

# Rocky River City School District

State of the Schools

January 13, 2020



**Rocky River**

CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Caring • Exceptional • Competitive

# OUR MISSION

- At the Rocky River City School District, we strive daily to provide a **CARING** environment and **EXCEPTIONAL** opportunities, resulting in globally **COMPETITIVE** and **SUCCESSFUL** students.



# STRATEGIC PLAN & QUALITY PROFILE

- The Rocky River City School District Strategic Plan is an outline of actions designed to achieve desired goals. It is a statement of our District's mission, beliefs, and goals. It defines what we as a community value for our schools, and details objectives for our District and strategies to reach them.
- In the Quality Profile, you can learn about innovative learning experiences, AP scores, activities and athletics, financial ratings, parent support groups, and much more.
- Both documents are available at [www.RRCS.org](http://www.RRCS.org)





# STUDENT ENROLLMENT

- Future Think enrollment projections are available at: [www.RRCS.org/Superintendent](http://www.RRCS.org/Superintendent)



# PROJECTED ENROLLMENT

Year	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Projected	2674	2803	2833	2830	2838	2839	2809	2787	2765
Actual	2703	2708	2701	2707					



# RRCSD POINTS OF PRIDE

- Overall “A” ODE Report Card - 1 of 31 Districts in state to receive award
- All “A” Award ODE Report Card - 1 of 4 Districts in state to receive award
- Cleveland Magazine Top-10
- Kindness Certified School District
- Cleveland Clinic Banner School - Kensington Intermediate School
- RRHS Best High Schools in the Nation - *US News & World Report*
- Best Communities for Music Education Award
- RRHS 2019 Drug Education School Challenge Award - Ohio PTA
- +90 activities & athletics opportunities for students throughout RRCSD



# 2019-2020 STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

- 9 RRHS students earned National Merit Scholarship Program honors
  - 6 RRHS students were named National Merit Scholarship finalists
  - 3 RRHS students were named National Merit Commended students
- Four RRHS students competed at the Highland Software High School Innovation Tournament and placed second overall.
- 7th grader won RRMS Grade 7-8 Spelling Bee and will represent the District at the Scripps Regional Cuyahoga County Spelling Bee on March 7 at Cuyahoga Community College.
- Chromatix took part in the Kettering A Cappella Festival, a premier national educational event.



# 2019-2020 STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

- RRHS senior Nadine El Dabh was one of 243 students nationwide selected to participate in the 2019 National Association for Music Education All-National Honor Ensemble.
- RRMS students created art and designs on more than 1,000 Starbucks coffee sleeves that were distributed during the holiday season at the Rocky River Starbucks.
- RRHS fall sports won four conference championships and RRMS girls cross country won conference title.
- Samantha Robertson (girls tennis) and Samantha Coleman (cross country) qualified for the OHSAA state tournament.



# 2019-2020 STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

- RRMS students raised more than \$8,000 during its second annual Kick-It event to help fund pediatric cancer research.
- Six RRHS students selected for OMEA District IV and VII Honors Choir and seven RRHS students were selected for OMEA District IV and VII Honors Band.
- 3rd grade student had painting selected to be displayed at Baldwin Wallace Art Exhibition.
- Three RRHS students combined to receive six awards (three Gold Key Awards and three Honorable Mention Awards) in the 2020 Cleveland Institute of Art Scholastic Art Awards.





# 2019 OHIO SCHOOL REPORT CARD



## District Overview

Districts and schools report information for the Ohio School Report Cards on specific marks of performance, called measures, within broad categories called components. They receive grades for up to ten measures and six components.

- [District Details](#)
- [View Schools](#)
- [Financial Data](#)
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### Achievement

The Achievement Component represents whether student performance on state tests met established thresholds and how well students performed on tests overall. A new indicator measures chronic absenteeism.



Component Grade

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[Gifted Data](#)

### Progress

The Progress component looks closely at the growth that all students are making based on their past performances.



Component Grade

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### Gap Closing

The Gap Closing component shows how well schools are meeting the performance expectations for our most vulnerable students in English language arts, math, graduation and English language proficiency.



Component Grade

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### Graduation Rate

The Graduation Rate component looks at the percent of students who are successfully finishing high school with a diploma in four or five years.



Component Grade

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### Improving At-Risk K-3 Readers

This component looks at how successful the school is at improving at-risk K-3 readers.



