

Centerville City Schools

2018-19

QUALITY PROFILE

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ABOUT CENTERVILLE CITY SCHOOLS

Centerville City Schools serve nearly 8,400 students in Centerville and Washington Township in southwest Ohio, offering a variety of educational programs to a diverse student population. The district operates 13 school buildings, as well as two preschools and a bus facility accommodating and servicing 120 buses that also transports daily to 15 public and 15 non-public schools. Visit www.centerville.k12.oh.us for more information.

The mission of Centerville City Schools, a community of learners, is to provide diverse educational opportunities that develop the skills, attitudes, knowledge and ethics needed to reach individual potential and create a foundation for lifelong learning.

ABOUT THE 2018-19 QUALITY PROFILE

Centerville City Schools has developed a Quality Profile that provides a more detailed look at what our community, staff and students value most in our schools. While state report cards tell part of the story, there are many other important components that make up a comprehensive, high quality educational experience for our students.

This Quality Profile helps characterize the overall educational value of public education beyond standardized testing. The content is based on the 10 categories of Academics, Career Education, Arts, Student Leadership & Activities, Student Services, Staff Leadership, Parent & Community Involvement, Digital Learning, Fiscal Stewardship and Safety & Security.

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ACADEMICS

Our district's academic program provides opportunities for all students to reach their full potential. We strive to use responsive teaching methods in order to meet the needs of each student. Highlights include:

- *U.S. News and World Report* ranked Centerville High School in the top 6% of high schools in Ohio and the top 10% in the nation
- Niche.com lifestyle website ranked Centerville High School #1 in the area, our three middle schools were in the top four, and our six elementary schools were in the region's top 15
- Sinclair Community College and community business and industry partners assisted in linking workplace needs to career pathways with programs such as a panel presentation on skilled trades, reverse job fairs and internships
- First cohort of advanced manufacturing students received their Certified Production Technician credential
- Partnership with University of Dayton's Institute of Applied Creativity for Transformation (IACT) is leading our teachers to a better understanding of the value of creativity and other power skills as we prepare students for success in 21st century markets
- 56% of the Class of 2012 graduated from college within six years, putting Centerville in the top 7% of high schools in the state
- 89% of 2019 graduates planned to attend a two- or four-year institution or specialized school
- Senior Kevin Yin was named one of 161 U.S. Presidential Scholars -- one of just two from Ohio
- 30 seniors were recognized during the National Merit Recipient Assembly (13 Semifinalists, 15 Commended Scholars and two National Hispanic Scholars)
- 24% of 2018-19 seniors graduated with a GPA of 4.0 or better
- Average ACT scores for Class of 2019:*

	Composite	English	Math	Reading	Science
Centerville	24.1	23.7	23.9	25.1	24.5
State	19.2	17.9	19.2	19.7	19.4

**With a few exceptions, all students in the Class of 2019 were required to take the ACT.*

- 13 students received a perfect score on the ACT
- Average SAT scores for Class of 2019:

	Total	ERW	Math
Centerville	1297	641	656
State	1175	584	591

Find a passion and run with it. Don't just go after everything that you think will be fun in the short run or look good for college applications. Find what you enjoy doing and just do it as much as you can.

- Kevin Yin,
Class of 2019,
U.S. Presidential Scholar



By taking a lot of different sciences, I've been able to figure out what I do and don't like in the field of science. I learned that I really like chemistry because of how interactive it can be and how it can be applied in a lot of different aspects in the real world. I plan to take that with me into college and possibly beyond that.

