



Patterson Park & Clay Hill
PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS



2021

Annual Report

Patterson Park Public Charter School, Inc.



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Hello Friends,

When I think about the 2020-2021 school year, I can't believe it all happened in just one year's time! Patterson Park Public Charter School went from 100% virtual learning in the Fall to hybrid learning in the Spring to in-person camps in the Summer, all while preparing for Clay Hill Public Charter School's opening in the following Fall. This year was hard, really hard, but reading this report was a breath of fresh air because it reminded me of everyone who came together to support our students, our city's future.

Each shift required something new.

A 100% virtual environment required every student and staff member to have an electronic device and access to the internet at home. Many partners helped us source these, from Su Casa and other businesses in Fells Point who donated student Chromebooks to the Department of Labor who provided staff computers. These donations allowed us to distribute 477 chromebooks and hotspots to ensure students had access to instruction.

The hybrid environment called for new safety regulations and supplies. We had parents, like Meghan Greeley, Chris Morrone, Marjorie Smith, Molly Francis and Tanya Smith, who stepped up to provide guidance on procedures and Joann Hunsberger, a critical care doctor, who secured clear mask donations.

In-person summer camp demanded the need to expand our partnership to serve older students impacted by the pandemic. Elev8 stepped in to serve our rising middle school students to combat learning loss brought on by the pandemic.

Each of these shifts was in service of students. For example, new student Randy, was in Kindergarten during the 2020-2021 school year. He struggled with virtual learning; he had difficulty connecting with his peers online and needed more one-on-one support to remain engaged. As a result, Randy was one of the first students invited to partake hybrid learning. While learning in-person, Randy connected with friends, experienced better engagement, and on-site staff discovered a need for and was able to provide support for fine motor skill development.

This year was also unique in that we worked to enroll over 180 more students by completing construction and opening Clay Hill Public Charter School in Fall 2021.

If you are receiving this report, it is because you helped us one way or another during the 2020-2021 school year and I cannot thank you enough! It is the love of our community - and individuals like you - that made this all happen. We were able to care for, support, and encourage our students because they are a part of a community that loves them all. Thank you for having our back this year, holding us up, and supporting our students as we faced the challenge of a lifetime.

With gratitude,



OUR EDUCATIONAL MODEL

Vision

Life-long learners, healthy families, and strong neighborhoods

Mission

To empower the school community - through a whole-child educational approach in a diverse, community-centered learning environment - to be stewards of an equitable future.

Whole-Child Approach

Excellence: Challenging every child to excel using interdisciplinary, thematic, hands-on instruction that infuses the arts and fosters creativity and critical thinking.

Wellness: Providing a safe environment to maintain and improve the physical, mental, social, and emotional health of every child and family.

Identity: Encouraging every child's identity development through personal growth and an understanding of historical contexts of race, gender, and other expressions of self.

Love: Cultivating a network of committed, caring individuals and strengthening family and community structures that support healthy interpersonal relationships.



From left to right: Principal, Dr. Kramer, doing a read-aloud outside and Ms. Oliver teaching class outside.

