



Delaware City Schools 2022-2023 Annual Report



Year in Review & Fiscal Stewardship



Heidi Kegley,
Superintendent

To Our Delaware Community,

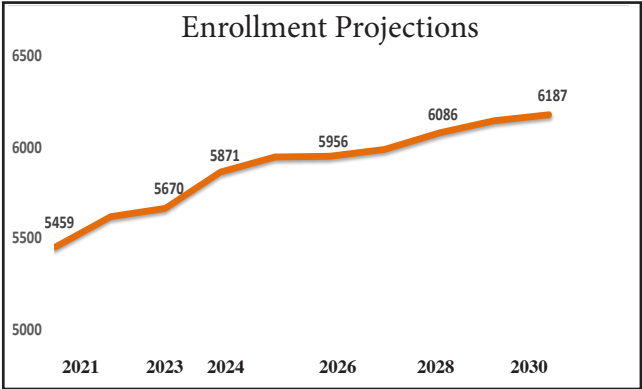
Our Annual Report provides a small glimpse into the wonderful things happening in our Delaware City Schools. Our schools thrive because of the outstanding community partnerships that have been established over the years. I am truly grateful to the businesses, organizations and community leaders who have stepped forward to offer a variety of assistance to our schools, students and families over the past few years.

As we look ahead, we are excited to engage with our community to share our district priorities and receive stakeholder feedback. You will notice an increased focus on career pathways and career exploration for all of our students as we partner with the business community to understand the careers of the future and the skills needed for our students to be successful.

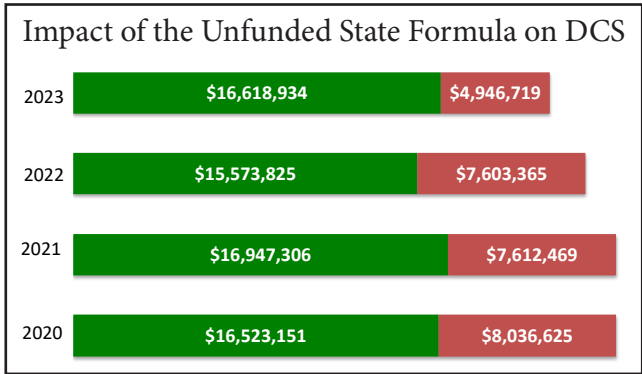
We continue to work with our state legislators on school funding. While we are grateful that the state budget continued the phase in for school funding, there is still much work to be done to bring districts, like Delaware, to the full funding they are entitled to receive. We are also closely monitoring community growth. Delaware is a vibrant community, and families are drawn to our schools. We plan to re-establish our facilities committee in 2024 and seek community feedback on the current state of our school facilities.

Our schools are filled with passionate educators, excited students and engaged family partners. We still have challenges ahead, but we will continue to be flexible as we connect with our students and work together to ensure we provide maximum learning for every student. We thank the Delaware community for your continued support and commitment to excellence with our schools and our community.

Enrollment, School Funding & Achievement



Enrollment projections show manageable growth in student enrollment through 2030.



While the state has made some progress in school funding, the inability to fully implement the school funding formula is still costing our district nearly \$5 million annually.

Delaware City Schools

4.5

Exceeds state standards

State Report Card Rating

Delaware City School District was rated at 4.5 Stars (out of 5) or “Exceeds State Standards.” We celebrate our achievements while knowing there is always more work to be done.

A Message from the Treasurer



Melissa Swearingen,
Treasurer/CFO

It has truly been an honor to serve as the Delaware City Schools Chief Financial Officer for the past eleven years. I feel confident in my departure from the district that DCS is poised for financial success and will continue to be good stewards of your tax dollars.

We have continually challenged ourselves and our staff to find ways to trim costs while providing excellent educational experiences for our students. We are constantly monitoring our financial circumstances and making difficult choices on how best to spend the dollars allocated to us as evidenced by our five-year forecast with an expected positive fund balance through at least 2027.

For more detailed financial information, we invite you to review the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report which can be found on the district's website. Please feel free to reach out to our office at 740-833-1100 with any questions about our district's finances.

