

Principal Report

August 18th 2022

Enrollment

Total currently enrolled: Projection for start of year 2022/2023 is 350 scholars. Classes started on time and carline in the afternoon continues to be a point of issue.

Summer Construction. (Started on Last day of school)

Items replaced year to date: New Floors
New Ceilings
New HVAC Vents (New roof units coming)
Walls cleaned /painted/ replaced

Coming soon: Athletic Building

Summer School Program

The summer session was a success. Scholars who needed some extra support in specific areas of academics were scheduled for summer school to assist them in making grade level progress and be prepared for next year. As we have experienced in the past, large number of scholars who were not at risk requested seats in the program. We stopped enrollment at 109 scholars as we did not have enough teachers. Junior support councilors (College students) aided in the classes. We had a lot of “students supporting students” occurring during class time as well as during lab. Benchmark data indicated the program was successful. A teacher team lead by Ms, Roberts (1st grade) supported by federal programs, developed the entire 4 week curriculum.

Accounting Letter of Understanding

The auditor we currently utilize, Bambo Sonaike, has delivered a “Management Representation Letter” (see attached). He is one of the accountants that the SCSC has agreed to pay for if we use him for our end of the year accounting. The letter is a statement of representations;

Annual Audit Report

This year’s financial audit has been forwarded to the board for review. Several items of note:

Schools net income exceeds the previous year

No Findings were reported in sections I II or III (see attached)

SCSC Expansion

The SCSC is currently seeking schools who are interested in expansion. We have completed the application of interest and will follow-up as more details become available. We have requested some direction from Gregg Stevens currently with the GCSA as he is working with the expansion initiative. Andrew Kee and Scot Hooper will be interviewed on Wednesday at 1:30 regarding school expansion.

(We were not accepted as a member.)

SCSC Framework Scores

The total scores for the 2020/2021 school year are now posted on the SCSC website.

Academics – Meets Standard

Financial – 100

Operations – 89

A specific break down is attached to this document.

Note: Frameworks scoring for the 2021/2022 school year opened on August 8th and will close on September 7th.

Parent Meeting on Security

Tuesday evening Odyssey will present a school security briefing for parents. Department of Homeland Security and FBI files were reviewed. 67 Threats to schools which were successfully De-escalated will be reviewed. Standard operating procedures for school security as directed by the Department of Homeland security was be discussed and demonstrated. The meeting took place Tuesday evening August 2nd at the Coweta county fairgrounds from 6:00pm to 7:30pm.

Academics

Milestone scores continue to come in. Superintendent Woods has requested we use this year as a new baseline for moving forward. US Department of Ed. Agreed. Data is being compiled an a comparison to district schools will be available for the next board meeting.

Staff Status

We are starting the school year with a licensed teacher in every classroom. We are still looking for 2 paraprofessional for classroom support in grades K – 5th .

The New Athletic Director and Gym teacher are looking for local gyms to use for practice. They intend to offer: Volleyball, Basketball, Track & field, soccer and possibly swimming .. (more to follow)

CoViD19

DPH has released a new bulletin regarding a SURGE in cases in the US.

Accelerated infection activity in the last 30 days in has caused immediate concern. Collages in Maryland and New York have gone back to required masks during classes.

We will monitor the CDC and DPH website for direction going into next school year.

- (1) <https://services.aap.org/en/pages/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-infections/children-and-covid-19-state-level-data-report/>

Monkey Pox's have been on the increase. We are monitoring but nothing to report at this meeting.

Charter Obligations

During the monthly meeting of the State Charter School Commission (SCSC) the state charter schools were listed on a performance matrix. Our current numbers are within acceptable ranges in our financial measurements:

Current assets divided by current liabilities	6.0	Exceeds Standard (1.0 to 3.0 Meets)
Unrestricted Cash	225 days	Exceeds Standard (Greater than 75)
Efficiency Margin	84%	Exceeds Standard (10% or Greater)
Debt to Asset ratio	25%	Exceeds Standard (Below 25%)

[Note: Total Liability 25% to 94% meets standard]

Note: An additional measurement will be added to the Frameworks next year

Income /Debt as a ratio.

QBE Funding for 2022

May QBE accurately reflect remaining total until August 2022. May QBE allotment was – 331,585. This is a \$50,000.00 increase over last month.

We should expect this to remain consistent until October Student Count.

Social Media Issues

Parents have called stating “Odyssey is losing all its teachers, para’s will be in the classrooms”. We believe this coming from a disgruntled ex-employee. We have had no local accounts of cyber bullying that we are aware of or TIK Tok Challenges that affect our scholars.

Pre-Planning

The preplanning schedule for the staff was Tuesday August 2nd 12:00 – 4:00pm.

Parent Night – a Parent Night at the Fairgrounds on Tuesday evening 6:00pm – 7:30pm. We discussed:

- *School Lockdown Procedures*
- *National Security Recommendations for School Safety*
- *Parent Reunification Process during school lockdown*
- *National Standards for Lockdown Procedures*

A direct mailer had been sent to all parents informing them of the meeting and subjects covered.

Approximately 65 parents were in attendance.