Component Grade

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### Prepared for Success

Whether training in a technical field or preparing for work or college, the Prepared for Success component looks at how well prepared Ohio's students are for all future opportunities.



Component Grade

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# ALL "A" AWARD

- Rocky River was 1 of just 4 districts in the state to receive the All "A" Award from the State Board of Education for earning straight "A's" on all applicable report card measures.

## All "A" Award from the State

- Goldwood Primary School
  - One of just 50 schools in the state to earn this distinction



# OVERALL "A" AWARD

- Rocky River was 1 of just 31 districts in the state to receive the Overall "A" Award from the State Board of Education for earning an "A" on the 2019 report card.

## Overall "A" Award from the State

- Goldwood Primary School
- Kensington Intermediate School
- Rocky River High School



# 2019 PERFORMANCE INDEX RANKINGS (OHIO)

Rank	District	Performance Index	County
1	Solon	112.623	Cuyahoga
<b>2</b>	<b>Rocky River</b>	<b>109.385</b>	<b>Cuyahoga</b>
3	Chagrin Falls	109.224	Cuyahoga
4	Madeira	109.171	Hamilton
5	Ottawa Hills	109.060	Lucas
6	Beachwood	108.523	Cuyahoga
7	Brecksville-Broadview Heights	108.071	Cuyahoga
8	Marion Local	107.973	Mercer





# 2019 PERFORMANCE INDEX RANKINGS

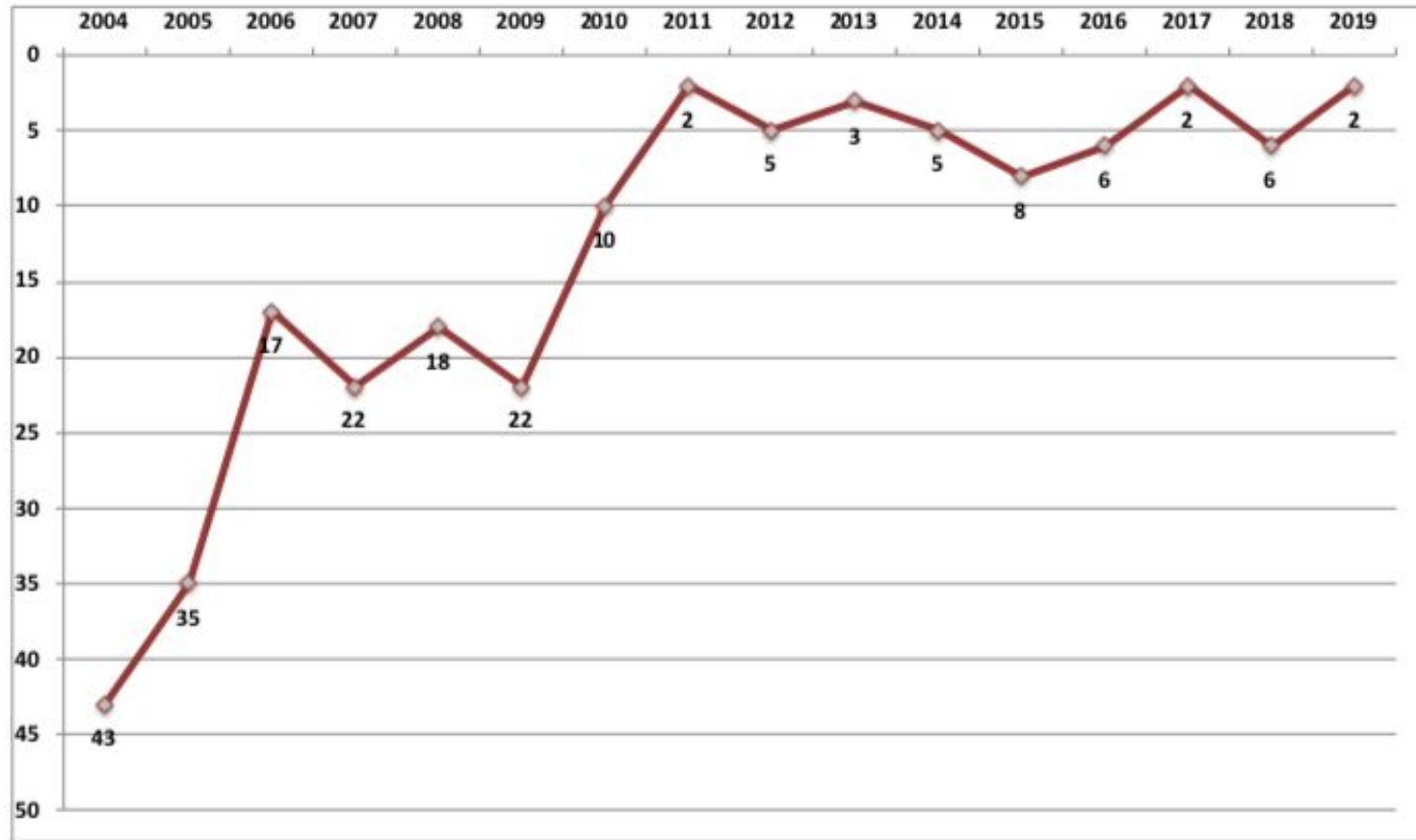
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Rank	District	Performance Index
10	Bay Village	107.715
24	Orange	105.383
34	Cuyahoga Heights	104.778
45	Westlake	103.058
50	Independence	102.176



