

# The East End Adult Education Center

School Newsletter

Fall 2024

Adele M. Craft - Executive Director

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## Director's Annual Report-



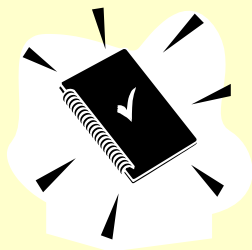
We celebrated 51 years of service this past March! This year we begin our 52nd year of offering our educational services to the community. 40 students have enrolled and are working hard to achieve their HSE/GED Diplomas. We already have 7 GED Graduates this school year! They worked over the summer to improve their educational skills and were ready to take the test. They have goals of improving their lives and providing more for their families.

We served 260 students last year, with 26 GED Graduates, 70 in the Educational Program, and 190 students took a GED test in the computer lab. 20 additional students passed one or more parts of the GED and they are coming in to finish their studies this year. 90% of all students enrolled increased their grade levels one grade level or more. Many students continued to work over the summer in their books or in the online program.

Fundraising for last year was very difficult with inflation causing some donors and foundations not to send us support. Most of our longtime supporters and grantors were very generous and we are very thankful for that. We have recently received two grants from new foundations.

**Our Tenth Annual Golf Outing** is coming up on October 19<sup>th</sup>. **The Golf Outing** last year was very well attended and everyone who participated really enjoyed it. **Our Sponsors were: Silver Sponsor** - The Terry Craft Family in Memory of Terry Craft. **The Hole Sponsors** were Jim & Jan Brandt, Peter Craft, Pat Walsh with Buckingham Financial Partners, Brett & Susan Foley with Diamond Envelope, Bruce & Irmgard Freeman, Mike & Mary McGraw, Ann & Tom Morand, Sara & David Osborn, Jake Peters with Jake's Automotive, Chris & Julie Kilgore, Josh Lewis with Roto-Rooter, Joe McCauley with Tele-Vac Environmental, Mary Ann Schmidt, Nancy VandenBerg, Gary & Tina Volz, Owen Walsh with Keating, Muething and Klekamp PLL, Pat & Marty Walsh, and Pat & Jane Walsh. We are very appreciative of all of these donors!

**Our Annual Celebration of Fifty One Years** was held on May 4th with 70 people attending. It was held at Ivy Hills Country Club on Derby Day. **The Gold Sponsors** were Adele Craft, Bruce & Irmgard Freeman, The Heidt Family Foundation, Bruce & Tina Ross, and Mike & Digi Schueler. **Silver Sponsors** were Jim & Jan Brandt, Mark & Jane Burke, Matt & Kayla Ciotti, Rick & Elizabeth Findlay, Connie Johnson, Bruce & Libby Krone, Sara & David Osborn, Brian & Mary Rahme, Becky & Keith Riggs, Nancy VandenBerg, Gary & Tina Volz, and Anne Wilson. **The Patrons** were Karie Bolan, Rob & Jenny Rankin, Owen & Julia Walsh, Pat & Marty Walsh, Pat & Jane Walsh and Geoff & Deborah Wyght. Thanks again to all who supported and attended! We are so thankful to all of our donors; we couldn't do what we do without you! You are helping so many individuals make improvements to their lives!



**Thank you again so very much for all of your support!**

### **Annual Achievements for 2023-24 School Year:**

- ❖ 260 Students were served.
- ❖ 70 students were served through our GED/ Literacy program.
- ❖ 190 students were served in our computer lab.
- ❖ 26 students received their HSE/GED Diplomas.
- ❖ 80 students worked while attending school.
- ❖ Income for 8/1/23 – 7/31/24 - \$205,179.74
- ❖ Expenses for 8/1/23 – 7/31/24 - \$249,756.00
- ❖ Expenses for Program Services - \$169,756.00
- ❖ Expenses for Management and General - \$35,000.
- ❖ Expenses for Fundraising - \$45,000
- ❖ Donated Stock Value as of 10/24 - \$36,741.73
- ❖ Total Fund Balance as of 7/31/24 - \$161,566.05

# Student Success Stories



**Manny Chambers** passed his GED right before Christmas. He plans to get a job as a car mechanic and eventually go to trade school to get an automotive technology certification. He is pictured on the left.

**Juliet Hill** (pictured right) enrolled in September. She is from Nigeria and English is her second language. Her husband is a Cincinnati Policeman and Juliet has focused her time supporting him and taking care of her children. She decided that she wanted to go to work in the Nursing field, but needed her GED first. She took one test at a time and received her GED just before Christmas. She called in January to let us know that she found a job working at a Nursing Home in Montgomery and they will help her get her STNA license.



**23- 24 GED**

## Graduates



Hadnan Biobaku  
Manny Chambers  
Jack Dalhover  
Olivia Dressel  
Robert Forsee  
Kalob Gibson  
Steven Graffagnino  
Hunter Gudgeon  
Juliet Hill  
Kevin Hood  
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Hazem Lotfi  
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