

# Cirrus Academy Charter School CEO Report December 12, 2016 Meeting

## **Enrollment**

Current enrollment is 453total. (Additional students are still enrolling.)

# 2016-2017 Benchmark Testing Update:

- GKIDS (Kindergarten) 1 out of 3 testing cycles completed.
- Dibels (1-6<sup>th</sup>) 1 out of 3 testing cycles completed will be completed by 11/2/2016
- MAZE (7<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup>) 1 out of 3 testing cycles completed
- Achievement data generated from GKIDS, Dibels, MAZE, and GOFAR using SDLS
- Second cycle of GOFAR scheduled for the week of 12/12/2016 for 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade

#### <u>Personnel</u>

#### TKES

- All teachers have completed the TKES orientation.
- Teachers are currently engaging in their individual Pre Evaluation Conferences

#### LKES

 Dr. Ashanti Johnson and Dr. Gail Fowler completed LKES training and passed the LKES exam on 11/3/2016

### Professional Development

- Teachers and staff are engaged in several in-house and external professional development activities
- Several instructional staff members are scheduled to take certification exams shortly.

#### Work Assignments

Job duties have been revised for two of our special education instructional staff A Parent Involvement Coordinator was hired and began working on November 1, 2016.

# Instructional Staff Interviews

Interviews have been conducted for several candidates for our open middle grades STEM teacher, kindergarten paraprofessional, part-time middle grades ELA teacher, first grade teacher, P.E. teacher and substitute teachers

# **Other Activities/Developments**

- Provided input regarding personnel items.
- Provided input regarding budget items. Revised Title I and Title II budgets to better align with current needs and personnel
- Continued working with Title I and Title II specialists to submit the necessary documentation to obtain funding

- Gained access to the GA DOE portal's Comparability Application
- Completed and submitted the required Comparability Report to the GA DOE
- Finalized and submitted our FY17 Local Education Agency (LEA) Equity Action Plan to the GA DOE
- Prepared, finalized and submitted our FY17 Targeted Assistance Plan to the GA DOE
- Preparing application for consideration of Cirrus Academy being designated as a Title I school, instead of a targeted assistance school.

### **Other Highlights**

- Polar Express Literacy Night was a success
- Cirrus Academy T-shirt sales were successful
- Facebook page which was re-established in Oct. 2016, continues to grow followers
- Boxtops for Education were submitted for fall award cycle.
- AmazonSmile fund raising program which was launched in Oct. 2016, has begun to receive donations on behalf of Cirrus Education Group
- Notice of Intent was submitted to the GADOE for the FY18 21st CCLC Grant. Continuing to explore potential partnerships with Real I.M.P.A.C.T Center, Inc. and STEM NOLA

# Fall Festival 2016 Funds

Funds Raised	3598.95
Security - Paid \$50.00 each to Deputy Sheriffs	100.00
Marcus Baker and Herman Beltran	
Reimbursement for Face Paint Supplies from	18.94
Walmart to	
(Ms. Q – Art Teacher)	
Reimbursement for Posters and Supplies from	8.56
Dollar Tree	
(Ms. Brinson – School Administrative Manager)	
Total Deposited 11/19/16	3471.45
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- Mercer University will place 4 interns at Cirrus Academy in January
- Central Georgia Technical College has agreed to explore ways to place additional interns at Cirrus Academy and develop a program that will allow IT students to gain hands on experience at Cirrus Academy.
- On-going discussions with Mercer University and Central Georgia Technical College regarding offering a STEM professional development course for their students at Cirrus Academy.
- Kidz Yule Love agreed to provide 300 toys for Cirrus Academy students
- Middle School students will compete in a reading comprehension bowl in February.
- Initiated conversation with Georgia Space Grant regarding student educational and teacher training opportunities.
- Initiated conversation with Dr. Isaac Crumbley to connect Cirrus Academy students with STEM programs at Ft. Valley State University.

• Outer doors were rekeyed, and three storage areas were also rekeyed for security purposes. **Expenses:** There are no anticipated purchases within the next 60 days in excess of \$5,000