

Concept Schools Receives International Recognition for STEM Curriculum

Inaugural STEM Pioneer Leadership Award reflects Horizon Science Academy Youngstown curriculum and mission

Youngstown, Ohio – As a result of the rigorous, college-prep curriculum at schools throughout its network, including Horizon Science Academy Youngstown, Concept Schools was awarded the STEM Pioneer Leadership Award from the International Association for STEM Leaders (IASL) this month. Dedicated teachers and challenging classwork that focuses on science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) subjects are hallmarks of the world-class academic programming that Concept Schools is committed to providing, particularly in communities in need of high-quality education options.

“The future of our students depends on today’s work in our classrooms and in classrooms across the country,” said Sedat Duman, President and CEO of Concept Schools. “Never has STEM education been so important in ensuring that our students are prepared for careers as scientists, researchers and engineers. We appreciate this prestigious award and for the continued efforts of IASL in working with global leaders to implement quality STEM programming at all education levels.”

Concept Schools is a Midwest charter school network focused on STEM education and advancing STEM education in classrooms across the country. Concept Schools operates 30 schools in 7 states and uses innovative and unique techniques to provide well-rounded educational opportunities that prepare students for a future in STEM studies and careers.

Horizon Science Academy Youngstown provides students in grades K-8 with a high quality academic and social environment focused on rigorous instruction and high student expectations with an emphasis on science, math, and technology.

IASL is globally recognized for creating a golden standard for STEM excellence in traditional and non-traditional educational settings for students of all ages, from pre-kindergarten to adult education.

“As one of the only national charter school management organizations in the world pioneering a STEM focus within all of its schools, we are honored to present Concept Schools with our inaugural STEM Pioneer Leadership Award,” said IASL founder Dr. Carole Cameron Inge. “Their commitment to training our students for the future illustrates the STEM commitment and achievement we need from today’s educators. We look forward to its continued partnership and leadership in STEM education.”

About Concept Schools

Concept Schools is a management company that reshapes K-12 education through the use of the Concept Schools Design. Their mission is to create or help to create effective schools with the common goal of exceptional student learning through clearly defined standards, innovative school designs and educational approaches. Concept Schools has 30 schools in 7 states across the Midwest. For more information, visit www.conceptschoools.org.

For more information about the International Association for STEM Leaders, please visit www.stem-leaders.com.