



## EEG News & Updates

### Message from the CEO

We are anticipating an exciting, upcoming school year filled with endless possibilities and opportunities for success! We have new schools and new business endeavors. We are in pursuit of excellence in education, and the interest of our students is at the forefront of everything we do. Our progression is attributed to our dedicated professionals who work

tirelessly to ensure we are doing what's best for kids. We are blessed as an organization, and I sincerely appreciate all of your efforts. Excellence is within our reach, and we will continue to pursue it! Over the past seven years, we have expanded and grown tremendously, and I believe as a team, we can accomplish anything. Let's stay motivated and keep the momentum going!



**Wendy Rydarowicz, Founder and CEO**

### Full Steam Ahead!

We are moving full steam ahead with the addition of new schools, new companies, new programs and new headquarters!

As we continue in our quest to *Elevate the Experience*, we are excited to announce the purchase of a new building, which is appropriately named, The Empowerment Center.

The Empowerment Center is symbolic, as it aligns with our mission to unite with the



Akron community to empower our youth to choose the road which leads to success. The Empowerment Center is the new home for Akron Career Tech High School and our EEG offices. We will make a positive impact by providing students the opportunities to earn industry credentials in Culinary Arts, Health Information Management, Arts and Communication, and Early Childhood Education, and the training labs will be on-site. We endeavor to create an indelible imprint and make a

difference in each community we serve.

### **Empowered Early Learning Center**

It has always been our goal to build a foundation of learning in our students. Early childhood education is an excellent way to teach the building blocks that will prepare our students for academic success. We are elated to announce the opening of the Empowered Early Learning Academy, a high-quality preschool program which incorporates skills to prepare students for kindergarten.

### **Empowered Educational Solutions**

Our new customized data management system is a powerful tool which will foster data informed decisions at the school level. Our school leaders will now have the ability to evaluate data which directly affects the success of the school in one location. Empowered Educational Solutions houses the EMPOWER system.

### **New Schools**

We are excited to announce the following new additions to our family of schools!

- **A+ Arts Academy** - K-8 school in three locations in Columbus, OH
- **The Dayton School** - New Dropout Prevention Recovery high school in Dayton, OH
- **Lake Erie International High School** - Dropout Prevention Recovery high school in Cleveland, OH
- **Main Preparatory Academy** - K-5 school in Akron, OH

Our future is bright, and we are changing communities throughout the state of Ohio from the inside out!

## **Continuing Education**

Promoting the culture of lifelong learning is an action we value and encourage. We are impressed by educators who go the extra mile to enhance instruction and better serve our students. We are proud to salute the following educators who have completed coursework at the University of Toledo and will be receiving a CBI endorsement:

**Abigail Engle (Castle East)**

**Maria Hejnal (West)**

**Kevin Ford (OCA)**

**Anjeanett Grant (BSP)**



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### Welcome to Our Team!

We would like to welcome the following individuals to the EEG team:

Susan Cosmo, Director of School Operations, Columbus Region  
Allison Daugherty, Director of Food Services  
Colleen Smith, Accounts Payable Accounting Clerk

We are excited that you have become members of our team and look forward to working with you!



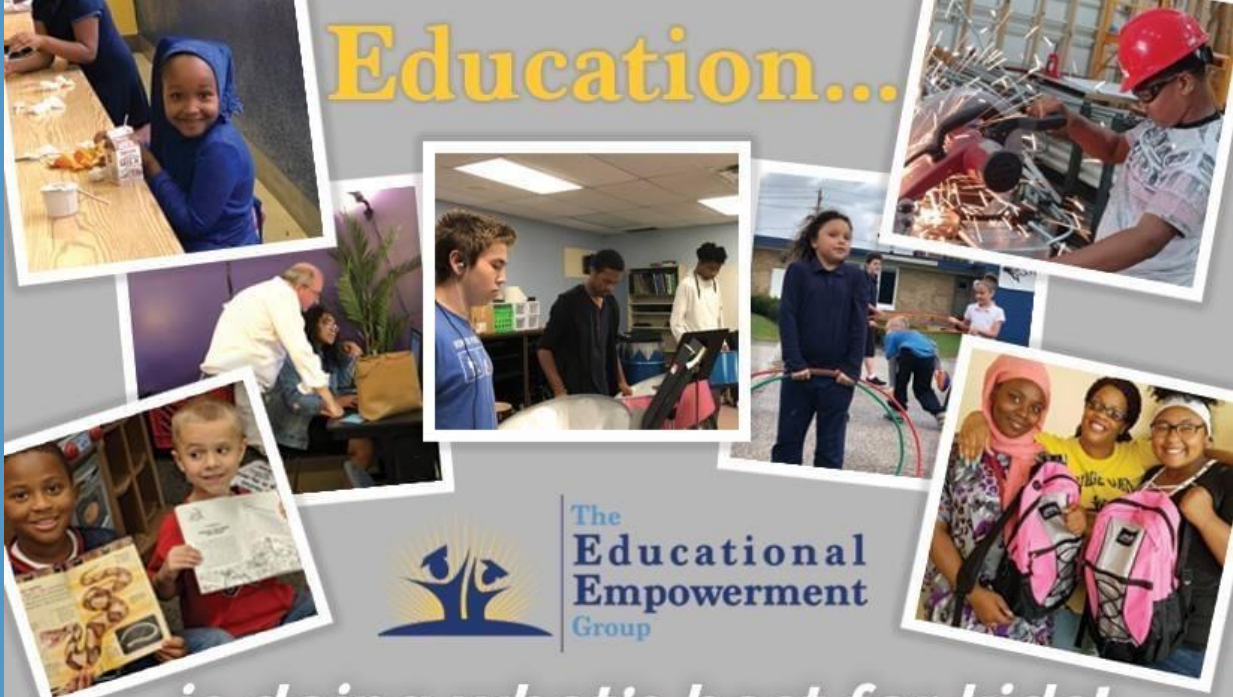
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### Principal of the Year

Congratulations to Troy Powell, Principal of The Steel Academy, for earning the title of Principal of the Year! Troy has successfully implemented the *Elevate the Experience* Initiative at Steel, and it is reflective in the school's attendance, academics, discipline, walkthrough ratings, social media posts and enrollment. Troy also exhibits consistent professionalism, teamwork and school spirit. You can feel his passion when he talks about Steel. We are proud of Troy and his team at The Steel Academy! We are anticipating an excellent 2022-2023 school year!



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