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May 1, 2023  
Sent Electronically

Mr. Ben Lindy  
President  
Cincinnati Public Schools  
Copy:  
CPS Board of Education  
Superintendent Wright

**RE: The needs to plan for CANS' future**

Dear President Lindy

Clifton Neighborhoods School (CANS) will start its 2023-24 school year with all its grades from Preschool to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Its success goes far beyond what the assumptions were when the dream of opening a neighborhood school started about 10 years ago. As a consequence of this success, our neighborhoods have become younger and more diverse. Clifton is grateful for the positive contribution of CANS to our neighborhood's quality of life.

It has become apparent now that the success of CANS has resulted in having space challenges within the building. We understand that the planning, design and construction of a potential addition to the existing building takes time and funding, and we would like to encourage CPS to immediately start the planning effort to provide CANS the space it needs for its future.

We also encourage CPS to investigate a creative use of the Rawson Farmhouse to accommodate temporarily some needs for CANS until a final direction is found.

CANS has demonstrated that Public Schools are essential to the vibrancy of a community and we are ready to help CPS achieve a sustainable growth in our three neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

  
Gérald Checco, *President*