



ROCKY RIVER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT QUALITY PROFILE

2013-14



A successful school district places a high degree of importance on ensuring that all children have the opportunity to reach their full potential inside and outside of the classroom. This profile helps characterize the overall educational value of your school district in areas that matter most in our community.

View the Rocky River City School District Strategic Plan:

<http://www.rrcs.org/StrategicPlanning.aspx>



ACADEMICS

Our district's academic program provides opportunities for all students to reach their full potential.

- Rocky River City School District has been rated in the "Top Ten" by Cleveland Magazine since 1998.
- Graduates of the Class of 2014 were awarded college scholarships worth over \$8.3 million.
- 89% of 2014 graduates enrolled in higher education, with 77% attending four-year colleges and 12% attending two-year colleges.
- U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Appointment – 1 student
- Class of 2014 graduates were accepted at 192 different colleges.
- ACT Perfect Score – 3 students
- ACT Composite Mean: 24
- SAT Critical Reading + Mathematics Mean: 1162
- National Merit Summary
 - Class of 2013– 2 Semi-Finalists; 10 Commended Students
 - Class of 2014 – 3 Semi-Finalists; 6 Commended Students
- Advanced Placement Courses Offered - 12
- Advanced Placement Results – 2014
 - Total AP Exams taken – 295
 - AP scores of 3 or higher – 278
 - AP Scholars – 26
 - AP Scholars with Honors – 9
 - AP Scholars with Distinction – 27
 - National AP Scholars - 2
- World Languages offered - Spanish, French, German, and Chinese (Distance Learning).
- Dual-credit opportunities through Cuyahoga Community College
 - Math -2 Science – Biology English - 2



ARTS

Participation in performing and visual arts inspires students' creativity, problem-solving and critical thinking skills.

Seventeen high school music and art courses are offered, including one Advanced Placement Music Theory class.

Rocky River High School Vocal Music Awards

- WSC All-Conference Choir – 12 students
- Solo & Ensemble – 7 Students received “Excellent” rating; 7 students received “Superior” rating
- Large Group – Class “A” Mixed Choir: Superior at OMEA District & Superior at OMEA State; Class “B” Treble Choir: Superior at OMEA District & Superior at OMEA State
- OMEA District 4 & 7 Choir – 12 students
- OMEA All-State Choir – 1 student
- National School Choral Award – 1 student
- Lakewood & Rocky River Rotary Music Contest – 1 student awarded 3rd place

Rocky River High School Instrumental Music Awards

- All Conference Band - 12 Students
- Solo and Ensemble - 20 Superior solos; 7 Excellent Solos; 10 Superior Ensembles; 1 Excellent Ensemble
- Large Group – Class "C" Concert Band: Superior at OMEA District & Excellent at OMEA State; Class "A" Wind Ensemble: Superior at OMEA District & Superior at OMEA State
- OMEA All District Band – 2 students
- OMEA All State Band – 1 Student
- United States Marine Corps *Semper Fidelis* Award – 1 Student
- John Philip Sousa Foundation Sousa Award – 1 Student
- John Philip Sousa Foundation Jazz Award – 1 Student

Rocky River High School Art Competition Awards

- Regional Scholastic Art Competition
 - Gold Key- 2 students; Silver Key- 1 student; Honorable Mention- 2 students
- Regional Governor's Competition
- Bay Arts Scholarship Competition
 - First place – 2 students; Honorable mention- 1 student
- Lakewood Rocky River Rotary Club Visual Arts Competition
 - Third Place- 1 student; Honorable Mention- 1 student
 - Placed for exhibit- 11 students
- Town Planner Calendar Art Competition - 8 students
- Pat Catan's Iron Crafters - First place team- 2 students
- First Federal Of Lakewood High School Art Competition

Music and art classes are taken by all middle school students. Students also have the opportunity to participate in choir and band.

Rocky River Middle School Vocal Music Awards

- OMEA District IV Middle School Honors Festival
 - Honors Choir - 9 students
 - Honors Orchestra - 1 student
- OMEA District IV Middle School Solo & Ensemble Contest
 - Vocal Soloists - 37 students (27 Superior & 10 Excellent)
 - Vocal Ensembles - 72 students in 8 ensembles
- Music in the Parks Large Group Contest
 - Choir 7 - 80 students - Superior rating
 - Choir 8 - 75 students - Superior rating

Rocky River Middle School Instrumental Music Awards

- Greater Cleveland Solo and Ensemble Contest
 - 62 participants
 - 48 superior ratings
 - 2 excellent ratings
- MS Jazz Band
 - Superior Rating at Music in the Parks Festival at Cedar Point.
 - Tied for most outstanding Jazz Band

Rocky River Middle School Art Competition Awards

- Regional Scholastic Art Competition
 - Silver Key – 1 student
 - Honorable Mention – 1 student
- Cleveland Recycles Award
- The Hope and Stanley Adelstein Award for Excellence / Earth Day Coalition Art Contest



STUDENT LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

A well-rounded education includes a wide variety of opportunities.

