



As a successful school ranking in the Top 5% of Ohio community schools, Cornerstone Academy recently expanded to a second campus in Westerville to serve high school students, a program the school is building by adding one grade level per school year. In addition to providing a rigorous college prep curriculum where students are learning one grade level ahead of peers, the school offers a broad range of extracurricular activities including Chess, Computer, Drama, Girls with a Purpose, Mock Trial, Recycle, and Running clubs, (Year-Around) Band, National Junior Honor Society, Student Council, and sports such as Basketball, Cross Country, Soccer, and Volleyball.

**SCHOOL INFORMATION**

**GRADES SERVED**

K - 10

**SCHOOL LEADERSHIP**

Luis Leon, Principal - Main Campus  
 Brian Carlton, Principal - Annex  
 Ashley Ferguson, Regional Vice President

**OPENED**

2004-05 School Year

**MANAGED BY ACCEL SINCE**

2015-16 School Year

**SPONSORED BY**

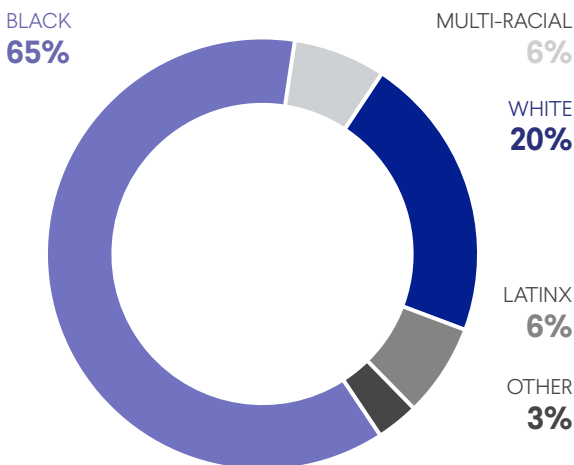
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**INSTRUCTIONAL & SUPPORT STAFF**

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE  **14**

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO  **8:1**

**ENROLLMENT DEMOGRAPHICS**



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| AVERAGE DAILY ENROLLMENT                               | <b>853</b> |
| AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE                               | <b>94%</b> |
| CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM                                    | <b>5%</b>  |
| ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS | <b>60%</b> |
| ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS                              | <b>6%</b>  |

**HIGHLIGHTS**

- Ranks in the Top 5% of Ohio Charter Schools on Performance Index, 2018-19
- B-Graded School by the Ohio Department of Education, 2018-19
- A-Rated on Overall Value-Added, 2018-19
- B-Rated on Progress, 2018-19
- Based on mid-year benchmarking assessment results for the 2019-20 school year:
  - 62% of Grade K-7 students and 63% of Grade 8 students were on track to make at least one year of growth in ELA (iReady®)
  - 58% of Grade K-7 students and 76% of Grade 8 students were on track to make at least one year of growth in Math (iReady®)
  - 70% of students in Grades 9 & 10 were on track to make at least one year of growth in ELA (Study Island)
- Over 30% of students participate in the College Credit Plus dual enrollment program through partnerships with The Ohio State University, Columbus State Community College, Otterbein University, and Central Ohio Technical College
- Elective courses in Band, Technology & Coding, Health, Introduction to Drawing, Visual Art, and Physical Education
- Community partnership with Serenity Behavioral Health Services to support mental health and counseling for students across all grades
- International travel and outdoor learning opportunities for students
- Over 95% student participation in Distance Learning during the COVID-19 outbreak in Spring 2020; only two weeks of instruction was lost throughout the crisis
- Recipient of the ACCEL Gold Award for exceeding academic and enrollment goals, 2018-19
- Offers 32% more instructional hours per year than the state's requirements for community schools
- Expansion through 11th Grade approved for 2020-21 school year



# 2019-2020 ANNUAL REPORT



CORNERSTONE  
ACADEMY

## MISSION STATEMENT

To offer each student a world-class, standards-based education with highly qualified professionals in a small group learning environment. When students are challenged to discover and expand their potential within a positive and consistent learning environment, there is no limit to what they can accomplish.

## SCHOOL BOARD

**Patrick Cusick**  
President

**Jonathan Downes**  
Vice President

**Dominique Black**  
Secretary

**Shiva Scotti**  
Treasurer

**Roy Holcombe**  
Board Member

**David Moody**  
Board Member



## SPONSOR STATEMENT

St. Aloysius, as the sponsor of this school, is legally mandated to provide oversight, monitoring, and technical assistance. As part of the monitoring process, the performance of the school on each of the required Ohio School Report Card components is assessed and evaluated. Additionally, St. Aloysius has a regular presence at school board meetings where student performance indicators such as attendance, behavior, and academic achievement are tracked and financial and organizational issues that impact student success are reviewed and discussed. Keys to oversight, monitoring, and support is St. Aloysius's review of the school's Ohio Improvement Process (OIP) plan development and implementation. As a result of our thorough oversight and monitoring, St. Aloysius has determined that this school is substantially compliant with the rules and regulations governing community schools.

All community school sponsors are required to submit a written report of the evaluation results of the school's academic (State prescribed academic data not available for SY2020), financial and organizational performance, as well as the school's legal compliance, to the Ohio Department of Education. This report must be made available to parents of students enrolled in the community school by November 30th of each year (OAC 3301-102-05 (A) (3)). An Annual Report regarding the performance of this school and other schools under the sponsorship of St. Aloysius will be posted on our website [www.charterschoolspec.com](http://www.charterschoolspec.com) no later than November 30, 2020. Parents are urged to review this report, in addition to other monitoring and evaluation reports available through the school or the sponsor for a full understanding of the school's performance.

## FINANCIAL DATA

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|-----------------------|--------------------|
| State Sources         | 7,601,049          |
| Federal Sources       | 799,672            |
| Local Sources         | 175,014            |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUES</b> | <b>\$8,575,735</b> |

|                       |                    |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Salaries & Wages      | 2,786,646          |
| Employee Benefits     | 858,703            |
| Purchased Services    | 2,105,119          |
| Supplies & Materials  | 197,484            |
| Capital Outlay        | 51,515             |
| Other Expenses        | 646,018            |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> | <b>\$6,645,485</b> |

At time of publication, 2020 fiscal year data was not available from the Ohio Auditor of State. For updated information visit: [www.auditor.state.oh.us](http://www.auditor.state.oh.us)

## ACADEMIC GOALS

- Each student will grow academically as measured by the school's internal benchmark assessments
- Each student will grow social-emotionally and influence his or her school environment in a positive manner