### **Educational Service Center of Central Ohio**

### Community School Annual Review Rubric

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School Year 2020-2021

Annual performance framework (academic, fiscal, and organizational/operational) evaluation is considered using a five (5) point scale as found below. These ratings are holistic and consider the school's performance over multiple years/contract term.

The school's rating for individual components of the performance framework that summarizes the school's academic, fiscal, and organizational/operational record for multiple years and over the contract term will be attached to this report.

Excellent	Very Good	Fair	Poor	Not Evident	
5	4	3	2	1	

#### 1. Epicenter Efficiency and Accountability

Rate the 'on time' submission and correctness of required documents. Epicenter percentage on-time: <u>99%</u>

<mark>5</mark>	4	3	2	1
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Comments: All submissions are timely and accurate. Thank you for your weekly attention to maintaining epicenter throughout the school year.

### 2. Technical Assistance, Monitoring and Intervention

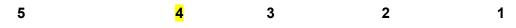
Rate the frequency and degree of severity of these processes. Have any Corrective Action Plans (CAP's) or probationary notices been issued?

# 5 <mark>4</mark> 3 2 1

Comments: No CAP's or probationary notices were issued during the 2020-2021 school year. The school was asked to refine their school improvement plan and to align it to the CCIP goals. Due to the impact of COVID-19 no schools have academic ratings for the 19-20 and 20-21 school years. ODE has not yet clarified the impact this will have on Graham Elementary and Middle School and their academic progress status. GEMS should be prepared for Ohio State Testing during the 2021-2022 school year that the Ohio Department of Education will use for accountability measures. It has been recommended that The Graham Elementary and Middle School continue to implement curriculum to improve student academic performance in conjunction with EL Education. Throughout the year the staff has worked collaboratively with members of the ESCCO, SST 11, and SOS to make improvement to academics and school discipline procedures. I have appreciated all stakeholders (*board, administration, teachers, students, and parents*) for their continued support of the school and desire to see all students reach their full potential.

### 3. Financial Plan

Rate the degree to which the school performed its obligations noted in the Financial Plan.



Comments: The March 2021 FTE is 346.29. The is on-track financially and meeting their obligations. Concerns raised by our fiscal reviewer earlier in the school year have been addressed and the awarding of High-Quality grants at the Charles School and GEMS has improved the organizations bottom line. While the result of the ESSER Funding and actions taken by the TGS Board have improved the financial condition of the school the audit reflects an 'ongoing concern' comment in the audit opinion letter. The sponsor will continue to monitor their financial condition to ensure continued improvement in their financial condition.

# Enrollment

Rate the level of student retention/transiency during life of the contract.

<mark>5</mark> 4 3 2 1

Comments: Enrollment has been consistent with a slight dip as an organization that is being monitored.

# 4. Governance/Organizational/Operational

Rate the overall leadership of the governing authority and operational organization.

<mark>5</mark>	4	3	2	1
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Comments: The leadership from the governing authority in the areas of governance, organization, operations, and fiscal are commendable. All interactions are professional and transparent.

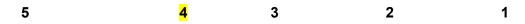
# 5. Academic Accountability

How is the school performing in relation to the Educational Plan and Performance Framework?

Link to performance framework: updated performance framework from the contract

How did the school say it would perform versus how it actually performed?

• Conversation surrounding report card data will occur as well as Exhibit 4 and spreadsheet from the contract.



Comments: The School is currently in Focus Status based on GAP closing and in the second year of the School Improvement Plan process. Additionally, GEMS has been issued a first notification of automatic closure due to meeting the following criteria: 'F' on Overall Grade and 'F' on Value -Added Grade based on ORC 3314.35 or ORC 3314.351. Based on the 2018-2019 state report card an overall grade of F by Graham Elementary and Middle School is a source of continued academic concern. Due to the COVID 19 pandemic there were not report cards issued by ODE due to lack of data from the 19-20 school year. It has yet to be determined how this will impact schools with notifications of closure. The GEMS board, administration, and staff should be commended for their professionalism and focus on the school improvement plan. The school has met their mission specific goals over the course of the contract and all performance ratings over multiple years can be found in the performance framework link above. The school will continue to work on the school improvement plan and collecting data to determine student growth throughout the 2020-2021 school year.

# 6. Contract Sufficiency (per ORC section 3314.03)

The level of contract sufficiency - ODE checklist will be used to determine whether contract has been updated to their standards.

Comments: All areas have been met.

# 7. Conclusion

How is the school performing in relation to the contractual requirements?

Comments:

**Areas of Strength:** GEMS has continued be consistent in their implementation of a well balance curriculum which include both required state standard coupled with identified habits of learning. The school's leadership has been exceptional during the COVID-19 school closure

with communication and continues to plan for next school year with student and staff well-being in mind. Additionally, their work to increase literacy throughout the building coupled with the implementation of Peace rooms as part of their PBIS initiative are noteworthy and to be commended.

**Areas of Improvement:** GEMS needs to continue their work in improving student achievement and growth on standardized assessment. Universal screening data is showing improvement and it will be necessary for all staff to continue to improve student learning, especially given the extraordinary circumstances in education due to the global pandemic.

**Subsequent Actions:** The school will continue to implement their professional development plan as described in their school improvement plan.

**Summary of Performance Over Contract Term and Prospects for Renewal:** The school successfully completed the renewal process during the 2018-2019 school year. The current contract expires Jun 30, 2022. The ESCCO recently extended all Community School Contracts due to the COVID 19 pandemic due to lack of significant data for a High Stakes Review. The Graham Elementary and Middle School's contract is now set to expire June 30, 2023. They are on track for successful renewal if all processes are successfully completed and continued in the manner that they have been over the past year. A High Stakes Review will occur in the fall of the 2022-2023 school year. (\* If additional changes occur with the timeline of renewal due to the COVID-19 closure, all parties will be notified.) All information will be communicated about the renewal process and the ESCCO's policies and procedures is always available on the ESC sponsorship webpage-

http://www.escco.org/CommunitySchoolSponsorship.aspx

Note: The school's annual performance report and prospects for renewal will be communicated to and discusses with the school's governing authority.