

**DEKALB PATH ACADEMY**

**2008-2009**

**Charter School Annual Report**

**Submitted on September 29, 2009**

**Page 1 - Question 1 - Name and Address (General)**

**Respondent Information**

Respondent's Name: **Suttiwan Cox**  
Respondent's Email Address: **scox@pathacademy.org**  
School Name: **DeKalb PATH Academy**  
School Address: **3007 Hermance Drive**  
City: **Atlanta**  
Zip/Postal Code: **GA 30319**  
School's Phone Number: **404-846-3242**  
School's Fax Number: **404-846-3243**

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School Primary Contact Person/Principal: **Suttiwan Cox**  
School's Principal: **Suttiwan Cox**  
Number of Years Principal has served as Principal at this school: **7 years**  
Principal's email: **Same as above**

**Page 1 - Question 3**

Please provide the following Department of Education assigned codes for your school:

3 digit district code: **644**  
4 digit school code: **0705**

**Page 2 - Question 4**

Please answer the following questions about your school's governing board.

Board Chair's Name: **Dlise Robinson**  
Board Chair's Email: **dalise@bellsouth.net**  
Number of Board Members: **7**  
Minimum number of times governing board meets in a year: **6**  
Number of times board met in 2008-09: **5**

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Type of Charter: **Locally Start-up**

**Page 3 - Question 6**

Please provide the following school information.

Date Opened (DD/MM/YYYY): **01/07/2002**

Grades currently serving: **5<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup>**

Grades served when fully enrolled: **5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>**

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Please provide the following information for the 2008-2009 school year.

Number of Teachers: **22.5**

Number of Administrators: **2**

Total Faculty and Staff: **30**

Number of Students enrolled: **274 at the end of the school year**

**Page 3 - Question 8 - Yes or No**

Did your school conduct a lottery this past year?

**No.**

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If Yes, how many students participated in the lottery?

**N/A**

**Page 3 - Question 10 - Yes or No**

Does your school have a wait list?

**Yes. Our waitlist started after school opened in August 2009. Parents heard about the school from their neighbors whose children attended our school. They started to send in applications and requested that their children be placed on the waitlist. Also, personnel from DeKalb County School System sometimes recommend our school to parents.**

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If your school has a waitlist, how many students are currently on your waitlist?

**As of September 29, 2009 there are 42 students on the waitlist.**

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Please enter your Charter School's Mission Statement

**The mission of DeKalb PATH Academy is to create a safe and nurturing learning environment in which refugee, immigrant and local children from the Chamblee, Doraville and Clarkston areas in DeKalb County, Georgia can develop the knowledge, skills, and character needed to succeed in top-quality high schools, colleges, and the competitive world beyond regardless of their socio-economic and linguistic barriers.**

### **Page 4 – Heading**

In the space below please enter at least 3 goals but no more than 4 that are stated in your charter and report on the progress that your school has made towards meeting each goal. Please include at least 2 goals that measure quantifiable student test results. If your school has not met a goal, please offer a brief explanation. Due to space limitations, responses larger than 100 words per goal will not be published. Please limit each response to 100 words or fewer. Example: Target Goal 1: By Year 2 of operation, School X will have 95% of 8th graders passing the ELA CRCT. Actual Performance: Met Goal. During the 2008-09 school year, 96% of 8th graders passed the ELA CRCT.

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**Target Goal 1: Every year and for each cohort, the percentage of students not meeting expectations on the math section of the CRCT will decrease by 8%.**

Actual Performance: Met Goal. Over 8% of students improved their scores from Level I to Level II. The percentage of students passing CRCT in mathematics is as follows: 5<sup>th</sup> grade is 87%; 6<sup>th</sup> grade is 86%, 7<sup>th</sup> grade is 97%; and 8<sup>th</sup> grade is 92%. Furthermore, from the spring CRCT report our passing scores in 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades in mathematics surpassed those of DCSS System by an average of 24 % and the state by 11%.

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**Target Goal 2: Every year and for each cohort the percentage of students not meeting expectations on reading section of the CRCT will decrease by 8%.**

Actual Performance: Met goal. Over 8% of students improved their scores from level I to level II. The percentage of students passing CRCT in reading is as follows: 5<sup>th</sup> grade is 96%; 6<sup>th</sup> grade is 95%; 7<sup>th</sup> grade is 93%; and 8<sup>th</sup> grade is 97%. Furthermore, from the spring CRCT report our passing scores in 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades in reading surpassed those of DeKalb County School System by an average of 8% and the state by 2%.