Athletic Teams

- Rocky River Middle School - 10
- Rocky River High School – 24
- All-Ohio Girls' Soccer Team – State Champions
- All-Ohio Boys' Lacrosse Team - State Runner- Up
- Girls' Cross Country Division I State Team Qualifier
- National Soccer Coaches Association of America: State Coach of the Year – Girls' Soccer
- Ohio State Soccer Coaches Association: Coach of the Year Division II - Girls' Soccer
- WSC Coach of the Year: Girls' Golf; Ice Hockey; Boys' Soccer; Girls' Soccer; Boys' and Girls' Swimming & Diving; Boys' Tennis; Girls' Tennis

Activities/Clubs

- Kensington Intermediate School – 5
- Rocky River Middle School - 10
- Rocky River High School – 26

Awards

- RRHS students won Cleveland Clinic's Math eXpressions "Best in Show"
- RRHS Junior Achievement Titan Competition – 3rd and 4th places
- RRHS Academic Challenge Team was a runner-up in the regional competition and qualified for the state competition.
- RRHS student won first place in the Rotary Club's annual Four-Way Test Speech Contest for Rotary International District 6630
- Forty students from Rocky River Middle School took part in National History Day and one team won 1st place for Best History Exhibit, Junior Division/Middle Schools.
- RRMS was awarded a \$10,000 grant from the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage as part of the museum's annual Stop the Hate: Youth Speak Out essay contest. The grant was for having the highest percentage of student essays entered in the contest. Over 500 RRMS students entered.



FISCAL STEWARDSHIP

Financial responsibility ensures that the majority of funding is spent on classroom instruction.

Expenditure Per Pupil = \$11,987

Classroom Instruction % of Expenditures = 68.6%

Consortium/Group Purchasing:

- Suburban Health Consortium – employee medical and prescription coverage
- Lakewood Career Technical District – career technical educational programming
- Ohio Schools Council – natural gas, financial software, food and commodities purchasing, bus purchasing, copy paper and office supplies, maintenance supplies
- Power4Schools - electricity
- North Coast Council – accounting and payroll systems, state EMIS reporting, student information management software, internet connectivity
- HPS – food and commodities purchasing
- Association of Educational Purchasing Agencies – artificial turf field
- The Cooperative Purchasing Network – playground site work and equipment
- City of Rocky River Partnership – artificial turf field, gasoline purchasing, facility usage (ice rink, tennis courts)

Awards

- Government Finance Association Award
- Ohio Auditor Award with Distinction FY 2012



PARENT & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Educational experiences are enhanced by partnerships between the school district and community.

- PTA Council, 5 PTA Units
- Rocky River Education Foundation – to date, the RREF has funded in excess of \$777,000 in grants to teachers and donor-named scholarships.
- Campus Foundation – nonprofit group formed to enhance the campus at Rocky River High School. Over \$300,000 raised to date to fund landscapes and student courtyard renovations.
- Rocky River Activities and Athletics Boosters – donated \$68,000 in 2014
- The Marooners – football parent support group donated over \$40,000 to date
- Goldwood Primary School Playground Committee – PTA/District collaborative to install new playground equipment with donations from individuals and organizations.
- Rocky River High School Stadium Turf Field Replacement – City-School collaborative
- MBI Products Company, Inc – donated over \$57,000 in acoustical panels and wall murals for Rocky River High School and Goldwood Primary School
- Rocky River City-School Emergency Management Team – District administration, police, fire and city safety services collaborate to review and implement Emergency Management Plan
- Cops on Patrol in Schools (COPS) Program – Rocky River Police Department
- Citizens' Finance Committee – provides advice to the Rocky River Board of Education on matters of fiscal policy.



STUDENT SERVICES

A variety of services provide options to ensure all students receive individualized instruction, enrichment and support.

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- Rocky River is proud to provide student instruction tailored to individual needs by a variety of highly qualified personnel:
 - Teachers
 - Intervention specialists
 - Gifted intervention specialists
 - Tutors (English Language Learners, Special Education, Literacy, Phonemic Awareness, Enrichment)
- Research-based, tiered levels of intervention and enrichment provide opportunities for students of all ability levels to participate in rich, meaningful learning, in a variety of settings:
- Federal grant funding supports:
 - Early childhood education and preschool
 - Intervention for students with disabilities
 - Early literacy intervention K-5
 - Tutoring for English Language Learners across the district
 - High quality professional development for P-12 staff
- National Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence:
 - Kensington Intermediate School, 2011
 - Rocky River High School, 2012
- 12 Advanced Placement (AP®) courses and 3 dual-enrollment college courses are offered on-site at Rocky River High School.
- World language instruction beginning in grade 7



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Rocky River Middle School	440-356-6870
Rocky River High School.....	440-356-6800

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