



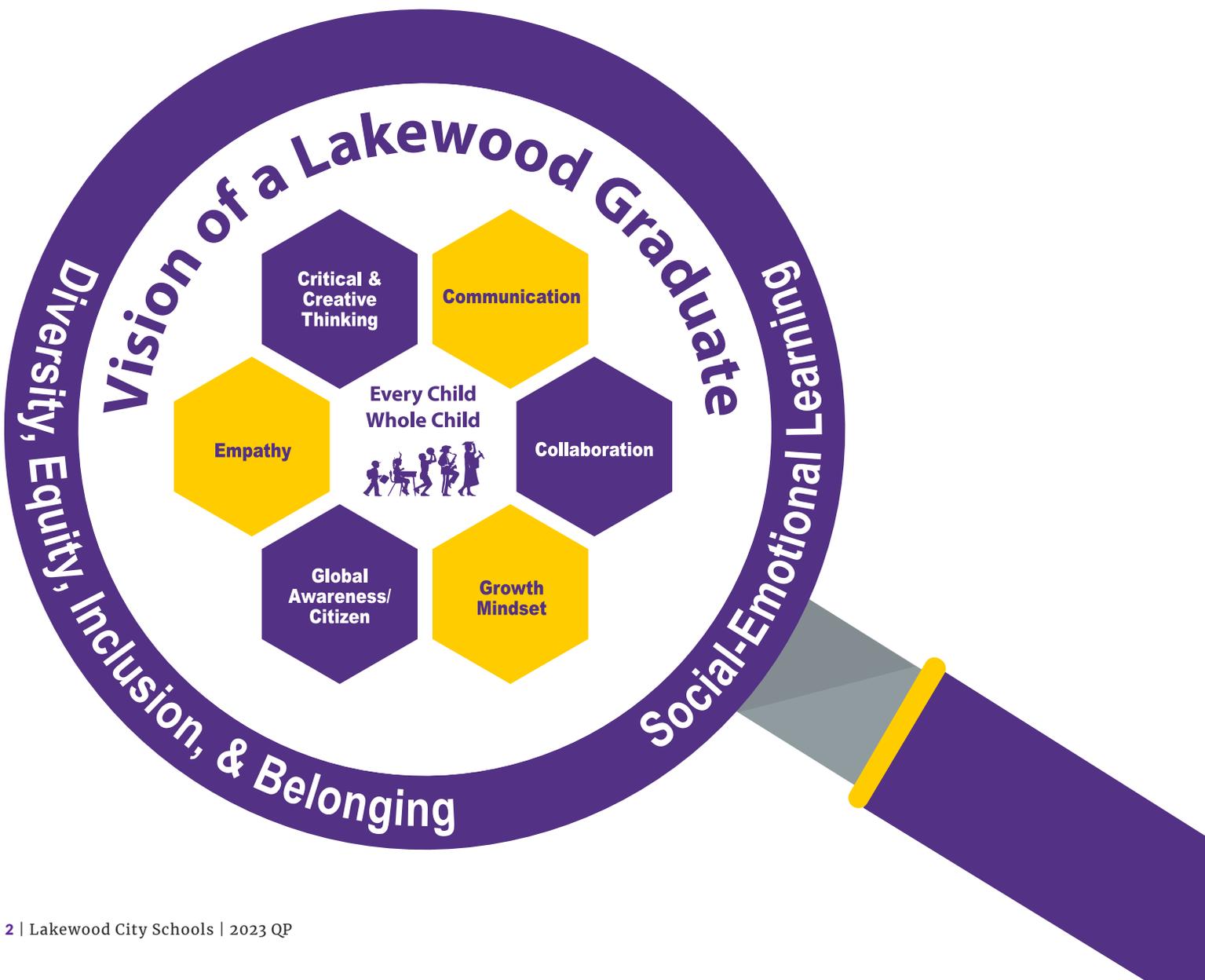
LAKEWOOD  
CITY SCHOOLS



QUALITY PROFILE 2023

# VISION OF A LAKEWOOD GRADUATE

As reflected by our Vision of a Lakewood Graduate, the Lakewood City Schools educate for the whole child, from preschool through graduation. Our students' success greatly depends upon the skills and competencies they develop during their time at Lakewood City Schools. We approach the teaching of these competencies through the lens of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging and Social-Emotional Learning. We also have our Vision of a Lakewood Educator, which highlights the critical skills that all of our educators strive to demonstrate in relation to each competency in order to make our vision for our students a reality.



# ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

The educational success of our students is paramount to the overall health of our schools. We believe that success begins with our teachers, 99% of whom have been designated as “Highly Qualified” according to the Ohio Department of Education. While student success begins with dedicated faculty, it continues with the multitude of opportunities for the academic growth our students enjoy. We not only strive for excellence in our own community but aim to prepare students for achievement beyond their time with Lakewood City Schools as well.

## LAKEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

200+

courses offered

20

AP courses  
offered at LHS

67

AP Scholars

1

Perfect AP Score

3 National

Merit Semifinalists,  
2 Commended Scholars

Class of 2022

ACT scores outpace  
national and state averages

13

West Shore  
Career-Tech programs

124 LHS students  
earned credit through  
College Credit Plus

78%

of AP exam scores  
were 3 or above

### Offered at All Buildings

All buildings have makerspaces/STEM programs with dedicated STEM educators. Our middle School Project Lead the Way program includes Green Architecture, App Creators, and Automation and Robotics.

### Early Childhood Education

The Early Childhood Education Program has been a successful part of our community since 1990. We aim to pave the way for future success through a strong early foundation. Options for students ages 3-6 include full-day classes with before and afterschool care or a half-day classes. A sliding fee scale means every child has an opportunity to enroll.



# STUDENT WELL-BEING

The District's support for students' social-emotional health is extensive:

Special education teachers at every building

Elementary student wellness specialists to teach/support social-emotional skills

School counselors, psychologists and social worker on staff

An onsite mental health navigator to help with risk assessments and provide family support

Partnerships with BellefaireJCB and OhioGuidestone for individual and group counseling

Mindfulness and movement intervention program districtwide

Cleveland Clinic partnership with onsite physical and mental health services and mobile physical services

Ongoing professional development focused on strategies to foster empathy, mindfulness, equity and inclusion

Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) framework in place in each building

Collaboration with community partners to access support for families to meet basic needs

Attendance intervention teams

Teachers/tutors for English learners/emerging bilingual students at each building

After school mentoring program for English learners

A wide variety of clubs and activities to promote student belonging



# STUDENT ACTIVITIES/LEADERSHIP



40+  
clubs at the  
high school



20+  
clubs at the  
middle schools



26  
varsity sports



H2O Youth  
volunteer  
organization in  
partnership with  
City of Lakewood



Superintendent  
Student Advisory  
Committee

## Fine Arts

The fine arts are one of the foundations upon which the excellence of the Lakewood City Schools is built. Our student visual artists and musicians and their teachers continue to be recognized on the local, state and national level. Our community's support is reflected in our district annually earning the designation of Best Communities for Music Education by the National Music Merchants Association going on six straight years. Partnerships with professional groups such as the Cleveland Orchestra and Cavani String Quartet offer our students' extraordinary opportunities to grow musically.