- Sarah Cline,
Class of 2020

- Nearly 600 students took 17 Advanced Placement (AP) courses, and more than 1,400 AP exams were administered in 25 subject areas
- CHS students scored an average of 3.5 on AP exams, with 246 students named AP scholars for receiving a score of 3 or above on three or more exams
- High school students could choose from approximately 220 regular or special education courses, plus 150 Career Education courses
- 293 Centerville students earned 1,854 college credits in 2018-19 through College Credit Plus
- French, German and Spanish offered beginning in middle school, with about 1,550 middle schoolers and 1,680 high schoolers enrolled in foreign language classes
- 65 seniors earned Ohio's Seal of Biliteracy, demonstrating a high level of proficiency in English and at least one world language
- 52% of state tests taken by our students resulted in Accelerated, Advanced or Advanced Plus scores
- About 33% of middle school students and 22% of fourth and fifth grade students participated in an advanced math program
- 15% of kindergarten through fifth grade students received additional literacy support through individualized or small group instruction
- Our ratio for kindergarten and first grade was 19 students per teacher, with 22.5 students per teacher in grades 2-5

CAREER EDUCATION

Students can gain proficiency in a variety of career fields while enrolled in high school. A collaborative effort between Centerville, Kettering and Oakwood High Schools gives juniors and seniors the opportunity to learn career skills while still in high school. Highlights include:

- 462 juniors and seniors participated in 17 distinct Career Education programs (12 offered at Centerville High School and five at Kettering Fairmont High School)
- 209 seniors earned the \$3,000 Tech Prep Scholarship from Sinclair Community College
- 13 students qualified for Business Professionals of America Nationals, six qualified for DECA Nationals, and five students qualified for FFA Soil Judging Nationals
- 92 students earned first or second place awards at the Tech Prep Showcase at Sinclair Community College
- Students enrolled in Career Education programs earned 1,619 college credits

The observations allowed us to see what jobs are truly like. We also got to see different career fields that we may not have thought we would enjoy. Plus, we got to talk to people about schooling – you don't realize how much schooling it actually takes to be in a medical field.

- Janis Rudisill,
Class of 2019



Our goal here at SOP is for students to get their diplomas and put together a plan for life after high school. Internships are a great way for them to make connections and get experience in different career fields.

- Eric Gearhart,
Principal at School
of Possibilities

ARTS

Participation in performing and visual arts inspires students' creativity, problem-solving and critical thinking skills. Fine arts opportunities are offered to our students beginning in preschool and continuing to our award-winning high school musical, theater and visual arts groups. Highlights include:

- Integrated arts classes (art, library, music and physical education) are offered for all grade levels
- Centerville Schools were honored with the Best Communities for Music Education designation from The NAMM Foundation for outstanding commitment to music education
- Primary and elementary students participate in musical performances from preschool through fifth grade
- All six elementary schools offer chorus, with more than 400 students participating in this extracurricular activity district-wide
- First all-district choir was formed with chorus students from grades 5-12
- Centerville Schools hosted Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA) District XII Elementary Honor Choir performance in March, featuring several of our elementary students
- 270 sixth through eighth graders participated in chorus at our three middle schools
- Forte auditioned and was selected as one of the top 10 groups in the country to perform at the National A Cappella Convention in Memphis, Tenn.
- Forte recorded and released their 10th album and released three music videos to go along with it
- Symphonic Choir continued its streak of receiving straight Superior ratings at OMEA Contest, in the toughest class (AA)
- Symphonic Choir auditioned and was selected to perform with Grammy-winning choral composer and arranger Eric Whitacre in New York City
- About 275 students participated in the high school band program, and 325 middle school students participated in band at their respective schools
- Centerville Jazz Band was selected to perform at the 94th Annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City -- one of only seven high school bands from across the country selected to perform in this prestigious event in November 2020
- 2018 Centerville Jazz Band (marching band) placed second at the Bands of America (BOA) Oxford Regional, 12th at the BOA Indianapolis Super Regional, and 26th out of 100 bands at the BOA Grand Nationals Championship Semi-Finals
- 225 students participated in a middle school curricular orchestra, and a number of middle school students participated, through competitive audition, in Centerville Youth Orchestra, Dayton Philharmonic Junior Strings and Dayton Philharmonic Youth Strings



The K-12 music teachers of Centerville are proud to have earned this distinction from NAMM. We are thankful to be part of a school district that supports the musical endeavors of our students. We are also grateful for the community businesses that partner with us to provide lessons, classes and performance opportunities outside of school. We feel blessed to contribute to this wonderful community!