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**Target Goal 3: Every year and for each cohort, the percentage of students not meeting expectations on the ELA section of the CRCT will decrease by 8 %.**

Actual Performance: Met goal. During 2008-09 school year over 8% of students improved their scores from level I to level II. The percentage of students passing CRCT in ELA is as follows: 5<sup>th</sup> grade is 85%; 6<sup>th</sup> grade is 98%; 7<sup>th</sup> grade is 97%; and 8<sup>th</sup> grade is 92%. From the spring CRCT report our passing scores in 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades in ELA surpassed those of DeKalb County School System by an average of 6% and the state by 4.5%.

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**Target Goal 4: English language learners will increase their language proficiency in ACCESS test by increasing their composite scores by 10 points on the same tier or move up to the next tier.**

Actual Performance: Met Goal. During 2008-09 school year the average increase of the composite scores on Access for English language learners is 15 points on the same tier or move up to the next tier. 100% of ELLs who were in ESOL program for 3-4 years at PATH exited the program at the end of 2008-09 school year.

#### **Page 5 - Question 17**

Please select all of the following characteristics that apply to your charter school:

- Extended School Day
- Extended school year or year-round school
- None of the above
- Single gender classes

- Single gender school
- Weekend Classes

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Please select all of the following characteristics that apply to your charter school:

- Compete in district sporting events
- District-wide attendance zone
- Joint enrollment in other public school
- None of the above

**Page 5 - Question 19**

Please select all of the following characteristics that apply to your charter school:

- Autonomy to manage fiscal affairs independent of school district
- Autonomy to set employee compensation rates and or to provide bonuses
- Flexibility with administrator certification
- Flexibility with class size
- Flexibility with employee classification
- Flexibility with teacher certification
- None of the above

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Please select all of the following characteristics that apply to your charter school:

- After School Programs Provided
- Career Academy
- Dual Language
- Lunch provided
- None of the above
- Pre-K available
- Transportation provided
- Uniforms required

**Page 5 - Question 21 - Yes or No**

Does your school receive maximum flexibility under state charter law (i.e. a blanket waiver)?

**No.**

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If your school receives maximum flexibility under state law, please list the three most common ways you use your flexibility

**N/A**

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Please indicate if your school uses any of the following National Models:

- Core Knowledge
- Expeditionary Learning
- International Baccalaureate Program
- Montessori
- Paideia
- Success for All
- None of the above
- Other, please specify

**Our curriculum is rigorous college preparatory curriculum with high academic standards that aligned with those of GADOE.**

**Page 5 - Question 24 - Yes or No**

Does your school currently have a contract with an Educational Management Organization/network?

**No.**

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If your school has a contract with an EMO, please indicate which one.

- Charter Schools USA
- Does not have a contract with an EMO.
- Ed Futures
- Ed Visions
- Edison Schools
- Imagine Schools
- Mosaica
- National Heritage Academy
- Other, please specify

**Page 6 - Question 26 - Yes or No**

Did your school have a surplus at the end of the 2008-09 fiscal year?

**Yes.**

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How large was the surplus?

**4% of the total revenue**

**Page 6 - Question 28 - Yes or No**

Do you currently have a reserve fund?

**Yes.**

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What percentage of your total operating expenses does your reserve fund represent?

**17-18%**

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Please answer the following questions for the 2008-09 school year.

Total Revenue: **\$2,739, 320.00**

Total Amount of Debt: (Accrued liabilities): **\$111,235.00**

Total Private Fundraising: **\$29,340.00**

**Page 7 - Question 31 - Yes or No**

Does your school own its own facility?

**No.**

**Page 7 - Question 32 - Yes or No**

Does your school rent or lease a facility from a private landlord?

**Yes.**

**Page 7 - Question 33 - Yes or No**

Does your school rent or lease a facility from a school district?

**No.**

**Page 7 - Question 34 - Yes or No**

If you lease or rent a facility, do you have plans to purchase the facility?

**No.**

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What is your school's monthly lease payment (whole dollar amounts only)?

**\$9,583.00**

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What was the total facility cost for the 2008-09 school year including utilities and maintenance (whole dollar amounts only)?

**\$287,316.00**

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What is your school's yearly lease payment (excluding utilities and maintenance)?

**\$115,000.00**

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How long has your school been located in its current facility (number of years)?

**6 years**

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If you are a start-up charter school, you must provide us with proof of your non-profit status. Please go to the following website:  
<http://corp.sos.state.ga.us/corp/soskb/csearch.asp>. Once at the website, please type in your charter school's name and click on your school to bring up proof of your current non-profit status. Copy (ctrl+c) and past (ctrl+v) the link into the box below.

<b>Business Entity Name</b>	<b>Control No</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Entity Creation Date</b>
<u>DEKALB PATH ACADEMY, INC.</u>	<u>0203153</u>	Non-Profit Corporation	Active/Compliance	1/22/2002