



VANDALIA- BUTLER

CITY SCHOOLS

Our Children, Our Community...We are Aviators!



Mission

Empowering students to be Aviators for life with capabilities, resiliency, and resources wherever they soar!

2022-2023 QUALITY Profile

Vision

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Our Community...
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SUPERINTENDENT'S *Message*

At Vandalia-Butler City Schools, we are widely recognized for our long-standing traditions in academic excellence and fiscal discipline.

Students come first and are supported by exceptional teachers who are dedicated to helping our community's children realize their full potential. From challenging courses to outstanding extracurriculars, we offer a well-rounded educational experience to provide students with the knowledge and skills they need to be successful in an ever-changing world. Together, our teachers, support staff, administrators, parents, and community members share a genuine passion for fostering student achievement.

This Vandalia-Butler City Schools Quality Profile demonstrates the value our community places on education and the strides the district is making to offer a well-rounded educational experience while focusing on the "whole" child. It will also highlight the district's commitment to being fiscally responsible and true partners with the Vandalia-Butler community.

We consider it an honor to serve the students, families, community members and visitors of this great community and strive to reflect its values, traditions and expectations. To that end, we value your feedback and encourage you to contact us with your thoughts, concerns, questions, and ideas.

It is a great time to be an Aviator!

Robert M. O'Leary
Superintendent, Vandalia-Butler City Schools



VANDALIA-BUTLER

At a Glance



The Vandalia-Butler City School District (VBCSD) serves approximately 3,000 students from preschool through twelfth grade. The school district covers an area of 37 square miles, including the City of Vandalia and Butler Township. The district is recognized by the state as a Purple Star district for being supportive of military-connected students and their families. With a team of school safety officers unique to the district, VBCSD provides a safe and caring learning environment for students, staff, and families.

The district is guided by a strategic plan that was created in partnership with representatives from the community. The plan was created to establish a set of goals within five strategic principles which include the following:

- Sustain Academic Excellence**
- Hire, Develop, and Retain Staff Talent**
- Assure Stakeholder Engagement**
- Promote Local Governance**
- Maintain a Future Facilities Plan**



ENROLLMENT

3,004 Students
(Prek-12)

DISTRICT SIZE
37 Square Miles



OUR SCHOOLS

Butler High School
Morton Middle School (6-8)
Smith Middle School 4-5)
Demmitt Elementary School (K-3)
Helke Elementary School (K-3)
Vandalia-Butler Preschool

CELEBRATING

The Class of 2023

Family and friends gathered to celebrate the commencement of 218 Butler High School seniors on May 22, 2023. The commencement ceremony marked the 101st class to have graduated from Butler High School.

Leading up to graduation, seniors enjoyed many activities including a picnic where they received their eighth grade time capsules, a VIP Night recognizing important individuals who impacted their lives, Senior Awards Night, and a district tour stopping at all of our schools.



Hashem Albezreh was named a Coca-Cola Scholar. 0.16% of students nationally earn this award.

4-Year
Graduation Rate
98.3%

The Class of 2023 earned \$8,406,809 in post secondary scholarships.

Over the last three years, Butler High School students have earned over \$30 million dollars in post secondary scholarships.

85%

Graduates will continue their education.

11%

Graduates will enter the work force full-time.

4%

Graduates will enlist in the military.



ACT Scores

Average of the Top 10% | 28.8

Average of the Top 25% | 25.6

Average of the Top 50% | 22.2

ACADEMICS

At Vandalia-Butler City Schools, we offer a multitude of unique opportunities for our students. From dual credit Advance Placement (AP) and College Credit Plus (CCP) courses to STEM, astronomy, industrial arts and fine arts, our course programming offers a variety of experiences to ensure our students are prepared for the future beyond high school whether they continue their education, enlist, or enter the workforce. Of the many courses available includes a new Constitution class at Butler High School. The district also boasts a planetarium and astronomy curriculum for all grade levels.



56 New Members were inducted into the National Honor Society



AP Scholars
(Scoring 3 or higher on three or more AP exams.)

