



EEG News & Updates

Mission

The mission of the Educational Empowerment Group is to promote knowledge, wisdom and understanding to all stakeholders that empowers success in our global society.

Vision

The vision of the Educational Empowerment Group is to elevate the experience for students and stakeholders by positively changing the landscape of charter school education.

A Message from the CEO

Happy Summer to All! We are diligently strategizing and working behind the scenes to *Elevate the Experience* in our schools. Our top priority initiatives include academic improvement, increased school safety and targeted professional development. We are actively analyzing assessment and classroom walkthrough data to discover the correlation between instruction and student performance. We are also implementing exciting new safety and security measures, purchasing environmentally safe cleaning solutions and contributing to clean air in all of our schools. Further, we are planning for the event of the year, our first EleVate Education Summit. This summit is open to faculty, staff, sponsors and board members. Sessions were specifically designed to be of interest to every participant. We are anticipating a dynamic, interactive event that will foster collaboration, networking and camaraderie among educators.



We endeavor to strive towards achievement in all that we do, because ultimately, that is what education is... *"Doing what's best for kids!"*

Wendy Rydarowicz, Founder and CEO



In today's educational climate, safety is at the forefront of concerns in every school. The well-being of our students has always been essential to education. Therefore, EEG has prioritized school safety by promoting increased security in all schools. State-of-the-art, trusted products with proven results have been vetted and

purchased to enhance existing practices and add layers of protection. Take a look at how we have put safeguards in place to champion safety in our schools.

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As visitors enter each school, it is imperative that schools know the purpose for the visit. Additionally, it is important that visitors pose no danger or threat to the faculty, staff or students. We now have revolutionary technology which will screen each visitor using their driver's license or state-issued ID card. School officials will know immediately if the person is safe to enter the school or if they are flagged as a sex offender or dangerous perpetrator. If a person is flagged, they are denied access to the school. If they are accepted, a printed or digital ID badge is immediately created, and they are approved to visit the school. For more details on SchoolSafeID, click the following link: www.schoolsafeid.com

Developed by a police officer, the door barricade device is another layer of protection in the event of a lockdown. If an armed intruder enters the school, classrooms must be secured by closing and locking the door. This steel device allows teachers to quickly barricade the door to protect lives. The door barricade device is manufactured and utilized nationwide. It is proven to be effective. Learn more about the Bolo Stick here: www.bolostick.com

STAFFALERTER



Used in conjunction with StaffAlerter, Threat Extinguisher will assist with mass notification by alerting first responders with the precise location

During the month of June, EEG facilitated ALICE professional development for all schools. ALICE is an acronym for **A**lert, **L**ockdown, **I**nform, **C**ounter and **E**vacuate. This crucial training teaches faculty and staff how to respond if an armed intruder enters the school. StaffAlerter represents the **A** (Alert) in ALICE. StaffAlerter is a wireless panic button that immediately alerts law enforcement in the event of an emergency. Immediate notification is sent

of the school. It will also provide additional defense using a tactical-grade pepper gel when there is no other option. Additional details can be found here:

<https://www.threatextinguisher.com/>

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Introducing a product that effectively cleans and disinfects without exposure to dangerous chemicals. Most cleaning products cause irritation because the ingredients are poisonous. Using Stabilized Aqueous Ozone, Tersano has no chemicals, irritants, color, artificial scents or additives. It effectively cleans while protecting the health of individuals as well as the environment. We are excited to use this new, cutting-edge product which "changes the way the world cleans." Take a look:

www.tersano.com

throughout the building to alert teachers and staff of a lockdown. Messages are also sent to parents and stakeholders This Detect, Alert and Respond protocol eliminates time and extra steps. In emergency situations, acting deliberately and quickly can save lives. Click the link for more information:

www.staffalerter.com



We are contributing to clean air and surfaces by using systems to reduce mold, bacteria and viruses by 99.9%. This is a great strategy to fight against contagions which can cause sicknesses throughout the school, decreased attendance and staff shortages. This product will definitely promote success in our schools.

Read further:

www.extrememicrobial.com

"It is better to prepare and prevent than it is to repair and repent." - Ezra Taft Benson

School News

Our summer school programs are off and running, and our school leaders did not disappoint with integrating creativity and fun with remedial learning. Take a look at some of our enrichment programs that created memorable experiences for our students.

OCA Reading and Math Remediation Summer Program - MARVEL-ous Commitment!

