



Bridges Preparatory Academy

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Bridges Preparatory Academy- Tiffin, OH (IRN #000311)

Annual Report

2019-2020

Description of School

Formerly Bridges Community Academy during the 2019-2020 academic year Bridges was a community school specializing in programming flexibility for at-risk students. The at-risk student population at Bridges Community Academy ranged from accelerated and gifted learners to students with developmental delays or documented disabilities. In May of 2020, Bridges Community Academy completed its 16th year of direct instruction and professional support from faculty, support staff and paraprofessional support for grades KG- 12. Bridges Community Academy students reside within the 30-minute radius of Tiffin, OH.

Bridges Community Academy offered comprehensive curriculum for all grades in English/ Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies. Additionally, Bridges Community Academy offered grade appropriate, Business Informatics courses for grades 7-12. Specialized attention was provided for students experiencing various barriers impacting their academic and personal success. Barriers facing the students at Bridges Community Academy included but was not limited to, intervention needs including cognitive or behavioral issues, mental health, absenteeism, family/ life crisis or socioeconomic status. Bridges Community Academy believes in a holistic approach to intervention strategies necessary for student success.

Vision Statement

The Vision Statement for Bridges Community Academy during the 2019-2020 academic year was: *“The vision of BCA is to inspire students to be successful and to be college, career, and community ready”.*

Mission Statement

The Mission Statement for Bridges Community Academy during the 2019-2020 academic year was: *"The mission of BCA is to utilize the Common Core Standards by engaging students individual learning styles through technology, differentiation and education plans designed for each student"*.

Demographic Data

During the 2019-2020 academic year, Bridges Community Academy had a total of 147 students enrolled in grades KG-12 as follows:

Kindergarten	12
1st Grade	8
2nd Grade	7
3rd Grade	12
4th Grade	11
5th Grade	10
6th Grade	12
7th Grade	18
8th Grade	14
9th Grade	9
10th Grade	13
11th Grade	11
12th Grade	10

Race, 2019-2020

Caucasian or White	81.63%
Black or African American	1.36%
Hispanic or Latinx	4.76%
Multi-Racial	12.24%

Disability Services, 2019-2020

Students with Disabilities	29.3%
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Economically Disadvantage

Students Economically Disadvantaged	85.4%
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Education

Bridges Community Academy followed the education plan as agreed upon with the sponsor of the state. Bridges Community Academy received an overall rating of “D” on the most recent Ohio Department of Education School Report Card. Bridges is committed to continual improvement of student performance and overall student success. In following through with this commitment, Bridges will reconfigure to serve Kindergarten- 6th grade students only, for the 2020-2021 academic year. Students at Bridges will continue to be taught through holistic measures and high quality teachers, and professional staff.

Financial

Fiscal Year 2020

FINANCIAL INFORMATION		
CARRY OVER	\$ 353,764.00	
REVENUE	\$1,272,397.00	
TOTAL	\$1,626,161.00	
FY20 EXPENDITURES		
INSTRUCTION	\$ 728,092.00	51.00%
SUPPORT	\$ 274,561.00	19.00%
ADMIN OFFICE	\$ 380,964.00	27.00%
FISCAL	\$ 19,709.00	2.00%
OPERATIONS	\$ 18,126.00	1.00%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,421,452.00	100.00%

Governance

Bridges Community Academy Governing Authority strives for the continual enhancement of Bridges through effective decision making and, policy and procedural development. The Bridges Community Academy Governing Authority provides a diverse wealth of knowledge and experience in education and community representation. The Governing Authority meets once, monthly in addition to special meetings.

Academic Assessment & Accountability

Students at Bridges Community Academy have shown the need for additional support to reach proficiency levels across all content areas in all grades. Comprehensive Achievement Data indicates the need for improved student preparedness for state testing and established thresholds determined by the State. Bridges commitment to overall student success and achievement continues to remain the top priority. Bridges will provide students with continual support measures and quality instruction across English/ Language Art, Math, Science and Social Studies content areas.

Bridges Community Academy is in compliance with all laws and rules that are applicable to Community Schools. All state-wide tests are administered according to dates established by the Ohio Department of Education. Bridges Community Academy has submitted complete, accurate and timely data to ODE systems, including any required documentation.

Bridges Community Academy Governing Authority, 2019-2020 Academic Year

Erica Nye, President
Bonnie Ziegler, Vice President
Jennifer Gill, Board Member
Amanda Glick, Board Member
Lecia Wadsworth, Board Member

Dan Lamb, Treasurer (Lisa Biederman, Acting Treasurer)
Cathy Smith, Superintendent and Director

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A message from the Ohio Department of Education, Office of Ohio School Sponsorship

Ohio Revised Code (ORC)3314.03(D)(2) specifies that the sponsor of school must “monitor and evaluate the academic and fiscal performance and the organization and operation of the community school on at least an annual basis.”

All Ohio community school sponsors must evaluate each school and submit a written report of school academic, financial, organizational performance, and legal compliance to the Ohio Department of Education and make the report available to the parents of students enrolled in the community school.

The Ohio Department of Education, Office of Ohio School Sponsorship evaluates its sponsored schools on the performance of Ohio School Report Card indicators and on performance measures as listed in the school's community school Contract. It is noted that the Ohio School Report Card data is not available for this school year due to the Coronavirus State of Emergency Order as declared by Ohio's Governor, Mike Dewine.

The Office of Ohio School Sponsorship monitors the performance of its sponsored community schools through attendance at governing board meetings, on-site visits and through review of compliance assessments, monthly financial reports, and other reports related to the school's academic, financial and operational performance to ensure compliance with rule and law.