



# NORTHRIDGE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## QUALITY PROFILE

### 2023-2024

### From the Superintendent

Welcome to our 2023-2024 Quality Profile!

I am excited to share the incredible progress and achievements of our district with you. Earning a 4.5-star rating from the Ohio Report Card—up from 4 stars last year—highlights our commitment to academic excellence. At the same time, we are equally focused on nurturing well-rounded students by providing diverse opportunities in the arts and athletics.

This profile showcases how we're making a positive impact in all areas of our students' growth and development, thanks to the dedication and hard work of our talented faculty, and staff, as well as the support of our incredible Viking community.

Thank you for being part of our journey and for your continued support of our schools.



*Dr. Kristine Michael*

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Superintendent / CEO



**4.5 Star Rating**  
from the Ohio State Report Card

**1163 Students**

**3 School Buildings**

**160 Staff & Teachers**

**97% Graduation Rate**

**16:1 Student-to-Teacher Ratio**

**60%** of students participate in college coursework with a **97%** pass rate

**VIKING VOYAGE**  
Listening, Learning, Leading

**September-February**  
Develop Strategic Plan

**November**  
Quality Profile

**November**  
Community Survey

**November-April**  
Superintendent Coffees

**February**  
State of Schools

**Strategic Plan**  
We have formed a Strategic Planning Steering Committee to create a roadmap for future success. This plan will guide curriculum development, financial decisions, and our commitment to fostering innovation, delivering quality education, and nurturing well-rounded students.

**Quality Profile**  
The Quality Profile will offer a detailed overview of the educational quality at Northridge Schools.

**Community Survey**  
We will collect input on school issues to ensure we meet community needs, and to inform the direction of the strategic plan.

**Coffee with the Superintendent**  
Join Superintendent Dr. Kristine Michael and district administrators for interactive coffee chats.  
**Time:** 9:00-10:00 am  
**Dates:**  
• November 21  
• January 23  
• April 2

**State of Schools**  
Dr. Michael will present a State of Schools address to the Board and community, highlighting strengths, opportunities, and future priorities for Northridge Local Schools.



# NORTHRIDGE VIKINGS LEAD

**30** High School Clubs

**15** High School Sports

## Carter Mallernee Sets All-Time Scoring Record

Last winter, Carter Mallernee made Northridge history by surpassing 1,000 career points and becoming the all-time leading scorer with 1,017 points.



## Track & Field Team Breaks Records and Shines at State

The Track & Field team had an incredible season, highlighted by Isabel Evans winning State in the 100m hurdles and placing second in the 300m hurdles. Ava Travis finished 12th in the State in the 400m dash, and the 4x800 relay team set a new school record.



## Middle and High School Music Program Success

Led by alum Mr. Alex Healey, the grades 6-12 music program has soared from 50 to 150 students and now features middle school, concert, jazz, and marching bands.

Last spring, the high school concert band made history, earning a Superior rating at the OMEA contest.



# FINANCES

**Britt Lewis, Treasurer/CFO**

The role of the Treasurer/CFO is to manage receipts and investments, strictly adhere to legal and school board policies, and ensure responsible stewardship of taxpayer dollars. We closed 2023-2024 school year with a General Fund balance of \$7,864,318 and expect the balance to be \$8,122,767 at the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

In fiscal year 2024, local taxes and collections formed about 59.5% of our General Fund revenue, with state subsidies making up the rest.

This insight is vital for crafting a budget that meets our students' educational needs, maintains our facilities and grounds, and responsibly uses public funds.

## INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE THROUGH CAPITAL PROJECTS

### Middle School Plumbing

The district completed a major plumbing project at the middle school, requiring the school to close over the summer. The \$500,000 project included updated plumbing, new fixtures, and partitions in all boys' and girls' bathrooms and locker rooms—an essential upgrade to extend the life of the building.

### New Athletic Complex Opens at Northridge

In August 2024, Northridge Local Schools proudly opened its new state-of-the-art athletic complex, completed on time and on budget. The facility, featuring an 8-lane track and new field, will serve our sports teams, band, and students all year long and is a space for the entire community to enjoy. The \$8 million project, funded through creative financing and generous community support, reflects our commitment to fiscal responsibility and minimizing taxpayer impact. Thank you to our sponsors, the Boosters, and everyone who made this project a reality.





# VIKING COMMUNITY

At Northridge, we're proud to be part of the Viking community, reflected in our commitment to each other and the unwavering support we receive in return.



## Northridge Local Schools Partners with Neighborhood Bridges

We're proud to partner with Neighborhood Bridges, a volunteer-driven organization that connects community members to support students in need. Through this partnership, families can request assistance for things like after-school activities, childcare, food, gas, or utility bills, and Neighborhood Bridges matches those needs with generous donors. It's an incredible way to bring hope and opportunity to our students.

Want to Get  
Involved?



## Community Connections: Career Exploration

Northridge Vikings engaged with construction industry professionals, exploring career pathways and apprenticeship opportunities. Thanks to Vaughn Industries and Robertson Construction for their participation, reinforcing our commitment to community engagement and helping students explore future career opportunities.



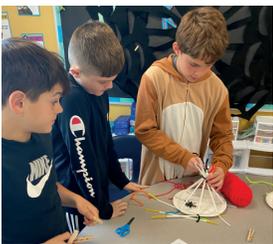
## NHS FFA Students Serve Local Farmers at Trillium Farms

Northridge High School FFA students had the opportunity to serve meals to local farmers at Trillium Farms in Johnstown, Ohio. This event was made possible through a generous sponsorship from the Licking County Farm Bureau, highlighting the strength of our community partnerships. We are proud of our students' dedication and their role in the future of farming.



## Introducing Our New K-5 STEAM Special!

NES has a dedicated STEAM teacher bringing design thinking and critical problem-solving to life. Thanks to a Project Lead the Way grant, Mrs. Webb is participating in specialized training. Students now rotate through STEAM as part of their specials rotation, engaging in hands-on learning and innovative projects that inspire creativity and exploration.





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## Board of Education Statement from Board Chair President Jayma Bammerlin

"On behalf of the Board, we're incredibly proud of the work happening across Northridge Schools. We're proud to be Vikings and proud of our students, staff, and administration. Northridge is not just a great place to be a kid—it's a great place to be part of a strong, supportive community."



*Proud to be  
 a Viking!*