

# 2008

annual report



ROCKY RIVER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

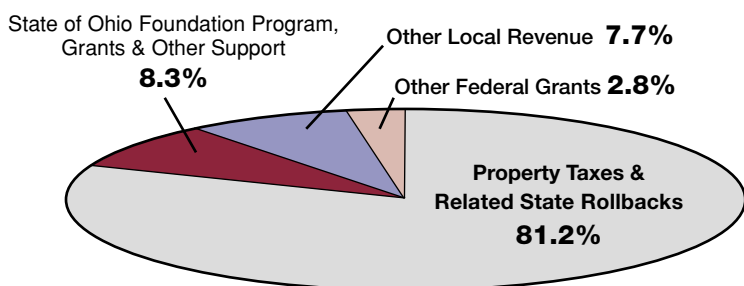
# Financials

During fiscal year 2007-2008, the District was fortunate to once again benefit from the strong support of its community through the passage of a 5.9 mill operating levy. This levy will generate approximately \$4.3 million per year starting in January of 2009. This should enable the District to keep its currently excellent educational programs intact for the next three years while providing much needed student and staff technology upgrades, new textbooks and other materials that were not available to District students for the last several years to due to financial difficulties. This is reflected in the District's most recent five-year financial forecast that is available at [www.rrcs.org](http://www.rrcs.org).

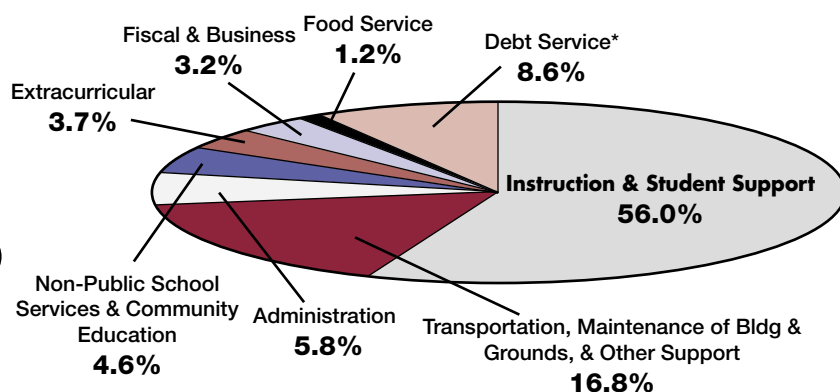
As with all segments of the community, the District is impacted by the current economy. The devaluation and tax abatement of Westgate Mall, tax challenges, and over \$600,000 in delinquent taxes continue to necessitate high quality financial management by the district staff.



**Fiscal 2008 Revenues**



**Fiscal 2008 Expenditures**



\* For bond and note debt related to middle school construction, school bus purchases and other renovations and equipment.

# Facilities

## Repairs and Renovations Completed

- Carpet and tile replacement plan implemented at Kensington, Goldwood, and RRHS.
- Roofs repaired at Goldwood, Kensington & RRHS.
- RRHS Wagar Road entrance canopy repaired.
- Swipe card alarm check-in installed at the RRHS pool.

## Facilities and Technology Plan

The firm of Burt, Hill was retained by the Rocky River Board of Education to engage community members and district employees in a study of District facilities. Information about the process and opportunities for participation are available at [www.rrcs.org](http://www.rrcs.org), or by calling 440-356-6715.



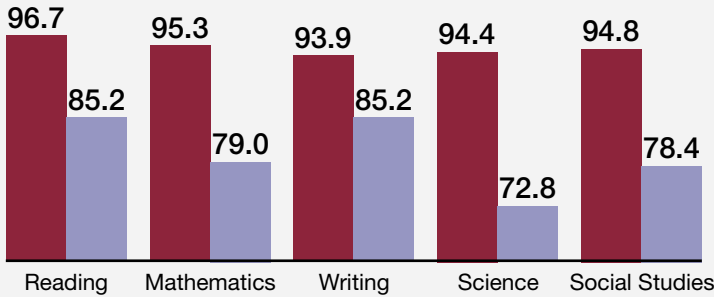


# Scores

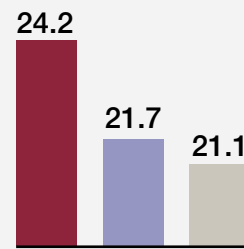
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*SAT & ACT Scores Above State & National Levels*