PATTERSON PARK PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL



Demographics

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Students

PreK - 8

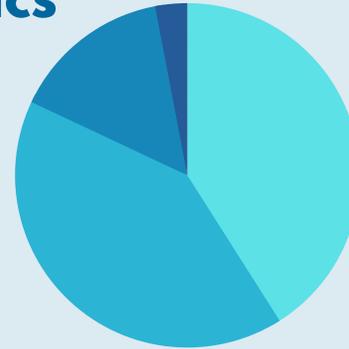
Grades

13%

Students with Disabilities

22%

English Language Learners



41%

Black

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Hispanic

16%

White

2%

Other

Attendance

93.34%

overall attendance rate

411

students with 5 or less absences

138

students with perfect attendance

477

devices or hotspots borrowed to attend distance learning

Academic Achievement

ELA

55.67%

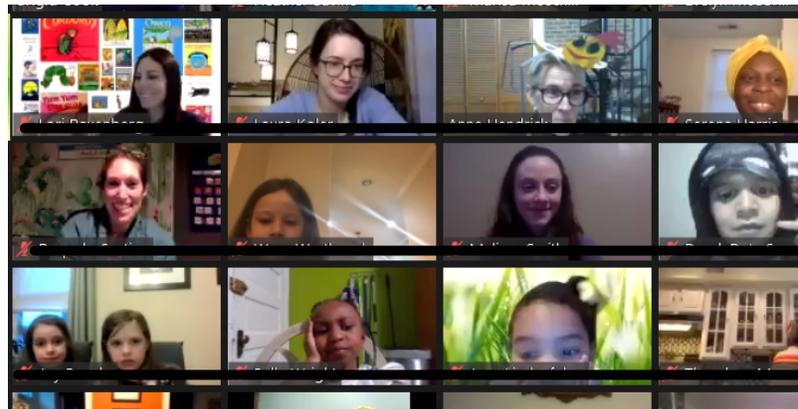
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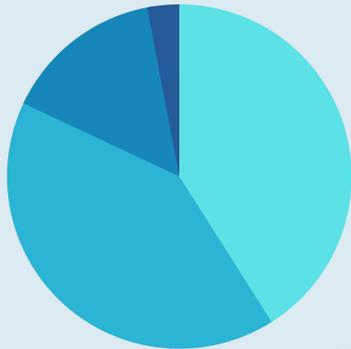
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COMMUNITY SCHOOL

As a Community School, PPPCS creates a network of partnerships with other community resources that promote student achievement and community well-being. Our integrated focus on academics, enrichment, health and social supports, youth and community development, recreation, employment, adult education and family engagement leads to student success, stronger families and healthy communities.

63

Students participated in PPPCS's afterschool program, Providing Avenues for Student Success

300

winter coats donated

25

Students participated in a PPPCS's Middle School Summer Program, Level Up, with Elev8 Baltimore

484

Individual Volunteers

62

Strategic Partnerships

3,320

Volunteer Hours

80

Students participated in PPPCS's rising Kindergarten to 6th grade summer program, Summer Fun Camp

30

students received counseling services

10

Students hosted by PPPCS as part of the Youthworks program

2025

bags or boxes of food distributed to families

650

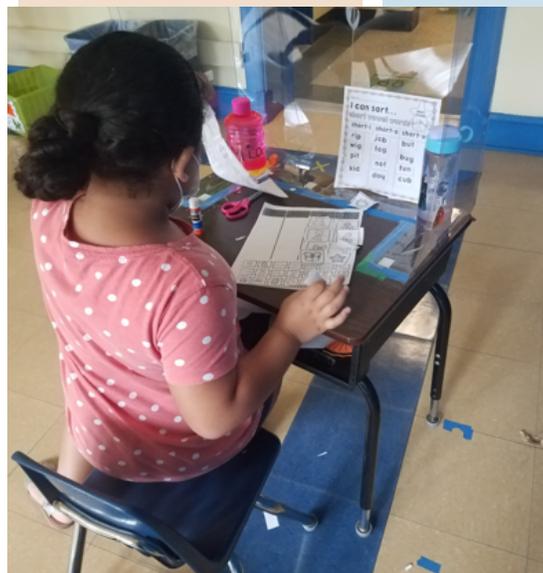
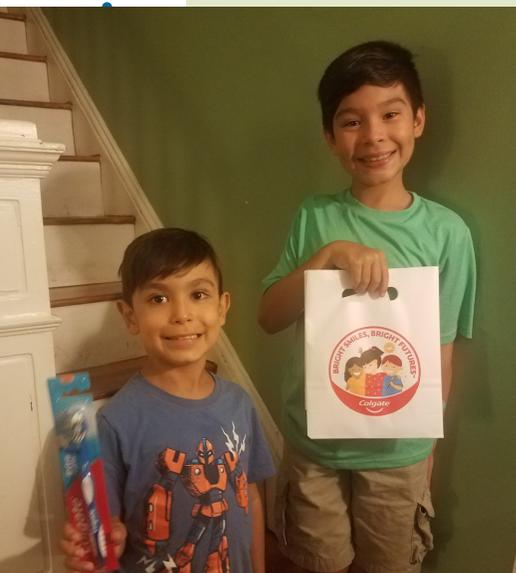
families received food supports

48

Parent Support Groups or Parental Workshops

400

dental kits donated



From left to right: Students receiving their dental kits, student in Summer Fun Camp, volunteer event at Clay Hill.

