

CPEA...

Representing all of the certificated and licensed classroom teachers, psychologists, guidance counselors, specialists, librarians, nurses, and tutors in the Canton City School System . . . is continually striving to meet the needs of our students, educators, and community.

CPEA Mission Statement

The Canton Professional Educators' Association initiates and supports positive changes in the public school system, promotes the educational profession, and actively serves as an advocate for

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***Welcome to the fifth edition
of the
CPEA COMMUNIQUE!***

CPEA will regularly communicate with you regarding the exciting activities our members are involved in within our schools and in our community.

We hope you will enjoy learning more about CPEA and some of our activities

- CPEA members are dedicated to providing the highest quality education for Canton City Students.

It is CPEA's goal that Canton City School graduates will be prepared to be proud, successful members of the community.

To achieve the above goals:

All of Canton City Schools' 857 certificated employees completed 13 hours or more of professional development, totaling 11,921 hours of training. Professional development was offered in areas such as: student assessment, technology in the classroom, and "best practices" for teaching the core academic subjects of reading, math, science, social studies, and writing.

Canton City Schools reached Continuous Improvement status on the state report card.

- *Math performance (K-12) increased!*
- *Writing scores improved and remain a strength in the district!*
- *High school reading scores improved and remain a district strength!*
- *Graduation rates have increased for the 4th year!*
- *The Canton City School district is the only urban district in Ohio to make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in mathematics!*

Canton City School Educator receives "Oscar of Teaching"

Julie Herman, an intervention specialist who teaches at Compton Elementary School, is one of the recipients of the Milken National Educator Award called the "Oscar of Teaching" by Teacher Magazine. There are only 100 educators chosen yearly (two per state) by the Milken Foundation. Julie has a bachelor's degree from Kent State University and a master's in educational administration from Ashland University. Currently she is working towards a degree in early childhood education. She was presented the award at a surprise assembly at Compton School on October 9, 2006.



CPEA/CCS Efforts Honored

The Canton Professional Educators' Association's and the Canton City Schools' joint marketing program has been recognized by the National Education Association. For the second year in a row, the NEA has awarded the CPEA a \$10,000 grant to continue the "Power of Us" marketing program of the CCS. Members of the marketing team include individuals from the CPEA, the four OAPSE AFL-CIO unions, and the administration. This group also just received a \$500 "Public Relations Grant" from the East Central Ohio Education Association for their excellent work.

Retirees Recognized

The CPEA held a retirement reception on August 23, 2006 for the 25 members who retired at the end of the last school year. Together the 25 individuals had 763.6 years of educational expertise.



Tuition Reimbursement

Five years ago the CPEA started a "Tuition Reimbursement" program to help our members with the costs they are experiencing as they continue their personal education. This year the CPEA disbursed a total of \$21,000 to 72 individuals to help defray their tuition costs.



Operation Christmas Sunshine

*For over 20 years, the Canton Professional Educators' Association has helped provide Christmas gifts for between 50 and 100 children through **Project KARE** and Stark County Children Services. "Operation Christmas Sunshine" was initiated by Marcella Emmons, a CCS teacher who, though now retired, continues to organize this project.*

OUR MESSAGE

***Students are our Priority
Educators are our Strength
Community Members are our
Partners***