- Debbie Whitlock,
Music Teacher
at Weller Elementary



- 100 students participated in one of three curricular orchestra offerings at CHS, and over half participated in one of three extracurricular offerings the district provides
- 37 orchestra students were named by competitive audition to the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra Education Ensembles (Dayton Philharmonic Junior Strings, Dayton Philharmonic Youth Strings, Dayton Philharmonic Youth Orchestra)
- Since 2003, 22 curricular orchestras have earned a Superior Rating at the OMEA State Orchestra Adjudicated Event, with 14 of those earning unanimous Superior ratings in Class A and 10 unanimous Superior ratings in Class B
- CHS Philharmonic Orchestra had nine students in the honors ensemble, OMEA Southwest Region Orchestra, and one student was named to OMEA All-State Orchestra from more than 100 advanced level musicians in the Cincinnati and Dayton area who auditioned for this honor
- Since 1978, 102 CHS string orchestra musicians have earned a spot in All-State Orchestra, competing against hundreds of musicians for the honor, and more than 20 students have been named to national orchestras
- CHS Orchestra program was recognized as part of the Music for All Advocacy in Action awards, receiving an honorable mention for “Evening of Strings: Miami Valley Orchestra Event”
- CHS Theatre celebrated its 60th season during the 2018-19 school year
- Approximately 150 high school students took one of four theatre classes
- *Over the River and Through the Woods* was a featured, full-length performance at the Ohio Thespians State Conference
- Three individual events received Double-Superior scores, and CHS students were named a Gold Honor Troupe at the Ohio Thespians State Conference
- CHS Theatre students earned more than 50 Miami Valley High School Theatre Awards, including awards of “Outstanding Overall Production” for *Into the Woods*, *12 Angry Jurors* and *Fiddler on the Roof*
- More than 700 high school students took at least one of 10 art courses offered
- One CHS student was named a regional winner in Ohio Governor’s Youth Art Exhibit
- 12 CHS students were named regional winners for Scholastic Art and Writing Awards, with four Silver Key and one Gold Key award winners
- Art 3 students worked with Spanish classes on a collaborative mural project, which is on display at CHS
- Advanced Ceramics Studio class worked with Materials Science students on the Art and Science of Precious Metal Clay experiment to develop copper metal clay
- Centerville Dance Program has presented 56 concerts since 2006, donating thousands of dollars to charities such as the Tutu Project and Dancing Dreams

“[Band] was an incredible experience because we spent so many hours, hundreds of hours, putting this one thing together, and to show it to a group of people and get a positive reaction was something that I’ll remember for a long time.

- Jonathan Gillard,
Class of 2022



Photo by Barry Burtenshaw

It’s really humbling to be a part of something that’s been going on for so long and producing such fantastic shows. It’s amazing to know that others will continue to perform on this stage and may even learn something from me while I’m here.

- Adam Weaver,
Class of 2019

- CHS hosted its first-ever Arts Signing, recognizing 34 seniors who plan to pursue a creative, arts-based area of study after high school
- Each elementary school offers extracurricular fine arts opportunities to help students improve and excel in music, visual arts and writing
- Artwork by kindergarten through eighth grade students is featured in the annual KidsView Art Exhibit in the lobby of the Performing Arts Center

STUDENT LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

A well-rounded education includes a wide variety of opportunities. Students in Centerville City Schools can choose from a multitude of co-curricular and extracurricular activities that fit their unique interests. Highlights include:

