



ANNUAL REPORT

2021-2022



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SCHOOLS



2,700

STUDENTS



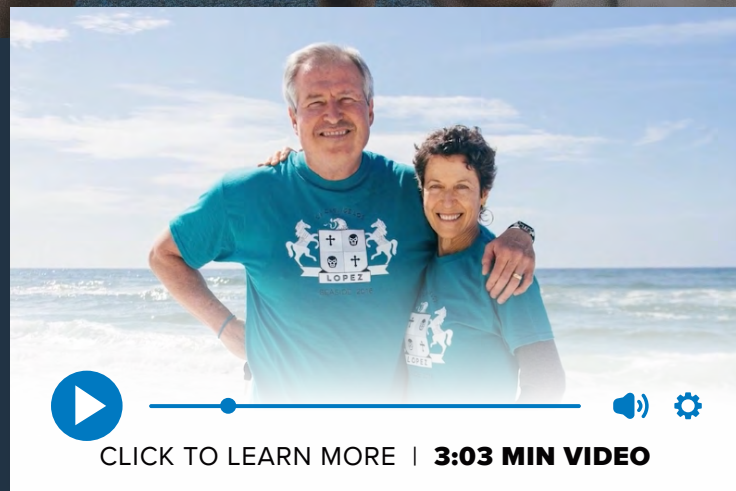
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COLLEGE BOUND



IN MEMORY OF AL LOPEZ

September 8, 1954 – February 21, 2022



The IDEA Team & Family is forever grateful and stronger because of the transformational leadership Al provided as Board Chair, Acting Superintendent and Chief Executive Officer.

Due to his own experience as a first-generation college student who had little guidance on the way to college, Lopez had a strong history of community service, especially when it came to education. His faith compelled him to be generous and serve those who have fewer resources and opportunities.

Lopez served as Chair of IDEA Austin's Regional Board and

Treasurer of IDEA's Governing Board before assuming the role of Interim CEO in May 2021. The impact of his outstanding leadership and commitment to our families, students, and staff will remain part of his enduring legacy.

He is survived by his wife, three children, and 12 grandchildren.

If you are interested in joining the legacy circle of supporters by contributing to this fund, click the video or visit ideapublicschools.org/al-and-judy-lopez-scholar.



Dear Team & Family,

This past year, IDEA Public Schools and its affiliates welcomed over 80,000 motivated and bright scholars, more than 11,000 staff members, and prepared to launch our newest regions, IDEA Greater Cincinnati and IDEA Jacksonville. We are incredibly proud of our students, teachers, leaders, and families across the organization for their commitment and dedication this year.

At IDEA, our core values reinforce our commitment to fostering a supportive and inclusive environment for our Team & Family. We are committed to sending more students to college than ever.

In this report, you will read how the set of values IDEA adopted in 2021 exist in our schools, workplaces, and communities.

- We act with integrity.
- We achieve academic excellence.
- We deliver results.
- We ensure equity.
- We build Team & Family.
- We bring joy.
- We sweat the small stuff.

We are grateful to the individuals across our IDEA communities who embody these values and seek to model them in their lives and work. Most of all, we continue to be inspired by IDEA students and graduates who are living these values in their pursuit of a college degree.

Thank you for being part of the IDEA community.