Ohio Construction Academy offers a dynamic dual summer program which emphasizes academics and construction. Students will complete a novel study and demonstrate comprehension through

summaries, study questions and projects. Additionally, students will have the opportunity to complete projects and make up work and tests from their Electrical 1 and 2 courses and complete their performance evaluations for Core-Safety. Woodworking and carpentry students will be building wooden booths for the school's welding program that will debut in the Fall of 2023, and lab students will be rearranging the construction lab to create space for the new welding program. Moreover, students took field trips to the Veterans' Memorial and Book Loft.



Miami Valley Academies - Summer Sizzle



The MVA summer program is sizzling, as the school is focusing on the 5 Essentials of Reading and the Fundamentals of Math! MVA sponsored *Donuts with Dads*, and the brothers of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. (Dayton Chapter) volunteered by serving the dads and stepping.

Students enthusiastically participated in various activities, such as making character buttons, discussions on self-perception, crafts and plenty of reading, thanks to Dayton/Montgomery County Library (West Carrollton Branch). The library provided books for the students to take home. On June 29, the school celebrated the students with a recognition program and a field trip to

Skateland of Kettering.

This year, Miami Valley Academies collaborated with Girl Scouts of Ohio, Samaritan Behavioral Health, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and Dayton/Montgomery County Library (West Carrollton Branch). The school's community partnerships contributed to the success of the summer program.



Riverscape Summer School

The Riverscape Summer Enrichment Program is power packed with awesome learning experiences. The school partnered with East End Community Center and used their kitchen to create meals from recipes and write about their experiences in ELA class. These students are sharpening their writing skills through engaging experiences. Students are also learning about mythology. Further, science and art are infused into the summer program. RCT students participated in the following field trips this summer: GetAir Trampoline Park, a baseball game at Great American Ballpark, Reds vs. Colorado Rockies and the Air Force Museum. Future trips include COSI and Newport Aquarium.



Sportin' Summer School at BSP



The Bessie Sherrod-Price Preparatory Academy incorporated sports into its Summer Enrichment Program. The students have been learning about sports and exercise while working on academic improvement. They have read about several sports, Olympic athletes and ground-breaking minority athletes, such as Willie O'Ree, the first black NHL player. Amyah Grant, a member of a nationally ranked soccer team, visited the school and taught the students soccer basics. The students played a number of sports and games. All grades levels have participated in reading, writing and math exercises designed to promote growth. The third graders have also

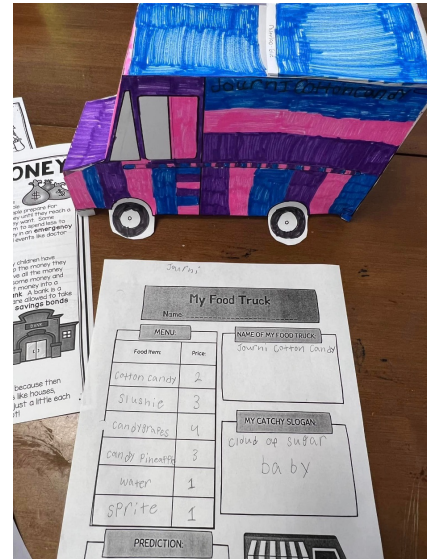
been very focused on the skills they need to get proficient scores on the

summer MAP assessment.

Students have learned about passing and punting footballs, how to play kickball and dodgeball, how to shoot a basketball and some basic tumbling and dancing skills. Additionally, students engaged in brain break workouts and discussed how many minutes of exercise to do each day.

Summer Enrichment at Main Preparatory Academy

The students at Main Preparatory Academy experienced a summer filled with fun and learning. They were able to tap into individual creativity and artistry while strengthening reading and math skills. MPA facilitated several wonderful projects during the summer. One of the notable projects was entitled Food Truck Lesson, in which students learned how to count, earn and save money. They were tasked with creating their own 3D food truck, down to the color and size of the last bolt. They then had to create a business name, menu, slogan and prices. Finally, students were tasked with calculating how much their days would cost the business, predicting how much they would earn on the first day and what their best selling items would be. What a fun way to learn!



Summer Fun at A+ Arts Academy Fair Campus



Karate, chess, ice hockey and the School of Rock were all added to summer learning at A+. While academic interventions were implemented to address skill deficits, fun and meaningful activities engaged the students and encouraged daily participation. The school partnered with Just 4 Them which is a community organization that services at-risk youth ages 8-23.

The Health Corner

Summer is here, so let the festivities begin! Most of us look forward to family gatherings and cookouts to commemorate the holidays and enjoy the fun of this season. In this month's issue of *Live Well, Work Well*, discover ways to practice safety.

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