- Primary Village North was named a National School of Character by Character.org – one of 88 schools in the United States and the only one in Ohio to be recognized in 2019
- 1,442 participants on 73 high school athletic teams in 28 sports, and 470 participants on 28 middle school athletic teams in 11 sports
- State champion in Girls Bowling, state runner-up in Girls Cross Country, Marissa Wenzler was individual state champion in Girls Golf, with the team placing third overall, and Competition Cheer placed fourth at state competition
- Boys Cross Country, Boys Swimming/Dive, Girls Swimming/Dive and Boys Track and Field qualified for state, with individuals also qualifying in Wrestling
- Both Boys and Girls Basketball teams made it to the Elite 8 (regional final)
- Both Boys and Girls Lacrosse enjoyed record-setting seasons, with the girls winning 14 games and hosting a tournament game and the boys winning 15 games including two home playoff wins and advancing to the Sweet 16
- Elks have won the GWOC All Sports Trophy 43 of the last 44 years
- 45 senior athletes will play at the college level, with 25 earning scholarship money through athletics and 20 earning academic scholarships
- 267 juniors and seniors were recognized as Scholar Athletes for maintaining a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or higher and earning a varsity letter during the 2018-19 school year
- 355 high school juniors and seniors were members of the National Honor Society, logging more than 8,000 hours of community service
- 255 students from all grade levels participated on 40 Destination Imagination teams throughout the district, with two high school, three middle school and two elementary teams competing in the 2019 Global Tournament
- Three CHS teams placed in the top seven in the Area IV Envirothon, with two teams advancing to state and one team taking first place in the state competition and placing 20th against teams from North America and China

“We are definitely excited to be recognized again for our character education program. I am so proud of our teachers, students and families for embracing character education and the positive effect it has on our school community.

- Mindy Cline,
Principal at Primary
Village North



It's [tennis] been one of the best experiences of my high school career. The people have always been very supportive and just a really good group of people, and I learned a lot about tennis and life.

- Madeline Mills,
Class of 2019,
Tennis Player

- After winning the regional Penguin Bowl, the CHS Ocean Sciences team placed fourth in the National Ocean Sciences Bowl, with more than 350 teams competing nationwide
- About 180 students in sixth through 12th grades participated on middle and high school Science Olympiad teams, with all four schools placing in the top 10 of their divisions in the state competition and the Tower Heights Middle School team qualifying for the national tournament
- Watts Middle School student Arjun Kurup won the Dayton Area Spelling Bee and competed in the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C.
- Students have hundreds of diverse activities to participate in throughout their school years, such Alpha Club and Student Council in elementary school, Muse Machine and Junior Optimist Club in middle school, Chess Club and Environmental Club in high school, and hundreds more

STUDENT SERVICES

A variety of services provide options to ensure all students receive individualized instruction, enrichment and support, encompassing a large variety of programs and services for the district, including special education, gifted services, programming for English Language Learners, school health and more. Highlights include:

- More than 26% of our first through 12th grade students are identified as gifted
- Gifted Intervention Specialists are assigned to each of our elementary schools, and there are gifted coaches at the elementary, middle and high school levels
- 13.4% of students, ages 3-22, were identified as having special needs
- About 35% of students with a disability scored proficient or above on Ohio's third grade reading assessment, surpassing the state target. Throughout the district, students with a disability also exceeded the state's goals for math and reading assessments
- More than 100 intervention specialists and over 100 paraprofessionals assist students in preschool through 12th grade, and intervention specialists, and paraprofessionals support transition students after they have graduated but deferred their diplomas
- One physical therapist, three occupational therapists, 12 speech and language therapists and one behavioral specialist provide related services to students in preschool through 12th grade, and Montgomery County ESC and South Community provide additional related service support
- Six school nurses and 10 clinic nurses support the health needs of students in the district
- Three special education coordinators and seven school psychologists support students and staff in all buildings throughout the district
- A parent mentor, who is the parent of a child with a disability employed by the school district, helps families in Centerville and Oakwood by providing support, information and training services



Being in a club expands your repertoire for things past high school, and it also gives you a way to meet new people which is just as important.

- Allison Ball,
Class of 2019



Some of our English learners tend to be shy because of the language barrier. One of my biggest goals is to help our English learners become more open with sharing their ideas and talents.

