	1%
Garfield Heights	1%
Maple Heights	>1%
Newburgh Heights	>1%
North Olmsted	2%
Oberlin	>1%
Parma	>1%
Parma Heights	2%
Richmond Heights	1%
Seven Hills	>1%

**NWIS Total Enrollment: 213**



**Average Class Size: 16**

**NWIS outperformed the 10 nearest district and charter schools on the state's achievement rating.**



# Near West Intergenerational School

## Connecting to Families, the Community, and the Real World

Near West students and families participated in a Celebration of Learning last spring. The event included an art show that displayed notable student-produced pieces. Additionally, families enjoyed musical performances and yoga for all ages. This is just one way that shows how much Principal, April Maimone, is dedicated to building strong partnerships with families and welcoming them into the school.



Near West Intergenerational School hosted Joe Brewer from Bioregional Activators Network at the Barichara River Watershed in Colombia, South America, to discuss local environmental issues and what students can do to make a difference in their communities.

Applying Stage (7th and 8th grade) students traveled by bus to Case Western Reserve University for a forum on sustainability with thought leaders in the field. Connecting to experts in the field, Near West students were introduced to bioregionalism and what it means to best leverage the natural resources in Northeast Ohio for a sustainable future.



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# Friends of the Intergenerational Schools

## Board of Directors:

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## Boundless Learning

In 2022, the Friends of the Intergenerational Schools (FIGS) held our inaugural biennial gala, **Boundless**, at the Tudor Arms Hotel. With over 150 attendees and bringing in \$34,347, it was much more than just a great party. Our community came together to celebrate our students, even purchasing some of their artwork. We are planning another celebration in 2024, and we hope to see you there!



# Looking Forward

## Parents as Spirited Citizens

Our schools have been a remarkable solution for many families, providing a nurturing and enriching educational environment for their children. Parents from the Intergenerational Schools visited Columbus in May, for the opportunity to advocate and share personal stories and experiences with state lawmakers, showcasing the benefits the schools for their families. Together, we are making a difference and ensure that the voices of our community are heard.



## Lifelong Learners

When older and younger generations work together, they gain skills, values, and knowledge...exchanging ideas, building friendships, and sharing a love of learning. These special relationships, extend education beyond the classroom by providing students with another opportunity to practice literacy and math skills.

Together, we're building a community that reaches far beyond our school walls and children's elementary years. With our Learning Partners and Volunteers, our community deepens and everyone benefits. Learn more about becoming a volunteer at [igschools.org/volunteer](https://igschools.org/volunteer).

# Connect with us!



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