# Reynoldsburg City Schools

# Quality Profile

## 2025-2026



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# Superintendent's Message

Dear Reynoldsburg City Schools Families, Staff, Students, and Community Partners,

We are excited to share two important snapshots of how Reynoldsburg City Schools is serving our students: Our 2025–2026 Ohio School Report Card results and the 2025-2026 Quality Profile.

We are proud to announce that Reynoldsburg City Schools earned a 3.5-star overall rating on the Ohio School Report Card. This is an increase from last year and reflects the progress our students and staff are making. In particular, our continued focus on math, reading, and career and workforce readiness is working. We know there is always more to do, but this progress is worth celebrating.

At the same time, we know our students are much more than test scores. That is why we are sharing our Quality Profile alongside our State Report Card. Together, these resources provide a more complete picture of how our District is doing, not just academically, but in all the ways we serve and support students.

Our Strategic Plan continues to guide this work. We regularly review and update the goals we have set for ourselves, using data and feedback to make adjustments and keep moving forward. We are seeing progress across our five focus areas, and we are committed to building on that progress as we work toward our vision for every Reynoldsburg student.

The Quality Profile highlights the many opportunities, experiences, and supports that make Reynoldsburg City Schools a place where students know Anything is Possible. It tells the broader story of our District, from student achievement and enrichment opportunities to the relationships, programs, and supports that help our students succeed.

Thank you for your continued partnership and for being an important part of the Reynoldsburg City Schools community. Together, we are showing what is possible when we stay focused on our students and continue moving forward. Thank you for being #REYNProud.

Dr. Tracy Reed
Superintendent
Reynoldsburg City Schools



# EXPLORE. CHALLENGE. SUCCEED.

## VISION:

Empowering minds through critical thinking;
Inspiring success through academic achievement.

## MISSION:

We create engaging and inclusive learning experiences that nurture critical thinking, inspire curiosity, and support every student in reaching their highest academic potential.

## CORE VALUES:

### BELONGING

We believe in fostering a respectful, collaborative environment where everyone feels safe, welcome, and valued.

### ACCOUNTABILITY

We hold each other accountable for actions and behavior through clear communication.

### ADAPTABILITY

We embrace a growth mindset, allowing us to respond to challenges, adapt, and succeed in diverse environments.

# State Report Card

**3.5**
Overall Star Rating

**4**
Components at 2-3 Stars

**2**
4-Star Components

The 2026 State Report Card shows our overall star rating increased from 3 to 3.5 stars! The District also increased its progress rating to four stars.

While we celebrate these successes, we also use this data to look for areas of improvement. With four components scoring 2-3 stars, we have clear pathways to advance our students' success.

**District Facts 2025-2026:**

- **No. of Students:** 6,710
- **Economically Disadvantaged:** 73.3%
- **Students with Disabilities:** 18.3%
- **Attendance Rate:** 90.1%

**Student Demographics 2025-2026:**

- **Asian or Pacific Islander:** 18.7%
- **Black, Non-Hispanic:** 40.7%
- **Hispanic:** 11.4%
- **Multiracial:** 9.8%
- **White, Non-Hispanic:** 19.4%



# Report Card School Highlights

## Elementary:

**French Run Elementary School:**
Maintained 2 stars in both Early Literacy & Achievement



**Herbert Mills STEAM Elementary School:**
Maintained 2 stars in both Early Literacy & Achievement



**Rose Hill Elementary School:**
Increased to 3.5-star Overall Rating



**Slate Ridge Elementary School:**
Maintained all individual component ratings from the previous year

**Summit Road STEM Elementary School:**
Maintained 3.5-star Overall Rating



**Taylor Road Elementary:**
Increased to 2 stars in Progress



**Waggoner Road Elementary School:**
Increased to 3 stars in Early Literacy



## Middle / Junior High:

**STEM Middle @ Baldwin Road:**
Maintained all individual component ratings from the previous year

**Waggoner Road Junior High:**
Increased to 4 stars in Gap Closing



## Reynoldsburg High School:

Maintained Overall Rating of 3.5 stars



Increased to 3 stars in Achievement





# Portrait of a Graduate

## A Reynoldsburg Graduate is:

### An Innovative Problem Solver
Able to use a deliberate process to creatively develop multiple solutions to authentic problems.