- Laura Xiong,
Bilingual Tutor at Tower
Heights Middle School

- 250 students are identified as English Language Learners (ELL), and their families speak 30 different languages
- The district employs five EL Specialists, along with EL tutors, to support English Learners in each building
- Based on Ohio's annual assessment of English language proficiency, 72% of English Learners met their growth target (surpassing the state's goal of 54%), and 34 students exited support services
- \$30,000 donation from Heren Foundation helped launch Connect Centerville program to link Centerville families with families that have recently arrived in the United States
- Connect Centerville hosted "We are Centerville" event in November as well as two host family events during the year
- Preschool services are offered to students, ages 3-5, who have been identified as having special needs, and they are placed in classrooms with their typical peers
- In 2018-19, we had 20 preschool classrooms serving 279 children
- Centerville Preschool, with programs at both Primary Village North and Primary Village South, maintained its 5-star rating in Ohio's "Step Up to Quality" accreditation process

STAFF LEADERSHIP

We take pride in our staff's commitment to providing quality educational opportunities and taking care of our students' diverse needs. Highlights include:

- We have 579 certificated teachers, plus approximately 450 support staff
- 75% of our teachers hold master's degrees and 8 are National Board Certified Teachers
- 582 certificated and 80 classified staff members participated in professional development opportunities during Summer and Winter Institutes, with 54% also participating in independent learning proposals
- Centerville Education Foundation awarded more than \$14,000 in grants for classroom projects to 31 individuals and groups of teachers

PARENT & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Educational experiences are enhanced by partnerships between our school district and community. Highlights include:

- 402 parents and community members served as Academic Volunteers, logging 10,841 service hours
- 139 families with 332 children from our community received food baskets and gifts during our annual Adopt-a-Family program

“What really excites me about teaching is getting to work with kids on building their creative confidence and teaching them different ways that they might change the world.

- Matt Szozda,
Art Teacher at Cline
Elementary and
Centerville's 2019
Teacher of the Year



“I know it sounds cheesy, but I truly believe the best part about my position in the Centerville School system is the people I get to work with every day. My students are amazing young men and women, and I feel truly blessed to have the privilege of getting to see their transition from high school into the real world.

- Ellie Ellis,
Math Teacher at
Centerville High School

- Each of our schools has an active PTO, which assists in a variety of ways, including hosting fundraisers to support our students' needs
- CHS Spirit Chain raised more than \$50,000 for Angels for Anna and United Rehabilitation Services, with Centerville and Kettering Fairmont students raising more than \$2 million for charity during this friendly competition over the past 34 years
- Centerville Education Foundation continued to support classrooms, awarding more than \$14,000 in teacher grants and recognizing 18 educators, alumni and students during their annual banquet
- Area organizations, such as Centerville-Washington History, Centerville-Washington Park District and Washington Centerville Public Library, partner with our schools to provide hands-on and immersive learning experiences for students

DIGITAL LEARNING

Technology is essential to enhance teaching and learning and to give students a competitive edge in a global market. The use of technology can enrich classroom experiences and prepare our students for life after high school. Highlights include:

- Student access to Chromebook laptop devices continues to improve with more than 5,500 devices in circulation, and classrooms use these devices for daily instruction as well as intervention, enrichment and assessment
- Classroom are being updated with new mounted large screen displays, which along with presentation carts and wireless displays, provide a window into a wealth of resources for teaching and learning
- Elementary teacher laptops were recently upgraded, and these touchscreen laptops are an important element in flexible and interactive classrooms
- School buildings have improved bandwidth for internal connections as well as connections to the Internet, which is an important part of the infrastructure our classrooms rely on
- Upgraded network, server and workstation systems support a secure environment
- Our Internet filtering service was upgraded to prevent inappropriate content in the classroom
- Home Access Center gives parents of middle and high schoolers instant access to monitor their student's progress