10

Vandalia-Butler expanded the CTC satellite program to include full-time positions at both Morton and Butler.

AP Scholars with Honor
(Scoring an average of 3.25 on all AP exams, and scores of 3 or higher on four or more exams.)

5

Courses offered include robotics, engineering, advanced robotics, manufacturing operations, and engineering capstone options.

AP Scholars with Distinction
(Scoring an average of 3.5 on all AP exams, and scores of 3 or higher on five or more exams.)

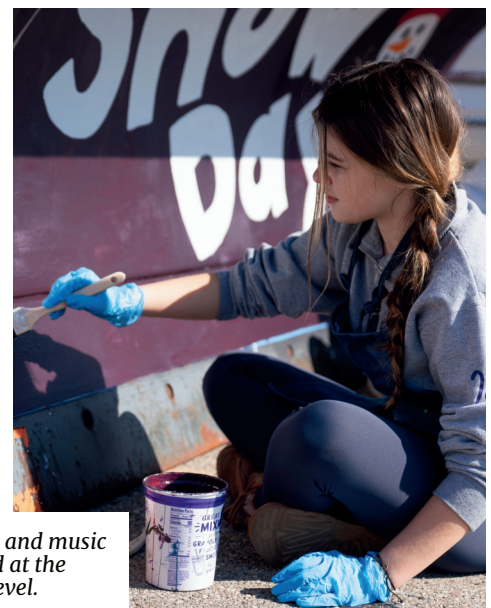
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Project Lead the Way

PLTW provides transformative learning experiences for students and teachers. Students are engaged in hands-on STEM activities and projects while being empowered to solve real-world problems. PLTW is a nationally recognized STEM curriculum program.



Full-time art and music were restored at the elementary level.



THE ARTS

Visual and performing arts play an important role in the education of our students. The arts have a unique way of developing creativity, communication, and problem-solving skills while inspiring students to achieve beyond their expectations.



Band

Symphonic Band (advanced), **Concert Band** (intermediate), **Marching Aviators** (outdoor ensemble), **Pep Band** (game entertainment), and **Indoor Percussion** (competition-based)

Having the ability to work hard for a performance or a project and getting to perform or display your work not only creates high intrinsic value, but it also helps to build culture with any school and community.

*-Daniel Brinker
Director of Bands*

Choir

Four choir options are offered at Butler High School ranging in levels from beginner to advanced.

Concert Choir (9th grade girls and boys); **Women's Choir** (10-12th grade girls); **Symphonic Choir** (advanced 11-12th grade girls and 10-12th grade boys); **Chamber Choir** (extracurricular choir for select members of the Symphonic Choir).

Performing Arts

Drama - Our drama department produces two productions each year. In the fall, they performed the play "The Curious Savage" and "Little Women" in the spring. Our drama department was recognized by the Miami Valley High School Theatre Association with two awards of merit; one for Overall Production and one for Ensemble for their fall play.

Butler Kickline - The Butler Kickline has been entertaining crowds for over seventy years. The dance team performs at football games and pep assemblies

Color Guard and Winter Guard - Color Guard and Winter Guard perform routines using flags, color guard rifles, and sabres.



Visual Arts

Students from preschool through twelfth grade have the opportunity to participate in visual arts. At the high school, we offer classes such as painting, graphic design, and drawing.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES



The development and enrichment of students beyond the classroom is a focus at Vandalia-Butler City Schools. Students are encouraged to become involved in extracurricular activities, service organizations, clubs, athletics, and other opportunities that become available. When students become involved, they broaden their horizons and gain life experiences that promote character building, learning, leadership and service; a whole child-centered focus.

Service Opportunities

Morton Middle School and Butler High School induct students into the National Honor Society and National Junior Honor Society each year. The groups must meet high academic standards and also provide service to our district and community. Examples of service include a canned food and toy drive benefitting the Vandalia Food Pantry, volunteering for Shoes 4 the Shoeless, and additional community service projects. Students have raised thousands of dollars for local organizations.