# RRCSD PERFORMANCE INDEX RANKINGS



Year	Rank
2019	2nd
2018	6th
2017	2nd
2016	6th
2015	8th
2014	5th
2013	3rd
2012	5th
2011	2nd
2010	10th
2009	22nd
2008	18th
2007	22nd
2006	17th
2005	35th
2004	43rd



# DISTRICT SAFETY

- Safety is our #1 priority.
- Committed to a proactive stance, ensuring the utilization of best practices in the areas of physical security and student mental health and well-being.



# DISTRICT SAFETY INITIATIVES

- 3 School Resource Officers (SRO)
- COPS in Schools
- Safe School Helpline
- MARCS Radios
- NaviGate Prepared
- Instant Connect Notification System
- One access point into buildings for all visitors
- Raptor Visitor Management System





# DISTRICT SAFETY INITIATIVES

- School Bus Safety & Security
- Zonar Z-Pass for all busses
- A.L.I.C.E Training conducted by RRPD
- School Safety Drills
- Safe Routes to School
- Town Hall Meetings
- RR City and School Safety Collaboration



# FINANCE

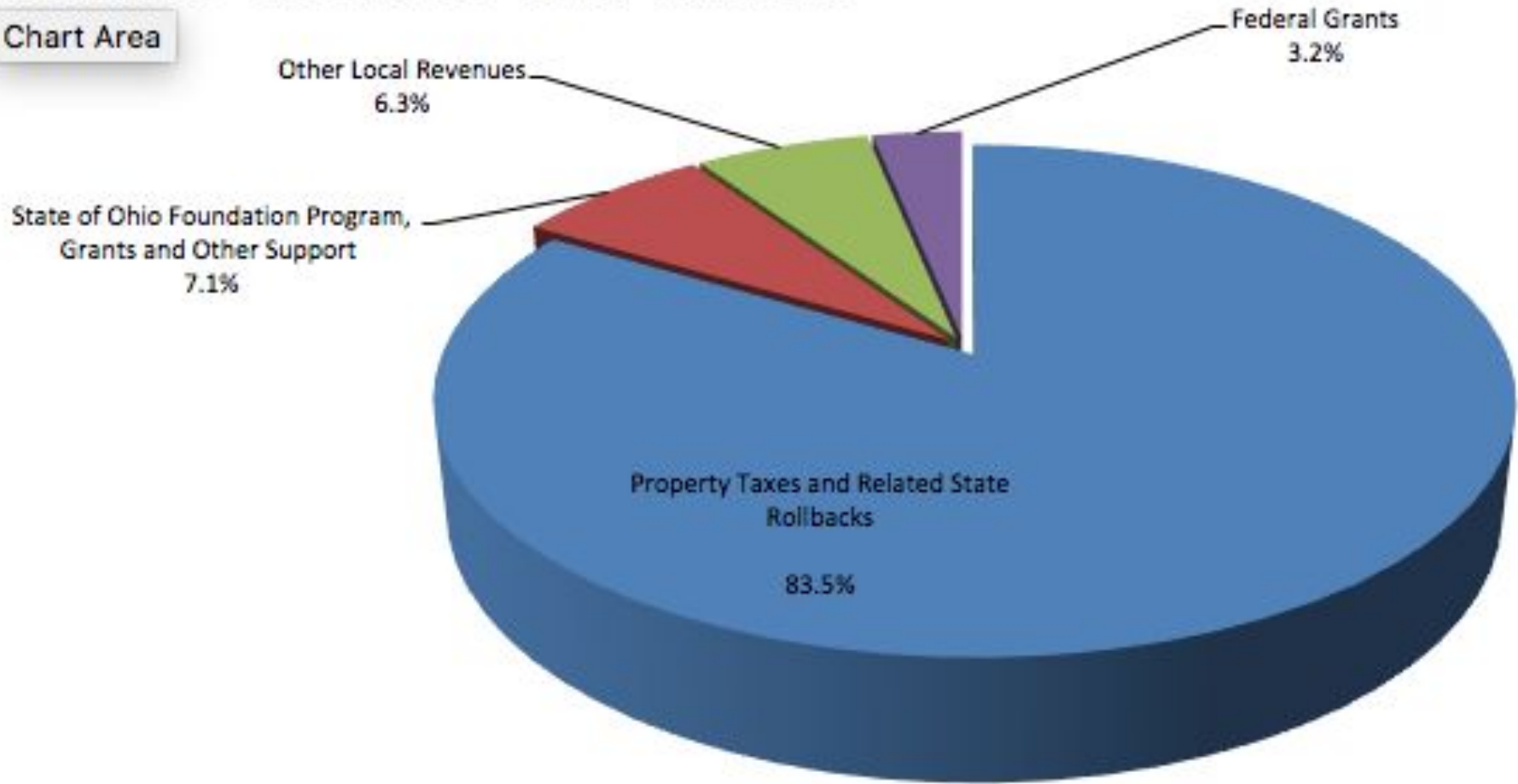
- The Rocky River City School District remains committed to the highest standards of fiscal accountability, responsibility and transparency. As such, we allocate resources only after a thorough study, discussion and reflection. We then monitor those resources with great care.