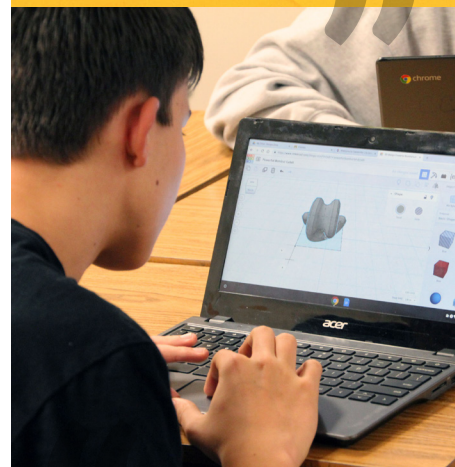
FISCAL STEWARDSHIP

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

- Treasurer's Office received Auditor of State Award with Distinction for excellent record keeping for Fiscal Year 2018 and Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in

To me, working for Centerville City Schools means being a part of something special. It creates a sense of pride to work in a place that is so distinguished, in so many areas. Working here means that you have accepted the challenge to push yourself professionally, to strive for new learning and to always be willing to try something new.

- Joel Huelsman,
Health Teacher at Tower
Heights Middle School



We are helping to create future-ready kids and get them excited about technology, innovation, tinkering and the jobs of future.

- Christie Sanderman,
District Secondary
School Librarian

Financial Reporting in Fiscal Year 2018 from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA)

- Average annual cost to educate each student is \$13,144, with more than 70% of each dollar spent on instruction and pupil support
- Self-insuring our health insurance program has saved the district \$6.7 million – nearly \$1 million dollars per year since 2012
- Changing dental insurance carriers has decreased our premium costs, saving more than \$183,000 over the past two years
- Third lowest school district tax rate in Montgomery County
- Fiscal Year 2018 audit by State of Ohio was unmodified, or “clean,” audit and Annual Financial Report is available online: www.centerville.k12.oh.us/about-us/treasurer
- All of our school buildings have an Energy Star rating from the EPA
- Cost-saving contracts for energy, buses, equipment and supplies are leveraged through a purchasing co-op with other districts

SAFETY & SECURITY

Centerville Schools strives to provide a safe and effective learning environment for our students and staff. Highlights include:

- All buildings are locked and have video surveillance, and visitors must request access from the school office
- Safety drills are practiced in each school, and staff and students are trained to use ALICE to proactively handle threats
- Multi-Agency Radio Communication System (MARCS) used in all school buildings
- Partnership with the City of Centerville Police Department and the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office to provide school resource officers, who patrol our buildings and provide safety lessons to students, plus CHS employs four security personnel
- 24-hour Student Safety Reporting anonymous tip line where students, parents and community members can share information of concern
- Contract with Social Sentinel to scan social media sites for key words that may lead to cause and concern for school safety
- Upgraded radio system allows staff from all schools to communicate with district leadership, other buildings, school resource officers, Centerville Police Department and Montgomery County Sheriff's Office
- Partnership between Centerville City Schools, City of Centerville, Washington Township, Centerville-Washington Park District and Washington-Centerville Public Library distributed free gun locks to community members to help keep firearms secure

I love the way the community supports our district, and that partnership is what makes Centerville City Schools a great place to learn!

- Katie Thornton,
First Grade Teacher at
Primary Village South



This was truly one of the most rewarding segments of my career in law enforcement. From day one, the faculty, staff and students at Centerville City Schools welcomed and accepted me as part of their team. It was an honor to be viewed as not only a police officer but also as an educator.

- Officer Jim Stephenson,
School Resource Officer
from Centerville Police
Department



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John Hole Elementary	(937) 434-0725
Normandy Elementary	(937) 434-0917
Stingley Elementary	(937) 434-1054
Weller Elementary	(937) 885-3273
Magsig Middle School	(937) 433-0965
Tower Heights Middle School	(937) 434-0383
Watts Middle School	(937) 434-0370
Centerville High School	(937) 439-3500
School of Possibilities	(937) 438-6092