CLAY HILL PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL



PPPCS, Inc. worked feverishly to open Clay Hill Public Charter School in Fall 2021.

2016

PPPCS, Inc. identified the need for another school like PPPCS. Southeast Baltimore had an 1,800 academic seat deficit and PPPCS was in high demand receiving six applications for every open seat.

2017 - 2019

PPPCS, Inc. staff began planning for expansion, created a charter application that outlined plans for academics, school culture, hiring, enrollment, facilities, and a school budget. PPPCS, Inc.'s plan was approved to open Clay Hill Public Charter School!

2019 - 2020

The school's founder group, made up of staff and local community members, was formed and began executing the plan outlined in the charter application. Clay Hill's opening was delayed due to the global pandemic.

2021

PPPCS, Inc. signed a lease and began construction at 6410 E. Pratt Street. CHPCS staff were hired and families were enrolled for the following year.

August 2021

Clay Hill Public Charter School opened its doors to 186 students in Kindergarten through 3rd grade. Clay Hill will incrementally grow to serve 540 students in Kindergarten through 8th grade.

School Founders

Aaron Fries
 Alan Sun
 Amir Francois
 Ankit Aggarwal
 Astrid Bharath-Pierce
 Bess Aquila
 Bill Mules
 Candace Caraco
 Carissa Perry-Parrish
 Carol Wagner
 Cesar Romero
 Charles Conner III
 Charles Kramer
 Charletta McClean
 Chris Scott
 Debbie Mattera
 Deborah Fajuyigbe
 Drew Vetter
 Elisha Coleman
 Elizabeth Lopez
 Elizabeth Obara
 Emily Augustine
 Heather Savino
 Jackie Rone
 Jane Lindenfelser
 Jason Trageser
 Jenna Adams
 John Wesby
 Julie Neale Taylor
 Katie O'Hara
 Kim Forsythe
 Kim Francois
 Klinton Kinder
 Kristin Wallach
 Lauren Eaton
 Lauren Stutzman
 Lazette Wells
 Liam Knott
 Lucia Islas
 Marisa Moschelle
 Marlon Amprey
 Mike Ball
 Natasha Perry
 Nicole Utech
 Patrick Irish
 Paul Rishar
 Risa Dure
 Rob Glotfelty
 Sarah Sandoval-Mohapatra
 Scheronda Gilliam
 Shefali Buch
 Tasha Johnson
 Telia Shipowick
 Tom Consroe



From left to right: Founding Clay Hill family at Spring Service Event and staff testifying at charter application hearing.



SPOTLIGHTS

Students

Tamryn Taylor-Wood

First grader, Tamryn, is committed to learning all year long! Tamryn spent the summer in Georgia with her grandma, but that didn't stop her from attending virtual coding classes with Ms. Pinkett. She attended classes while on the road and made sure her mom showed her grandma how to help her log-in for classes. She never missed a class or an assignment!

Freya Sherwood

Third grader, Freya, is a top reader! She read for 1,260 minutes during this year's Read-a-Thon.

Gianna (Gia) Udes

Seventh grader, Gia, sought to give back! Gia reached out to our school guidance counselor to find a volunteer opportunity during her recess break and soon became Ms. Koler's Pre-Kindergarten Play Time Leader. Gia exhibited kindness and patience while leading students through educational playtime activities.

Class of 2021

Eleven students from the Class of 2021 have perfect composite scores!

Charles Bahr

Imogen Brown

Izabela Carranza

Nevaeh Carter-Booth

Nubia Diaz-Velasquez

Violette DiGirolamo

Marshall Greer

Kassia Hughes

Nell Hutchinson

Brissia Lopez-Castro

Makenzie Smith



From left to right: Tamryn, Freya, Gia, and the Class of 2021 at the start of their educational career (PreK).

SPOTLIGHTS CONTINUED

Providing Avenues for Student Success

Family League of Baltimore and Clayton Baker Trust funded 65 students in our daily, afterschool program focused on reading skills and wellness.

