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Academic *EMERGENCY*

Did you know that the Cleveland Municipal Schools spend hundreds of millions of dollars every year ... to graduate fewer than 1,500 seniors?

How is it possible that a school district with about 50,000 children can spend that much money and have so little to show for it?

Think about the thousands of teachers, office staff, maintenance staff, and headquarters personnel required to operate a system so large.

While you're thinking about this huge school district, also think about all lunches served every day, hall monitors, crossing guards, bus drivers, and others needed to support the system. Shouldn't there be more than 1,500 graduates?

Every child should be able to read and write, add and subtract, and think critically when they leave school.

Many suburban schools are successful accomplishing pretty lofty objectives. But

the Cleveland Municipal schools do not. Our monster school district is failing to prepare 50,000 children for the real world, for self-sufficiency. Is it a crime? Should someone or some group be held accountable for this failure? If we say yes, then we spend time and resources trying to fix blame and punish.

The real need is to help these struggling kids. We live in Cleveland in the broad sense. It really is our problem, too.



Office Growing

Our new Training Center is in temporary quarters in the same office complex as our main office. In January or February our permanent Training Center will be completed, also in the same complex as our main office.

When North Coast Tutoring Services joined with Distance Learning Systems to offer a "Blended Learning Program" for LPNs, Respiratory Therapists and Paramedics, it was obvious we needed more space.

This new facility will give us large training rooms in addition to more office space. In different configurations, we will be able to seat up to 100 people at a time. While designed to hold classes for prospective nurses, the facility is ideal for interviewing and training new tutors. We are really excited to have this new facility available for so many purposes.

PERSONNEL: We welcome Laura Kamis, our new office

specialist who is rapidly discovering where everyone and everything is located. She already knows so much she's dangerous.

Allison Reker, Director of Student Services, has developed a matching system for students and tutors that is really incredible. She quickly knows who is available to tutor any specific subject in every community in the Northeast Ohio area. Sounds like a plan!

