

## Dear OnTrack Partners, Donors, and Friends—

In Greenville County, 15% of students do not graduate on time. For OnTrack Greenville schools, the percentage of students who do not graduate on time increases to 23% and 25% at Berea High and Carolina Academy (SC Report Card, 2020-2021), OnTrack's two high schools, due to the complexities and barriers of living in poverty as a person of color.

Because of your support, OnTrack Greenville students facing tremendous adversity remain empowered to stay on track to graduate and continue on the journey to post-secondary success. It is because of your role as a champion for education that the OnTrack initiative is positioned to utilize best practices and proven strategies to ensure every child is socially, emotionally, and physically healthy, safe, engaged and supported through OnTrack Greenville's whole-child approach model.

OnTrack Greenville schools are unlike any other schools in Greenville County—and even the state—due to the intersection of students of color, students living in poverty, and English language learners. Nearly 100% of OnTrack Greenville students live in poverty and 84% of students are students of color. The OnTrack team is well positioned to address unique challenges around targeted high-needs communities and is dedicated to keeping our students on track to graduate. Keeping these students on track in school is a powerful lever for increasing equity and economic mobility for our community.

Your generosity and commitment to OnTrack is changing lives and helps our youngest citizens prepare for the continuum of life. Your dedication provides chances for the most vulnerable students to have someone to look up to and helps ensure a brighter future.

We could not do this work without you.

**For Community,**

**DR. EDWARD ANDERSON**  
Executive Director, OnTrack Greenville



The second quarter of the calendar year is a special time for OnTrack Greenville and the schools it serves, including **the end of the school year, high school graduation, and the start of a busy summer program**. We're proud of the teachers, students, and community that come together during these months to make it all happen.

## HANDS ON GREENVILLE RETURNS!

On April 30, **Hands on Greenville Day (or "HOG Day")** returned to **the Upstate!** This event is a day of service hosted by United Way of Greenville County. We were thrilled to see **service projects at several of our OnTrack Greenville schools**. Volunteers were out in force to tidy up school walls, build new ones, plant flower beds, assemble bookcases, and more. Schools utilized this event to brighten up their school settings for our students.



### BEREA HIGH SCHOOL

In 2021, Berea High School partnered with volunteers from GE to build a large retaining wall in front of the school. **GE returned this year to extend and improve this wall**. A \$500 grant provided to OnTrack Schools supported this work. Berea High School students also worked with GE volunteers as a service-learning project.

### LAKEVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

Lakeview Middle School Principal Ms. Nicole Puza hosted a Teacher Appreciation "packing party" where **volunteers created gifts** for OnTrack Greenville school faculty and staff. Volunteers also **removed two degraded murals, priming and freshly painting the areas**.

Finally, volunteers built on existing gardening efforts on campus by **adding plants and flowers to areas cultivated previously** by GE volunteer teams led by Erica Gambino.



### GREENVILLE EARLY COLLEGE

Greenville Early College hosted the Multi-Pack Solutions team on their campus. Team members **used their service time to assemble bookcases** for GEC student use.



**THANK YOU,  
VOLUNTEERS!**



## TRANSLATION DEVICE PILOT PROGRAM



### TEACHER FEEDBACK:

"[The translation device] increased my ability to reach, counsel, and support students."

"Kids really liked that I had one...just in case we hit a communication barrier. It helped lower their stress and frustration levels."

Thanks to a grant provided by **W. W. Burgiss Charities, Inc.**, OnTrack Greenville was able to purchase and provide **language translation devices to six schools** to ease and reduce communication barriers between students, staff, and caregivers.

OnTrack Greenville's schools have a **large percentage of English language learners joining each year who enter school with limited or no English**. Due to the language barrier, interactions between students, staff, and caregivers can be ineffective, unrewarding, and restrictive to relationships. The translation devices provided by the W. W. Burgiss grant have already had an impact at our schools.



**Fifty-eight translation devices, split between two different models**, were deployed across six OnTrack Greenville schools.

79% of staff reported the devices provided **more opportunities to connect** with students and families. 89% of staff reported the device was easy to learn and want to use it next year. Many schools kept their devices for **use over the summer**.

## BELLXCEL SUMMER PROGRAMMING

OnTrack Greenville partner BellXcel's purpose is to "build and sustain meaningful, high-quality youth experiences...for all children, regardless of their zip code or financial status." **This summer, OnTrack's partnership with BellXcel allowed young people access to no-cost, experiential summer experiences and field trips.**











# CONGRATULATIONS • CLASS OF 2022 •

## GRADUATION BLOCK PARTY @ FLUOR FIELD



On May 16, we celebrated the first graduating class of OnTrack students with a **Graduation Block Party at Fluor Field** in downtown Greenville. The class of 2022 were rising 6th graders when OnTrack Greenville first started in 2015.

This event was **free to attend and included a live DJ, free food, and Class of 2022 T-shirts** for these special graduates. OnTrack Greenville is proud of every graduating class, but we are especially grateful to celebrate this first cohort of students, having been with **them every step of the way: from 6th grade to cap and gown.**

# FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR:



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bellxcel™

**277**  
STUDENTS  
IN PROGRAMS

- After-school: 121 students
- Summer: 156 students
- 6 implementation sites



**490**  
STUDENTS  
ON CASE LOAD

- Whole-school supports: 1,041
- Parent/Adult Interactions: 2,088
- Student Interactions: 17,041

PRISMA

**99%**  
RETURN TO  
CLASS RATE

- 246 unique students seen
- More than 400 health visits



**\$400+**

Distributed to OnTrack families in emergency utility assistance in Q2



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