

OWENSBORO  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

1871

TRADITION • INNOVATION • EXCELLENCE



# By the Numbers

4,700+ Students served in our district

Students receiving  
free/reduced lunch

77%

34

National Board Certified Teachers

English Language Learners

5%

14:1

Student to Faculty Ratio

# Welcome to OPS

Future OPS Faculty and Staff,

I want to take a moment to thank you for your interest in our incredible school district.

Throughout my tenure with Owensboro Public Schools, I have seen immense growth in our three core areas of Tradition, Innovation and Excellence and I believe you can be a valuable part of the future of our district and the lives of our student population.

Please take a moment to review this book and learn about the endless education possibilities you can have at OPS. I hope you will consider making Owensboro the home for your future in education.

I look forward to having the opportunity to meet you.

Regards,  
Matthew Constant, EdD  
Superintendent, Owensboro Public Schools



# Tradition



Since 1871, Owensboro Public Schools has held to a tradition of engaging the whole child by providing early access to literacy and mathematics and providing college, career and life readiness to all students.

It is our goal to promote the health, well-being and diversity of all students while engaging families and the community in the education of our children.



- Arts Opportunities for Every Student
- 31 State Championships in Athletics
- Early Learning Academy
- K-5 and 6-8 Configuration
- Numerous Community Partnerships

# Innovation

## Owensboro Innovation Academy and iMiddle School

Our district opened the Owensboro Innovation Academy in 2015 and Owensboro Innovation Middle School in 2019 as another way to provide students an alternative to traditional learning. Students learn through project-based assignments and immerse themselves in hands-on learning to actively retain valuable material. Projects often consist of direct partnerships with community partners to create real-world results that are put to use.

## Top 25 District of Innovation

Owensboro Public Schools prides itself on being named a National Top 25 District of Innovation. By incorporating innovation in both teaching and learning, our district has created a learning community for all students that utilizes cutting-edge teaching and technology that fosters an environment of collaborative leadership, trust and open communication.

## Bluegrass Scholars Program

The Bluegrass Scholars Program was designed to create an experience for students representing a world-class standard of education. Highly individualized programs allow students to learn at their own pace in an environment where they thrive. In addition to their core curriculum, students will have the opportunity to immerse themselves in real-world situations in arts, environment, politics and more through experiential learning. This can be through civic engagement, cooperative experience, performance or projects.

# Excellence



Excellence is a core value throughout all of Owensboro Public Schools. We strive to be a district that attracts, recruits, develops and retains the highest-caliber workforce.

It is our goal to be a district that provides everyone, from administration to operations and facilities with resources that are efficient, effective, process-driven and mission-focused.

This foundational value has led to the creation of a positive district culture with an award-winning faculty and world-class facilities.

# About Owensboro



## Location

Owensboro is located directly on the scenic Ohio River in western Kentucky. The city is located within a two-hour drive of Louisville and Nashville and roughly 200 miles from Indianapolis and St. Louis. Owensboro's airport also offers direct flights to St. Louis and Nashville. The city is at the center of one of the country's most dynamic regions.

## Entertainment

Owensboro is known as "Kentucky's Festival City", hosting more than 20 annual celebrations, including the famous International BBQ Festival. The downtown area has recently seen a complete revitalization, boasting a new riverfront park, convention center and Bluegrass Hall of Fame that hosts the annual ROMP Bluegrass Festival. Owensboro also has its very own stop on the Kentucky Bourbon Trail with the O.Z. Tyler Distillery.

## Lifestyle

There is no shortage of things to do in Owensboro. The city has 25 beautiful public parks that include golf courses, archery ranges, hiking trails and more. Friday After 5 is a summer concert series that features great local and regional talent each Friday night. For the active crowd, there is a 15-mile long greenbelt park that circles the city and is full of runners, walkers and cyclists.

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