• **District five-year forecast available at**  
***[www.RRCS.org/OfficeoftheTreasurerCFO](http://www.RRCS.org/OfficeoftheTreasurerCFO)***

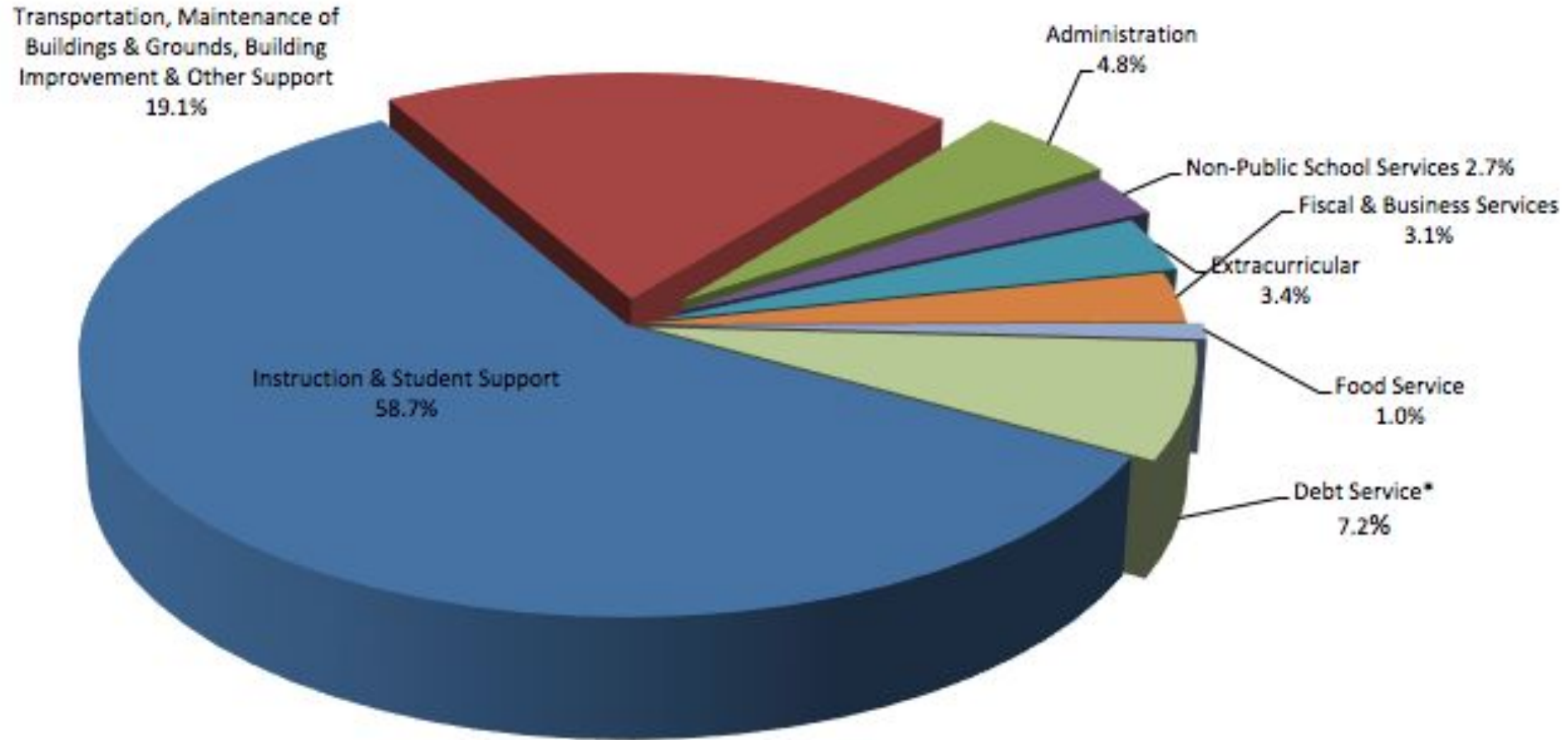


# Revenues - All Sources - Fiscal Year 2019

Chart Area



# Expenditures - All Funds - Fiscal Year 2019





# COMMUNITY TAX BILL COMPARISON

Rank	School District SORTED BY RES/AGR EFFECTIVE RATE *out of the 31 districts county-wide*	School District - Res/Agr Effective Rate	Res/Ag School Tax Bill per \$100,000 Market Value*
10	Chagrin Falls	59.39	2,078.65
11	Lakewood	54.94	1,922.90
13	North Olmsted	53.61	1,876.35
14	Solon	51.94	1,817.90
15	Fairview Park	51.76	1,811.60
17	Bay Village	50.39	1,763.65
20	Olmsted Falls	49.29	1,725.15

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22	Orange	44.35	1,552.25
24	Beachwood	43.11	1,508.85
<b>26</b>	<b>Rocky River</b>	<b>41.94</b>	<b>1,467.90</b>
29	Independence	33.44	1,170.40
30	Westlake	32.96	1,153.60



# TOTAL EXPENDITURE PER PUPIL BY DISTRICT

Orange City	\$20,101.00
Beachwood City	\$16,216.00
Independence Local	\$14,649.00
Chagrin Falls Exempted Village	\$13,886.00
Solon City	\$13,618.00
North Olmsted City	\$12,640.00

<b>Rocky River City School District</b>	<b>\$12,406.00</b>
Bay Village City	\$12,398.00
Westlake City	\$12,331.00
Lakewood City	\$11,532.00
Fairview Park City	\$10,900.00
Olmsted Falls City	\$10,700.00

