

# 2024-2025 Annual Report



Founded in 2005,  
**Cleveland Arts and  
Social Sciences  
Academy (CASSA)**



is a highly rated, award-winning charter school serving EK-8th grade students in the Buckeye Shaker community and surrounding areas. The school's college preparatory curriculum prioritizes creativity and hands-on, project-based learning. CASSA's safe and secure campus includes an auditorium, gymnasium, playground, and cafeteria. In addition to core subjects, students experience robust Fine Arts programming, character education, and athletic opportunities. CASSA fosters a vibrant school culture through a variety of extracurricular activities and events designed to engage parents and community members. Additionally, families can take advantage of complimentary breakfast and lunch services, transportation, and on-site counseling support, ensuring a nurturing and supportive educational experience.

**Mission Statement:** To provide all students with a content-rich, academically challenging education with a well-defined, sequential curriculum in a safe, orderly, disciplined environment.

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Grades Served

Early K-8

Students Served

365

School Year Opened

2005-2006

Managed By Accel Since

2015-2016



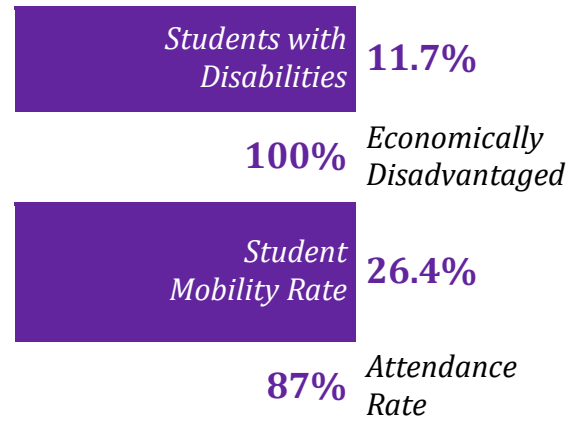
## Student Demographics



BLACK  
91.2%  
MULTI-RACIAL  
2.9%  
OTHER  
5.9%

NOTE: If Enrollment is less than 10, results are Not Calculated (NC)

## Special Populations



## Progress towards Goals

Student proficiency in **ELA** increased from 47.3% to 59.0% from SY 2024 to SY 2025.

Over the same time period, **Mathematics** proficiency increased from 63.2% to 86.3%.

**Achievement** rose 13.1 points on the Performance Index in one year.

## Our Academic Goals

- #1 By FY2028, the overall percentage of students reaching proficiency or above on state **English Language Arts** tests will increase by 20%.
- #2 By FY2028, the overall percentage of students reaching proficiency or above on state tests in **Mathematics** will increase by 25%.

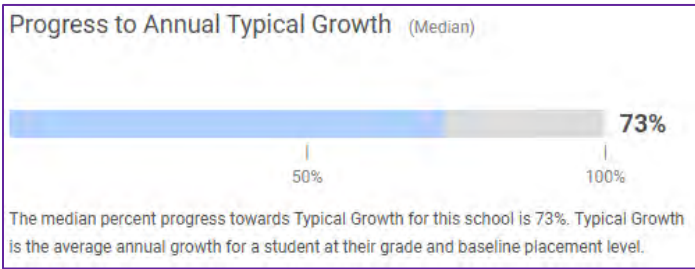
## State Report Card

Performance Index Score 92.8	Overall Rating ★★★★☆
Achievement Component ★★★★	Early Literacy Component ★★
Progress Component ★★★★★	Gap Closing Component ★★★★★

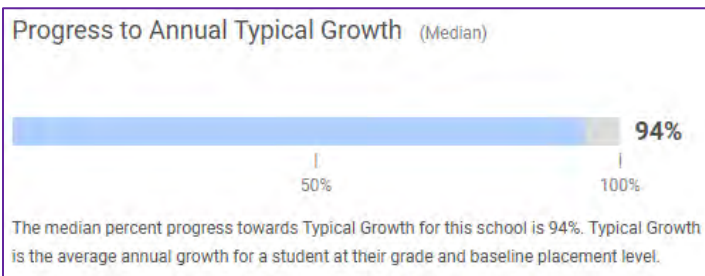




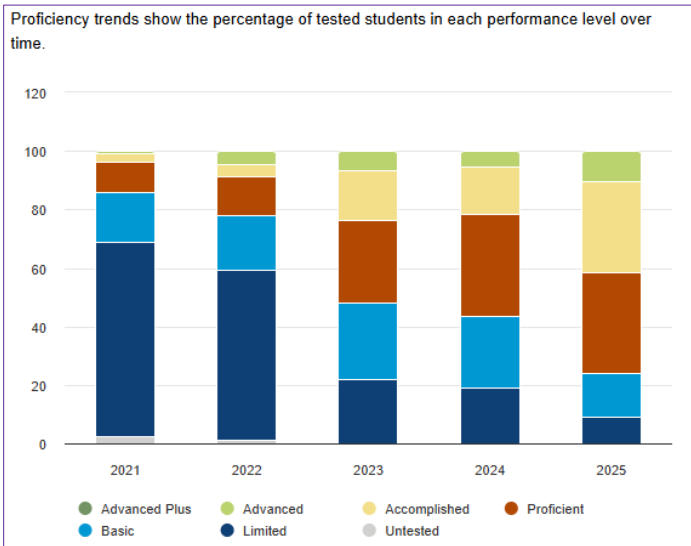
### iReady Reading



### iReady Math



### Percent Proficient at Cleveland Arts and Social Sciences



### Our Highlights

#### Academic:

- #7 Ohio Charter School in the State
- Scores in Top 30% of Ohio Schools
- #2 Charter School in Cuyahoga County
- 20% Increase in PI (Last 2 Years)
- 6 ACCEL Awards, including:
  - 2025 ACCEL SCHOOL OF THE YEAR!!!!
  - The highest score in Math on the SPR 2025 Ohio State Test!
  - The highest score in ELA on the SPR 2025 Ohio State Test!
  - The high score in Science on the SPR 2025 Ohio State Test!
  - The highest overall Performance Index (PI) score on the SPR 2025 Ohio State Test!
  - 23-24 Outstanding Student Progress!

#### Student Life:

- Strings Instruction
- Spirit Weeks
- Dance Classes
- Field Trips
- PBIS Book Vending Machine
- Sports and Cheer Teams
- Student and Staff sponsored clubs
- Performance Opportunities

#### Community:

- Annual Fathers and Father Figures Walk.
- Family of the Month
- Coats for Kids, My Spot for Project Warm, and Morning Star Baptist Church Partnerships

#### Staff Acolades:

- Staff Member of the Month



### Financial Data:

State Sources	4,956,617
Federal Sources	807,764
Local Sources	47,596
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$5,811,977</b>
Salary & Wages	1,909,188
Employee Benefits	545,650
Purchased Services	2,649,533
Supplies & Materials	424,644
Capital Outlay	47,375
Other Expenses	23,110
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$5,599,498</b>

- (1) Numbers in \$M
- (2) At the time of publication, 2025 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)

### Sponsor Statement:

Ohio Council of Community Schools (OCCS) uses various methods to evaluate the school's performance including published tests and other academic scores such as the Ohio Department of Education & Workforce Local Report Card and supporting data. OCCS regional representatives visit our partner schools regularly ensuring compliance with federal, state, and contractual requirements.