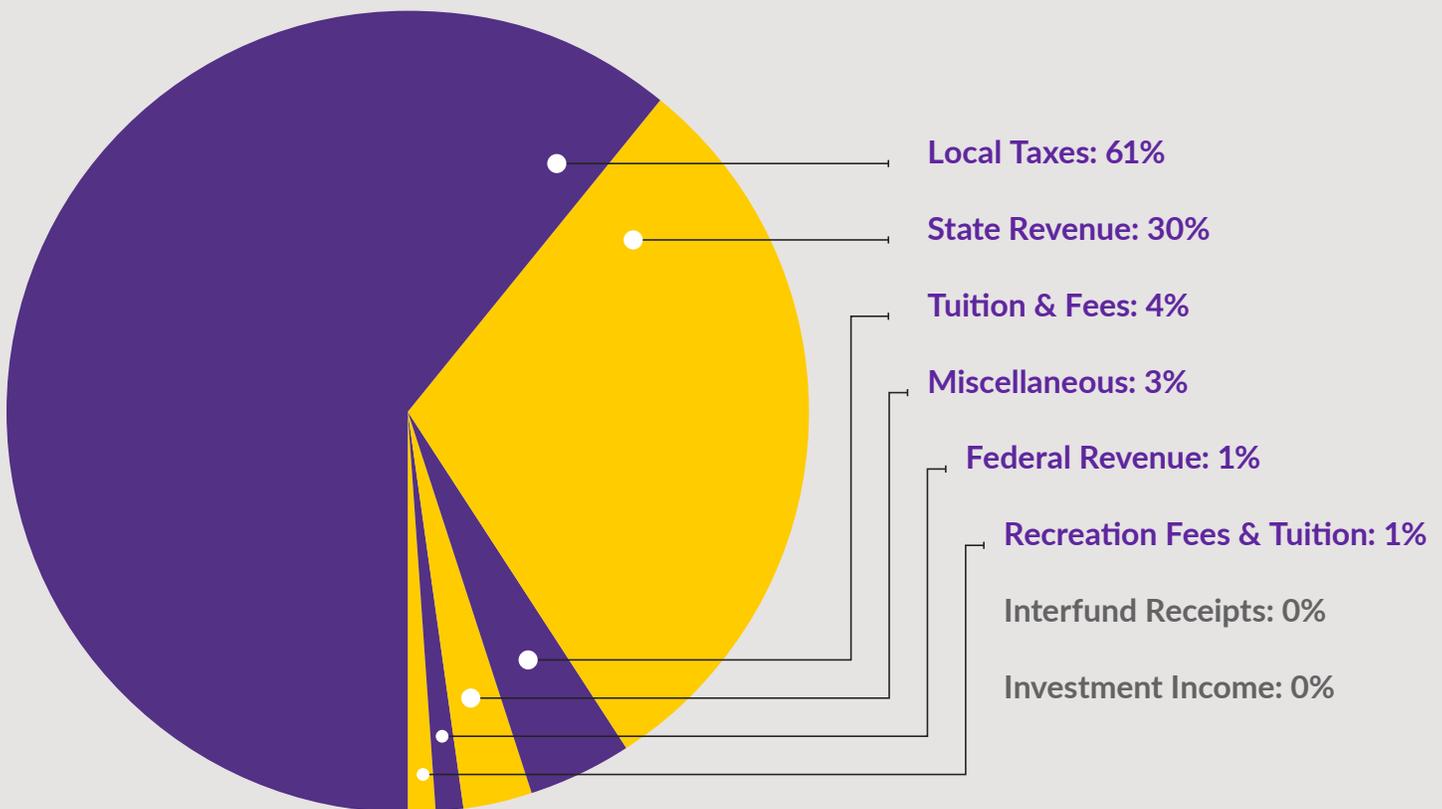
# FISCAL STEWARDSHIP

An investment in education is one for the future of our community, and we deliver a high return. Lakewood City Schools provides an exceptional value for our community by being efficient and financially responsible while maintaining the expected academic excellence. We have received the Auditor of the State Award for Financial Reporting for eight straight years.

As part of the federal government's multiple pandemic aid and relief programs (commonly referred to as ESSER funds), Lakewood City Schools will receive a total of \$17.1 million spread over four years to address learning and operational needs directly impacted by the pandemic. This additional funding is earmarked to boost our learning opportunities, technology and STEM resources, and staff support for our students across all grades.

The chart below outlines the sources for the District's total revenue:

## Our Revenues and Resources Fiscal Year 2021: Where the General Fund Money Comes From



**Total Revenues & Resources: \$75,928,852**

# PARENT & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Our Lakewood Schools families and community members support us in many concrete and intangible ways. Our PTAs/PTOs and boosters groups provide invaluable support for our students, staff and teams, as does the [Lakewood Rangers Education Foundation](#). The Superintendent hears directly from parents and the community at multiple Listen & Learn sessions throughout the school year. Grants from local organizations such as the [Healthy Lakewood Foundation](#) and [Three Arches Foundation](#) have been critical in allowing us to better serve our students' social-emotional needs and to improve technology access for all our families. Most recently, 1,600 responded to our call for input on developing our new [three-year strategic plan](#). We are grateful to live in a community that shows up for its students!





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