Additional service and leadership roles available for students lie within our student congress and student council programs. Students at Smith Middle School raised over \$5,000 for A Special Wish.

Morton Middle School student council members volunteer for Shoes 4 the Shoeless which is an organization that provides new shoes to students in local school districts. They also host a three-on-three basketball tournament to raise funds for the American Heart Association.

At the high school level, Butler students may join Student Congress. Through this leadership group, students help organize an annual blood drive and help plan Homecoming festivities.

Elementary School and Middle School Clubs

Elementary and middle school students have many opportunities for engagement. Student council, national junior honor society and WEB groups provide leadership development. Students also enjoy unique experiences such as the elementary Ukulele Club, Smith's Handbell Choir, and Morton's popular Fishing Club, to name a few.

High School Clubs

With over twenty options, there is something for nearly every student. In addition to service-focused clubs such as Hope Squad, Interact and Octagon, students may join the Academic Challenge, Chess Club, and even Spanish and Latin clubs.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

During the 2022-2023 athletic season, over seven hundred students from grades seven through twelve participated in athletics. Of those seven hundred students, over three hundred were multi-sport athletes.

Vandalia-Butler students compete in OHSAA sanctioned events and are part of the Miami Valley League, a conference comprised of ten total local school districts.

New this year, Butler Athletics added a golf simulator featuring two golf bays and a 20x20 indoor putting green. The project was completed during the winter of 2022, and used zero tax dollars.

Middle School Athletics

Boys: Basketball, cross country, football, track, and wrestling.

Girls: Basketball, cheer, cross country, softball, track, and volleyball.

High School Athletics

Boys: Baseball, basketball, bowling, cross country, football, golf, soccer, swimming, tennis, track, and wrestling.

Girls: Basketball, bowling, cheer, cross country, golf, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, track, and volleyball.

MVL Champions

Girls Basketball

Boys Swimming

Boys Track & Field

Wrestling

MVL Athletes of the Year

Jordan Gross - Track & Field

Noah Moreland - Wrestling

Natalie Schoenherr - Tennis

Eleanor Towe - Cross Country



State Championship Appearances

Teams

Girls Bowling | 11th Overall

Individuals

Jordan Gross | Track & Field

Jadon Gyan | Wrestling

Jack Hoskins | Wrestling

Parker Lee | Wrestling | 7th Overall

Noah Moreland | Wrestling | 2nd Overall

Eleanor Towe | Cross Country

All-State Honors

Jordan Gross | Parker Lee | Noah Moreland | Hunter Richardson



PARENT & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

At Vandalia-Butler City Schools, we believe that the success of our students is not only dependent on the quality of education they receive in the classroom but also on the support they receive from our community. That is why we strive to maintain strong partnerships and connections with the families and businesses in our community. We believe that a strong community is essential to building strong schools, and we are committed to working together to provide our students with the best possible education. We value the trust and confidence that our community places in us, and we are dedicated to using our resources to make a positive impact on the lives of our students and their families. Together, we can ensure that every student who walks through our doors has the opportunity to reach their full potential and achieve their dreams. The support and involvement from our community is essential in achieving those goals.



VISIONS

The VISIONS Endowment Fund, a branch of the V-B Foundation, awarded nearly \$38,000 in grants and commitments to support innovative classroom initiatives.

Some of the projects supported include:

- Wireless microphones
- Adaptive tricycles
- Project Lead the Way STEM
- Flexible seating options
- Planetarium upgrades
- Vision boards

Over \$240,000 has been granted to support education since 2002.



Vandalia-Butler Foundation

The Vandalia-Butler Foundation has supported our Passport to Safety program for over thirty years. Passport to Safety is a program for all kindergarten students to learn basic safety and health skills such as what to do in case of a fire, how to interact with animals, and proper handwashing to name a few, all while engaging with our first responders.



PARENT & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

PTA & PTO

The PTA and PTO organizations support students and staff from kindergarten through eighth grade. They host many student and family engagement activities throughout the year, provide meals for staff, and raise funds for the continuation of the organization.