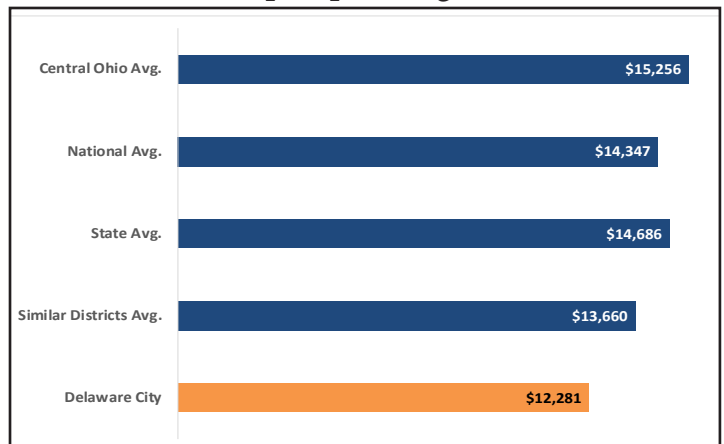
DCS Financial Information

Treasurer/CFO Announcement



The Delaware City Schools Board of Education appointed current Assistant Treasurer, Jill Corwin, as the Treasurer/CFO effective October 14. Ms. Corwin has been employed with Delaware City Schools since 2016 and previously with a private accounting firm, where she was a senior accountant and auditor. Jill holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration and earned her Ohio School treasurer's license.

Per Pupil Spending FY2022

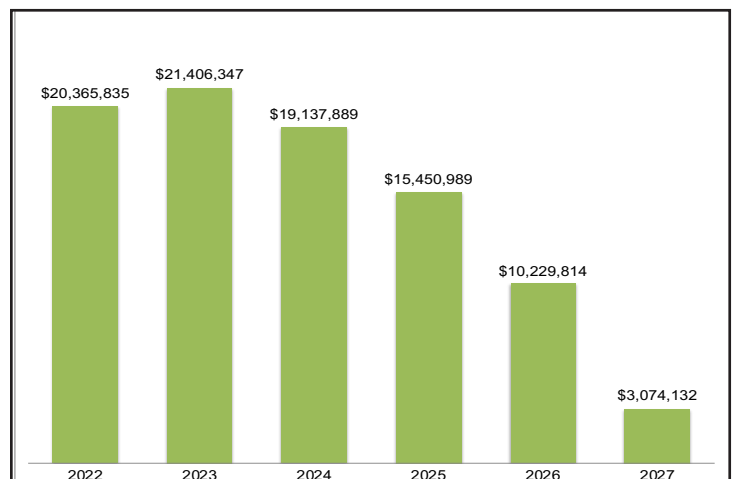


Source: ODE Cupp Report



Delaware City Schools earned the Auditor of State Award with Distinction for excellence in financial reporting for the second consecutive year.

Five Year Forecast Fund Balance*



*As of the May 2023 forecast filing with ODE

Hayes High School & The Class of 2023



Rutherford B. Hayes High School Class of 2023

54 students graduated Summa
Cum Laude (4.0+ GPA)

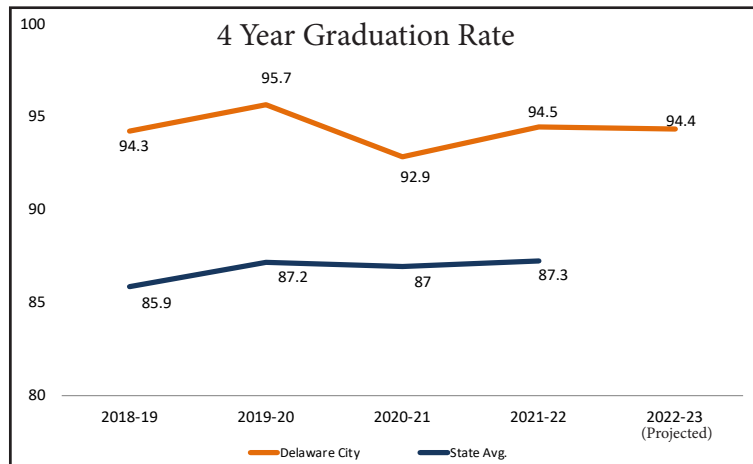
23 students graduated Magna
Cum Laude (3.75 - 3.99 GPA)

35 students graduated Cum
Laude (3.5 - 3.74 GPA)

42 students earned the
Presidential Award of Excellence



Rutherford B. Hayes High
School was named one of the
best high schools by U.S. News
and World
Reports for 2023.



Adam Fronduti, Paul Gabel, Meg Wolf, Rosemary Cranston and Jacob Payne spent the year working on a NASA app challenge. The team was recognized as a top 3 finalist in the nation, which resulted in a paid trip to the NASA Johnson Space Center in Houston, TX.



National Merit Recognition: Allison Dean (National African American Recognition Award); Jonathan Kubelik (National Merit Semifinalist); Grace Metz (National Hispanic Recognition Award); Mia Angulo (National Merit Semifinalist & National Hispanic Recognition Award) and Natalia Hisle (Commended Scholar).