*2018-2019 School Year*

*Source: Ohio Department of Education*



# PROJECTED 2021 LEVY

- Board of Education may consider a 4.9 mill levy in 2021.
  - 2022 collection if approved.
- Recommend combination millage - operating funds and permanent improvement funds.
- Refinancing will yield a reduction of approximately 1 mill in 2021.



# PARTNERSHIPS

- **Boosters**

Jeff Brant, Co-President  
Lori Brant, Co-President

- **Campus Foundation**

David Furry  
Todd Milenius  
Gregg Mylett  
Rick Pichola  
Victor Rauser

- **Rocky River Education Foundation**

Brian Sindelar, President

- **Rocky River PTA Council**

Mandy Smith, President

- **City of Rocky River**

Mayor Pam Bobst  
RRPD Chief Kelly Stillman  
Group Purchasing  
Shared Facilities  
School Resource Officers





# SPRING TOWN HALL MEETING

## Hidden in Plain Sight

Monday, March 9, 2020

7:00pm

Rocky River Middle School Commons

*This presentation is centered around a teenager's bedroom that is set up as part of the event to allow parents, grandparents, caregivers, teachers and other adults to explore a mock teenager's bedroom to see and identify drug paraphernalia and hiding places along with other signs that may indicate alcohol or other drug use by a teen.*



# Thank you for your continued support of the Rocky River City School District

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