Fundraisers | Spirit Wear | Donuts with Dad | Muffins with Mom | Books Fairs | Holiday Shops | Kona Ice | Skating Parties | Dances And More!



Athletic Boosters

The Vandalia-Butler Athletic Booster Committee is dedicated to providing financial support and volunteer services to all our athletic teams and student-athletes. Their goals are to develop, sustain and enhance our students' overall athletic experience.



Butler Performing Arts Association

The Butler Performing Arts Association (BPAA) supports our music and performing arts programs, specifically, band, choir, color guard and Kickline. The BPAA hosts several fundraisers, and provides concession stand support during home athletic events. Most recently, the BPAA supported the Marching Aviators and Kickline as they performed in the Magnificent Mile Lights Festival Parade in Chicago, IL.

Business Partner Award

Alan Herzog
McDonald's



Alumni Association

Our alumni association is dedicated to maintaining the strong bond that our alumni have with their alma mater. Every Homecoming, the Alumni Association inducts four alumni into the Hall of Achievement. Banners are hung in the atrium of Butler High School to share the exemplary achievements of our distinguished alumni.



STUDENT SERVICES

We recognize that students have different needs, and as educators it is important to meet the needs of our students. Vandalia-Butler City Schools is committed to offering a personalized education that includes services to ensure all students are successful in meeting their unique goals.



Character Building

The district implements behavioral interventions and supports to create a consistent and effective learning environment for all students and staff. The three core values include resourcefulness, respect, and responsibility.

English Language Learner (ELL)

The purpose of the ELL program is to provide support to students and their families as they transition into a new cultural academic environment. ELL provides instruction to support English language learning using a variety to translation and teaching methods.

Gifted Education

Students who qualify for the gifted program are provided differentiated curriculum, instruction and support services to fully develop their cognitive, academic, creative and artistic abilities. Gifted support services are provided for students in grades three through twelve.

Psychological Services

School psychological services support families, school, and the community in meeting the academic and mental health needs of students.

Special Education Services

VBCSD provides special education for students from preschool through high school. All members of the learning community take responsibility for providing a personalized education plan that meets the needs of students and ensures success.

Tutoring Services

Throughout the 2022-2023 school year, Vandalia-Butler provided tutoring services and targeted intervention support to students during and after school.



FISCAL STEWARDSHIP

ACCOLADES

The Treasurer’s Department has consistently earned high accolades for their excellence in financial reporting.



**Auditor of State Award
with Distinction**



**Highest Achievement in Open
and Transparent Government**

Vandalia-Butler City Schools remains fiscally responsible without sacrificing academic excellence through efficient management of funds. Because of this, we are able to provide exceptional educational value. Through the budget planning process, we believe in directing funds into the classroom where they can have the greatest impact on the quality of education our students receive.

State Funding 101

The Ohio Department of Education bases its funding on the state funding formula, a complex formula that takes into account many factors, but specifically student enrollment and property wealth in a district.



COST PER PUPIL

Vandalia-Butler



State Average



**FUNDING GAP PER PUPIL
\$11,261.10**

STATE FUNDING PER PUPIL

Vandalia-Butler



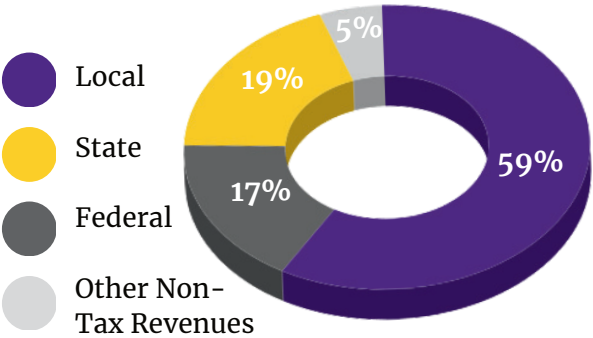
Similar Districts



State Average



SOURCES OF SCHOOL REVENUE



FOR EACH DOLLAR SPENT

67%

Instruction & Pupil Support

18%

Building Operations

13%

Administration

2%

Staff Support



District Pep Rally





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Demmitt Elementary

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