Partnerships

Food Access

PPPCS partnered with the Maryland Food Bank, St. Elizabeth of Hungary, The Door, and Saval to give out over 2,000 bags of food to PPPCS families and the surrounding community.

Elev8 Baltimore

PPPCS had a new opportunity this year to offer academic programming to middle schoolers over the summer to combat learning loss caused by the pandemic. We partnered with Elev8 Baltimore to offer Freedom School programming to 25 6th, 7th, and 8th graders.



Alumni

Michelle Dominguez Cabrera

This year's alumni sponsorship winner is Michelle Dominguez Cabrera. After graduating from PPPCS in 2017, Michelle went on to Cristo Rey for high school, interned at Johns Hopkins Kimmel Cancer Center, and is on her way to Loyola University for college. We are so proud of you, Michelle!

Amaiya Walker

Amaiya Walker, also a member of PPPCS's Class of 2017, went on to attend Baltimore City College High School. Amaiya was accepted to 11 colleges and received a full scholarship to her top pick college, Xavier University in New Orleans!

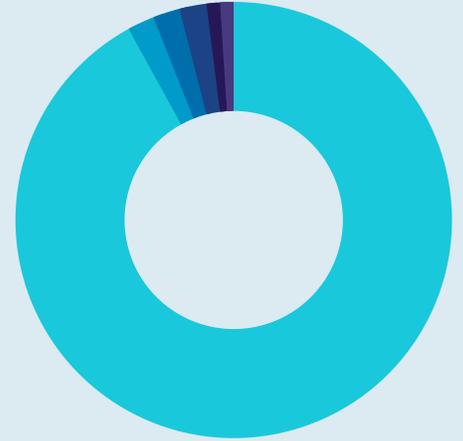
From left to right: Michelle Dominguez Cabrera, Morning Meeting with Elev8 Baltimore, and Amaiya Walker



FINANCIALS AND DONATIONS

Financials - Expenses

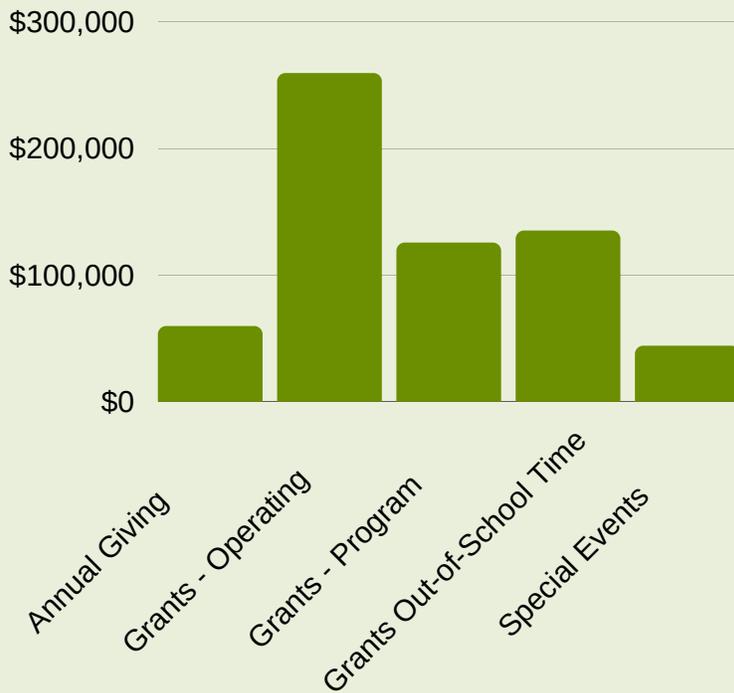
- Payroll - 92%
- Contracted Services - 2%
- Facilities - 2%
- Other - 2%
- Technology - 1%
- Materials & Supplies - 1%



This data comes from an external audit comprised of consolidated statements of financial position as of June 30, 2020.



Donations



Thank you to all of our friends who gave to PPPCS, Inc. in such generous proportions. We greatly appreciate your dedication.

In an effort to honor every contribution made to PPPCS, Inc 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 had during the 2021-2022 school year without every contribution and are using this report to highlight and demonstrate the impact of contributions in all forms

From left to right: In-person instruction



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