Another great year has come and gone at Wedgewood’s ESLAsC program. As our yearly programming comes to an end we look forward to a welcomed change of pace for summer. This year’s summer program will once again feature weekly Wednesday field trips to be held during the six week program starting with the fountains at Scioto Mile on June 20th! Additionally, programming will include 2 days when students will study art, math, life skills and Reading on Monday and Tuesday. Thursday’s will include trips to the new Wedgewood Community Garden, a wrap up jeopardy game, outdoor activities and team building projects.

On April 23rd 2012, the Wedgewood Community celebrated World Book Day by collecting book donations, opening up our doors and giving out books to the many kids of the neighborhood. Thanks to our donors at Half Priced Books and Grant Medical Center, over a hundred books were passed out to students in need.

The Graphic Design competition is over and a winner has been chosen! The winning design came from the students at Providence Glen. The new logo will be used for the new ESLAsC T-Shirt!
During the last few months the Wedgewood YEP program brought in six different professionals to talk about their life and work in Central Ohio. Students heard from middle school teachers, government officials, journalists, social workers, factory managers and Adult ESL teachers to help them understand what these different careers are all about. Although many YEP students are still hoping to become professional basketball players, students now have a better understanding of these exciting careers!

Our own Dr. Fulani has spent the last year facilitating “All Star” lessons to help students realize their full potential. This curriculum has helped students pinpoint the values and character traits they want to define their lives. All Stars has challenged students and teachers to create healthy habits and goals based on shared values. We will be holding a community celebration during the first weeks of summer to finalize the program.

Wedgewood YEP program has a new teacher to introduce to the community! Mr. Lee joined the YEP family from the Public Health Department. Mr. Lee is a long time Columbus resident who has been working with youth since College. As a CCAD graduate, Mr. Lee specializes in art and will spend the summer teaching it through art activities and lessons on conflict resolution.

Mrs. Janet from the Public Health Department has been guiding students through personal hygiene, dental health and injury prevention lessons since last winter. This summer she will be teaming up with Ms. Hilary to teach a broad based life skills curriculum during our summer rotations.