

## Principal Report

March 2024

### Enrollment

Total current enrolled for year 2023/2024 is 344 scholars. In the previous year we had 329 students at this time. Full Time Enrollment (FTE) counts are entered with the state in October and March. QBE adjustments are made based on these two enrollment figures. It is not unusual for young families to move in/on/or around January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Job changes, military assignments, Air-Line adjustments and seasonal layoffs all effect this change. Every elementary school in the country typically experiences this phenomenon.

### 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	Exceeds Standard – 20.76 (1.0 to 3.0 Meets)
Unrestricted Cash	Exceeds Standard – 336 (Greater than 75)
Efficiency Margin	Exceeds Standard – 165% (10% or Greater)
Debt to Asset ratio	Exceeds Standard - 11% (Below 25%)

### Parent Letter Regarding Board Openings

The letter to our parents announcing board openings was distributed on March 18<sup>th</sup>.

(See attached)

### Asbestos Management Plan Package – Included (3)

## **Staff Security Brief**

Wednesday March 6<sup>th</sup> Kim DiGiulio shared with the staff two specific situations reported by Homeland security as direct threats to a school in Georgia.

## **March Madness**

Tutoring sessions on Saturdays began on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and will continue on the 9<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup>. The first three Saturdays we begin tutoring at 9:00am and conclude at 12:00. This is a highly attended event and we typically have over 100 students on campus all three days. All grade levels have the opportunity to attend tutoring sessions.

## **Nurse office**

No rise in influenza or viruses have been noted since the winter break. We will continue to monitor and report as necessary. Last month we had 345 visits to the clinic by scholars.

## **Charter Renewal**

Our current charter expires on June 30<sup>th</sup> 2025. We will need to file an application by Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 for a renewal review. Comprehensive Performance Frameworks currently indicates a recommendation of 5 year renewal. We will confirm this position with the SCSC prior to the application.

## **State Charter School Contract Reviews**

The following Charter Schools were granted a new charter this month:

### **State Charter Schools Commission Concludes 2023-24 Renewal Cycle, Awards First 10-Year Renewal**

On February 28, 2024, the State Charter Schools Commission of Georgia (SCSC) Board of Commissioners voted to approve renewal recommendations for nine state charter schools, concluding the 2023-24 renewal cycle. This year's renewals include a notable 5-year renewal with an automatic additional five-year extension, essentially functioning as a 10-year renewal, for Pataula Charter Academy, recognizing its outstanding and consistent performance over the past terms. Additionally, Coweta Charter Academy, Georgia Cyber Academy, International Academy

of Smyrna, and International Charter Academy of Georgia were granted 5-year standard renewals.

Furthermore, Cirrus Charter Academy received a 3-year abbreviated renewal and SLAM Academy of Atlanta received a 2-year probationary renewal. Cherokee Charter Academy and Fulton Leadership Academy were nonrenewed.

These decisions reflect the SCSC's commitment to its mission of improving public education in Georgia by authorizing high-quality charter schools that provide high-quality educational opportunities.

### **Enrollment Lottery**

Held the lottery Tuesday March 5<sup>th</sup>. We posted it online by 4 pm for all parents to view. We had enough space for all applicants except 4th grade. We did pull that one lottery as we had 3 open seats and 14 applicants.

Emailed all families on Wednesday morning to confirm their enrollment status and included next steps for finishing up their enrollment. They have until April 30th to submit their registration to secure their spot. Anyone who doesn't complete registration by April 30th will be dropped and their seat given to the next student on our waiting list.

FTE, CPI, and Student Class State Reporting Cycles opened today. I should have them complete and ready for sign-off by first thing next week. The deadline is March 28th

### **Parent Teacher Conferences (Student Led Conference)**

The Coweta County school district reports a 12 to 14 % parent participation in parent conferences. This year Odyssey had 98% parent attendance. (With the following anomalies)

- One parent returned from the dead.
- Divorced parents started a physical altercation on the playground.
- Department of Family and Child Services – took a parent into custody following the meeting.
- Collect call from a woman's prison in Missouri

### **Teacher of the Year**

This year's Teacher of the Year will be announced next week. Teachers and Paras nominate the contestants, but only classroom teachers vote on the final award. This is a Peer to Peer and no administrators are involved in nominations or voting.

## **Open House**

42 families signed up for the evening open house from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. 28 families actually toured to school and visited with our teaching staff. All teachers were present for the open house. Most families stated they saw the bill board, looked on the website and saw the pop-up add for the open house so they decided to see the school.

## **Cognia Renewal**

The first three (3) training sessions were attended by Mr. Hooper, Ms. Wilson, Ms. Roberts and Ms. Bickerstaff. We have not received a schedule of the audit, but it should occur during the summer of 2024.

## **PSC Request.**

Mr. Hooper has requested a formal Hearing to be conducted by the Professional Standards Commission to review case no. 23-9-593.

## **Job Fair**

A job fair organized by the local Regional Educating Service Agency (RESA) was held on Saturday the March 9<sup>th</sup>. Several candidates have expressed interest in applying for positions in 2024/2025.

## **Website Movement**

Top Performing pages:	Odyssey Charter School	429
	School Calendar	99
	Faculty	54
Queries for school:	Odyssey Charter	76
	Odyssey Charter School Newnan	101
	Odyssey Charter School	59
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### **Construction of Gym**

Footings in the main building are complete under the existing foundation. One additional row is needed prior to installing the gym facility. Ground is being lowered for the concrete slab this week. Estimation on completion following installation of slab. (Weather?)

**Mr. Hooper's Contract expires in June of 2024.**