

BCHF hosts annual All Schools Meeting

Buckeye Community Hope Foundation's 2017 All Schools Meeting featured keynote speaker Dr. Sue Szachowicz, a senior fellow with the International Center for Leadership in Education (ICLE).

Szachowicz shared the strategies used to transform Brockton High School from a "dropout factory" and "educational cesspool" into one of the 100 Best Communities for Young People.

She focused on the three R's – Rigor, Relevance and Relationships – and the power of a school-wide literacy program emphasizing reading, writing, speaking and reasoning.

"What Brockton did was simple, but not easy," she said.

A Brockton graduate herself, Szachowicz served students at the large urban high school about 30 miles from Boston for her entire teaching and administrative career where she witnessed the transformation of the school from grossly underperforming to a sustained model school.

Her message was both instructional and inspiring, and will hopefully serve as motivation to all who attended the dynamic event.

Representatives from 45 schools and eight management companies were in attendance.

Top performing schools honored

Buckeye Community Hope Foundation's recent All Schools Meeting hopefully inspired all who attended as they face the challenges of the new school year. But it also served as an opportunity to celebrate success as measured by state school report cards for the 2016-2017 school year recently released by the Ohio Department of Education. Congratulations to all on their academic accomplishments!

Overall "Progress" component grade of "A"

- ◆ Constellation Schools: Puritas Community Middle School
- ◆ Horizon Science Academy Columbus Middle School
- ◆ Lincoln Park Academy
- ◆ Main Preparatory Academy
- ◆ Stambaugh Charter Academy
- ◆ STEAM Academy of Akron
- ◆ Toledo SMART Elementary School
- ◆ University Academy
- ◆ Westside Academy

Overall "Exceeds" on "Progress" measure for DOR schools:

- ◆ The Academy for Urban Scholars (Columbus)

"A" in K-3 literacy

- ◆ Horizon Science Academy Elementary

Top 3 PI scores

- ◆ Constellation Schools: Old Brooklyn Community Middle School
- ◆ Hamilton County Mathematics and Science Academy
- ◆ Westside Academy

Top 2 most improved PI scores

- ◆ Lincoln Park Academy
- ◆ Toledo SMART Elementary School



The All Schools Meeting ended with a friendly but competitive game of Charter School "Family Feud."