JEFF COTTRILL

SUPERINTENDENT

COLLIN SEWELL

CHAIR, BOARD OF DIRECTORS



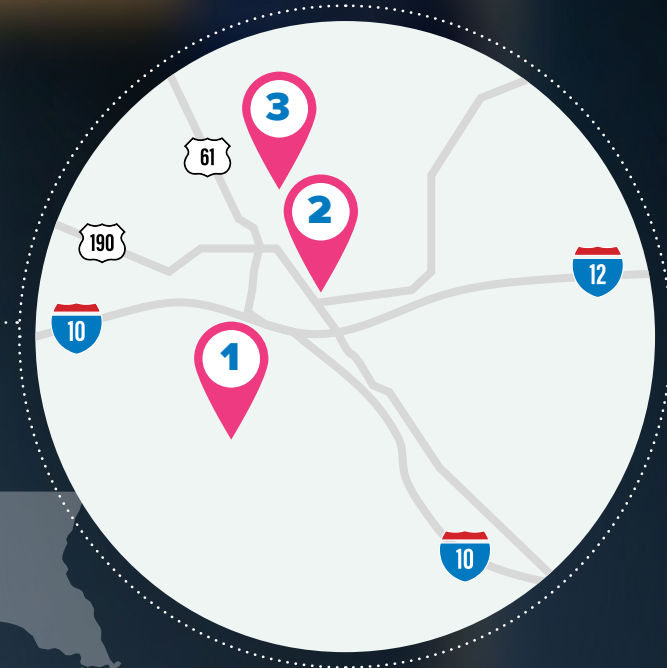
1 IDEA Innovation
Est. 2018



2 IDEA Bridge
Est. 2018



3 IDEA University Prep
Est. 2018



IMPACT IN ACTION

IDEA Public Schools Louisiana served nearly 2,500 college-bound students in grades K through 9 across Southern Louisiana. We are on track to maintain our legacy of sending 100% of our graduates to college.

Our schools are like family. Parents, teachers, and administrators work as a team to help each student reach their full potential.



IDEA is a goal-oriented and data-driven family of public charter schools, open to all students in grades K–12. The district prioritizes achieving 100% college acceptance and matriculation for its students.



IDEA is held to the same academic standards as traditional public schools and prioritizes the development of the whole child, including character, emotional and physical health, and wellness.



IDEA teachers partner with students and families every step of the way to ensure students are prepared for success in college and life.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS	
Cash	\$710,565
Receivables	\$7,283,284
Investments	--
Prepaid Items	--
Other	\$26,085
Net Property & Equipment	\$16,698,023
Total	\$24,717,957

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities	\$6,863,885
Payroll Liabilities	--
Long-term Liabilities	\$16,771,319
Net Assets	\$1,082,753
Total	\$24,717,957

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

REVENUES	
State Funding	\$32,573,431
Federal Funding	\$4,553,191
Grants & Gifts	\$213,439
Other	\$287,566
Total	\$37,627,627

EXPENSES

Instructional & School Leadership	\$24,465,854
Operations	\$0
Administration	\$2,664,010
Fundraising	\$27,263
Debt Service	\$0
Support & Ancillary Services	\$11,123,666
Total	\$38,280,793

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS	
Cash	\$2,308,541
Receivables	\$13,999
Investments	--
Prepaid Items	--
Other	\$1,900
Restricted Funds	--
Net Property & Equipment	\$30,975
Total	\$2,355,415

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities	\$2,654,598
Payroll Liabilities	\$0
Long-term Liabilities	--
Net Assets	-\$299,183
Total	\$2,355,415

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

REVENUES	
State Funding	\$3,366,028
Federal Funding	\$1,607,197
Grants & Gifts	\$46,000
Other	\$55,807
Total	\$5,075,032

EXPENSES

Instructional & School Leadership	\$3,588,348
Operations	\$0
Administration	\$350,700
Fundraising	\$2,653
Debt Service	\$0
Support & Ancillary Services	\$1,716,030
Total	\$5,657,731



IDEA WELCOMES FIRST OUTSIDE SUPERINTENDENT IN OUR 22-YEAR HISTORY

In June 2022, IDEA welcomed Dr. Jeff Cottrill as Superintendent of IDEA Public Schools.

Dr. Cottrill comes to IDEA with experience as an after-school paraprofessional, teacher, assistant principal, principal, district superintendent and state official. He most recently spent five years as a senior leader at the Texas Education Agency (TEA). As TEA's Deputy Commissioner for Governance and Accountability, Dr. Cottrill was responsible for overseeing districts and charter schools in need of significant reform or improvement.

"Jeff is an education leader with tremendous gifts, heart and focus," said Collin Sewell, chair of the IDEA Board of Directors. "He is a veteran school administrator with valuable and diverse experience leading, overseeing, and improving school districts

and charter schools throughout Texas. He will fit right in at IDEA, where data guides our decisions, and our core values guide how we create opportunities for students and support our team."

Cottrill's portfolio at the TEA involved him in the management of Texas school districts and charter schools large and small, urban, suburban and rural. As a district superintendent, he significantly increased enrollment through open enrollment and school choice, and consistently led high student achievement, earning A grades from TEA.

Jeff and his wife, Monica, live in Buda, Texas, near Austin. Their six children attend public schools, and Monica is an elementary school counselor.