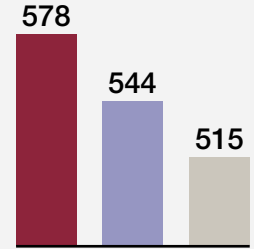
**10th Grade Graduation Test 2007-08**



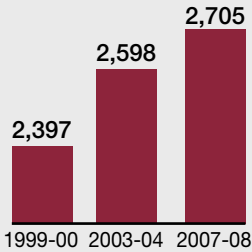
**ACT Composite**



**SAT Math**



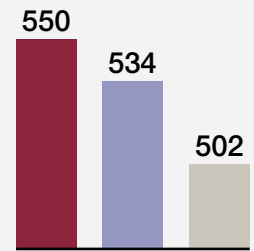
**Enrollment History**



**2008 Student Enrollments**

Goldwood Primary School (Gr. K-2)	576
Kensington Intermediate School (Gr. 3-5)	591
Middle School (Gr. 6-8)	630
High School (Gr 9-12)	908
<b>Total District Enrollment</b>	<b>2,705</b>

**SAT Verbal**



# Achievements

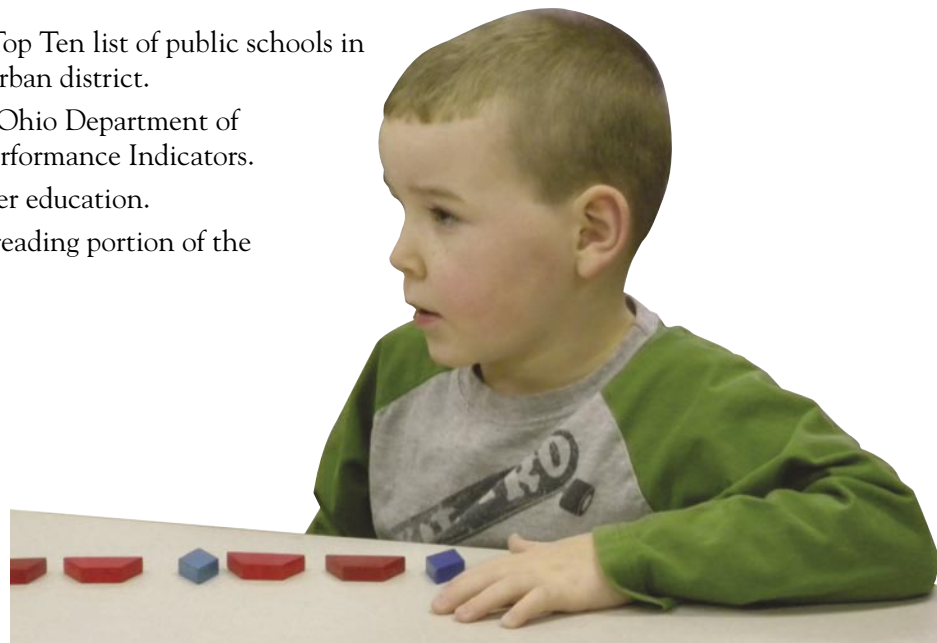
## Quality Indicators

- Thanks to the support of the Rocky River community in passing the March 2008 levy, our schools continue to rank among the best in the area.
- Ranked 6th on Cleveland Magazine's prestigious Top Ten list of public schools in Greater Cleveland - highest ranked west side suburban district.
- Excellent with Distinction rating on the 2007-08 Ohio Department of Education State Report Card, meeting 30 of 30 Performance Indicators.
- 99.1% graduation rate, with 91% enrolled in higher education.
- 91% of the students in the third grade passed the reading portion of the 2008 Fall Ohio Achievement Test.

## 2008 Certified Staff Profile

Total Number	165
Average Years Experience	15.98
Masters Degrees	75%
Average Salary	\$67,806
Highly Qualified Teachers	100%

*(As defined by Federal No Child Left Behind)*



# Promises Made, Promises Kept

During the levy campaign, we promised to focus our financial resources on **Technology, Textbooks and Teaching**. We have been, and will continue to be, true to our levy promises!

- Per pupil expenditure increased last school year by 2.7%
- 66.17% of district budget spent on instruction and pupil support
- Additional teaching staff hired (2nd grade, 4th grade, and RRMS) for optimal class sizes
- Additional SMART Boards installed, bringing District total to 60 – funded by the Rocky River Education Foundation & levy
- Technology Upgrades
  - Leased 214 new computers
  - Updated the computer lab at Goldwood
  - Added computers at Kensington and RRMS
  - Replaced a computer lab at RRHS
- New computer lab at RRHS Media Center as a result of successful grant
- New textbooks totaling \$232,357 ordered for this school year
- Purchased 4 new school buses and leased 2 new school buses
- GPS tracking system installed on all school buses
- Safe Schools Helpline launched in August
- New District website ([www.rrcs.org](http://www.rrcs.org)) launched in September



## Rocky River Board of Education

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