



NEWS UPDATE

FOR THE FRIENDS OF E PREP SCHOOLS

January / February, 2010

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DONOR SPOTLIGHT(S)

Ernst & Young came through again for E Prep and Village Prep families by providing a spectacular Christmas for 35 of our most needy families. Several dozen E&Y employees and their families bought presents for our students and their families. A special thank you goes out to Laurence Talley, Dana Fickel, Christene Pantalone and Al Paulus for their hard work and support.

Anne Meyers and the law firm of Meyers, Roman, Friedberg & Lewis provided warm clothes and gifts for ten additional families. Thank you so much!

The **Solon PTA** donated over one hundred pairs of gloves, hats and scarves to our families. Thank you to Cheryl Agranovich and Stephanie Rosen for arranging this donation!

1. E Prep's 8th graders scored #1 in Cuyahoga County on the Ohio Achievement Reading Test. E Prep was followed closely by Solon, Beachwood and Chagrin Falls.
2. Village Preparatory School opened despite an uphill battle with the State for the federal start-up funds. Thanks to many of our friends, we did receive the \$450,000 grant and were able to open our doors to about 90 Kindergarten scholars. Come see them in action.
3. 100% of E Prep's 8th grade graduates were successfully placed in college-prep high schools in Cleveland, including St. Martin de Porres, John Hay Schools, STEM schools, Andrews Osborne, St. Ignatius, Gilmour and more.
4. Breakthrough Charter Schools was formed as a result of a one year planning process by Citizens' Academy, The Intergenerational School, and Zealous Schools. The non profit Charter Management Organization will provide business and back-office support to the schools and will be a platform upon which significant replication of quality schools can occur.
5. In only its third year, E Prep's students outperformed the average of all public schools in the State of Ohio in all subjects in all grades (6,7,8) on the 2009 Ohio Achievement Tests.
6. E Prep was named an Ohio *School of Promise* for the second consecutive year.
7. We moved into our beautiful home at Tyler Village and are blessed to be in our newly renovated school. We are grateful to Tony Asher and the Graystone team for supporting the renovation project.
8. Big Brothers Big Sisters and E Prep have forged a formal relationship so that every 8th grader who desires a mentor will have one throughout 8th grade and 9th grade, the first year our students will be away from E Prep.
9. Through the Village Prep Reading Backpack Program, over 2000 books were donated to our schools through a variety of generous people. Thank you!

OK, there is **one more thing** to mention....

Despite the 2008-2009 recession, our donors managed... unbelievably... to somehow beat the odds and provide almost the same level of support as our record 2007-08 school year. For this, we are truly thankful.

The folks listed on the back of this newsletter, and many more who have given since "press time" are heroes, and we are truly blessed to have you all supporting our Zealous Schools.

Happy New Year, and if you would like to join the esteemed list of generous donors, you may do so on line at www.eprepschool.org or mail a check to the address below. Stock gifts are welcome as well.

THANK YOU Cleveland!!!

John Z.



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