Class of 2023 At a Glance



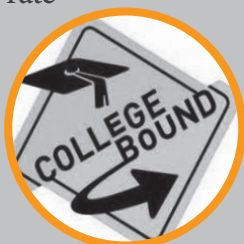
371 graduates with a
94.4% graduation rate



62 students earned
Honors Diplomas



\$5.8 million in
college scholarships



53% plan to further their
education or enlist in the
military



1412 college semester
credits earned through
College Credit Plus



Claire Artemus and Presley Christopher qualified for the national competition in Business Professionals of America in the Presentation category.



The Hayes Winter Guard had an exceptional season winning several competitions. Photo courtesy of OIPA



Hayes Symphonic Choir traveled to Chicago to participate in musical workshops and perform several concerts. The feedback from instructors and concert attendees affirms what we already know -- our music programs are top notch!



Hayes High School students had the opportunity to shadow various professionals at PPG. The day consisted of an introduction of professions represented at the plant, job shadowing and a career panel.

Achievements & Accolades



Dempsey 8th grade students participated in a wreath laying ceremony at The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Wreath layers were selected through an essay contest. Pictured are Maya McCoy, Dori Thoman, Brooke Hill and Conrad Wadkins.



Joanne Meyer and Elizabeth O'Connell (pictured with principals Ric Stranges and Jacob LeGros) received Rotary Teaching in Excellence Awards for 2023. We appreciate that our local Rotary Chapter recognizes the value of great educators in our community.



2023 Hall of Fame inductees included Jim Shaheen (1985), Jeffrey Richards (1973), Peter Strimer (1972 - represented by classmate Jay Brown), Shawn Flahive (1977), Joseph Rieman (2000) and Ceena Dinovo Baker (1971).



Supporting Military Families

All of our Delaware City Schools have received and maintained the Ohio Department of Education's Purple Star designation for outstanding support of military families.

Staff Accolades and Retirements



The DCS library team was recognized as Modern Woodmen Hometown Heroes for their support of child literacy.



Kelly Wagner, Dempsey Middle School's Nurse, was named the Ohio Association of School Nurses (OASN) 2023 School Nurse of the Year.

We thank the following staff members for their dedicated service to our students and schools and wish them well in retirement!

Deb Bogard
Beth Bryant
Melanie Danhof
George Harmon
Jeffrey Hummel
Kathy Kemp
Linda MacNaughton
Annabelle Moses

Ruth Reagan
Karen Rhoads
Dawn Riedlinger
Beverly Rodeheffer
Ellen Stelzer
Phyllis (Ginny) Summers
Marie Weller



Hayes High School won their first ever OCC Capital Division "Ralph C. Young All Sports Trophy" for the 2022-2023 sports seasons.



32 student athletes signed letters of intent to continue their academic and athletic careers at the collegiate level.



Six coaches earned OCC Capital Division Coach of the Year Awards: Garrett Eiben (Swim & Dive), Josh Lamb (Wrestling), Kevin Rieman (Wrestling), Jim Bibler (Cross Country), Greg White (Track and Field) and Mark Thomas (Softball).

Athletic Accomplishments

- Girls Cross Country: OCC Capital Division Champions
- Football: Dalton Allen (3rd Team All Ohio); Austin Koslow (2nd Team All Ohio); Nikeese McCollum (3rd Team All Ohio)
- Boys Swimming/Diving: OCC Capital Division Champions; Kaden Gannon - State Qualifier
- Girls Swimming/Diving: OCC Capital Division Champions; Kaitlyn Sallows - State Runner-up 500 Freestyle/State 4th place 200 Individual Medley; Mackenzie Carter, Kaitlyn Sallows, Kara Glesenkamp, Natalie Fiant - State 8th place 200 Medley Relay; State Qualifiers - Mackenzie Carter (50 Freestyle & 100 Back); Ashley Sallows (200 Freestyle & 500 Freestyle); Kara Glesenkamp (100 Breast); Ashley Sallows, Kaitlyn Sallows, Mia Saksa, Natalie Fiant (200 Freestyle Relay); Ashley Sallows, Anna Lance, Mia Saksa, Mackenzie Carter (400 Freestyle Relay)
- Boys Wrestling: OCC Capital Division Champions; Devin Halliday - State Qualifier
- Girls Wrestling: OHSA Regional Runner-up & OHSA State Team 8th Place; Molly Wells - State Runner-up; Kelcey Dew - State 4th place; State Qualifiers: Kasey Wells, Gracie Rasberry, Evelyn Krauss
- Boys Basketball: District Runner-up; Jesse Burris - 2nd Team All Ohio
- Girls Softball: OCC Capital Division Champions; Lauren Tompkins - Honorable Mention All Ohio
- Girls Track & Field: OCC Capital Division Champions; Kara Glesenkamp - State 7th place High Jump



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