### Socially & Emotionally Competent
Able to identify and regulate one's own emotions in order to solve problems, communicate and build positive relationships.

### Culturally Aware & A Global Citizen
Culturally empathetic, compassionate, able to live, learn, work, collaborate and positively impact the local community and the world.

### An Effective Communicator
Able to responsibly and effectively give and receive information across mediums while considering the needs of different audiences.

### A Collaborator
Able to accept personal accountability within a group dynamic and synthesize multiple perspectives to determine the best approach to complete a task.



# Portrait of an Educator

## A Reynoldsburg Educator is:

### A Reflective & Life-Long Learner
Able to reflect on experiences, consider multiple perspectives, and continuously seek opportunities to grow and improve.

### A Community & Profession Contributor
Able to demonstrate integrity, empathy, and accountability while building connections that strengthen the school community and education profession.

### Culturally Literate
Able to recognize and value diverse perspectives, examine personal bias, and build respectful connections among students, families, schools and communities.

### Focused on Classroom Culture & Collaboration
Able to create inclusive, respectful learning environments by communicating effectively, seeking feedback, leveraging strengths, and working toward shared outcomes.

### Flexible & A Relationship Builder
Able to adapt learning experiences to meet student needs and interests while creating

# Financial Updates

The District faces the challenge of flat funding for fiscal years 2027 - 2031 for two reasons:

1. Inadequate State funding of public education
2. Over reliance on property taxes for local support

While the Fair School Funding Formula is fully implemented, it uses fiscal 2025 community wealth data and 2022 cost data to fund districts across the State. As property values rise, the funding formula adjusts to reflect that the community can pay a larger share of the funding. Unfortunately, this is paired with cost metrics that are outdated and fail to keep up with rising costs of goods and services. Over reliance on property taxes for funding had spurred Property Tax Reforms. These reforms not only limit the types of property taxes a school may propose for funding, but it also caps inside millage revenue growth to GDP-D rates. The following graphic demonstrates the impact of flat revenue growth for the district as compared to inflationary growth in district expenditures.

**Outside Resources Provide Statistics of Inadequate State Funding:**

- Since 2011, state K-12 funding has grown 23%. But school costs, driven by inflation, compensation, and benefits, have grown 44% on average. When funding falls behind costs at this pace, local property taxes are often a district's only option to fill the gap. ***Source: Ohio LSC data via Signal Cleveland, 2025.***
- In 1975, Ohio homeowners covered 46% of school property taxes, and businesses covered the rest. Today, homeowners carry 67.5%, while the business share has been cut by more than a third. That shift happened at the state level, not in [District Name]. ***Source: Fleeter & Browning, Ohio Education Policy Institute, Sept. 2025.***
- Ohio used to cover 46% of the cost of running schools. Today, the state covers just 32%, leaving local taxpayers to make up more of the difference every year. ***Source: Fleeter & Browning, Ohio Education Policy Institute, Sept. 2025.***



# HOW WE COMMUNICATE

We're always working hard to keep our families and community informed. From the classroom level to the Central Office, you might hear from the District in a variety of ways.

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| **DAILY** | General Communications, Facebook, Instagram, Web Updates & the Superintendent Email |
| **WEEKLY** | Raider Roundup |
| **MONTHLY** | School Newsletters & Board of Education Meetings |
| **QUARTERLY** | District Newsletter, Superintendent Student & Parent Advisory Committees & Get What You Need from Dr. Reed: LIVE! |
| **BI-ANNUALLY** | 5-Year Forecast |
| **YEARLY** | Quality Profile, State of the Schools & Convocation |
| **3-7 YEARS** | Strategic Planning |

# ACCOLADES

## We're #REYNProud because:



- **The Bundle Up Bus** distributed over 1,000 backpacks and 700 pairs of shoes at elementary Back to School nights.
- The **Communications Department** updated reyn.org for the first time since 2018, making the website mobile-friendly and translatable.
- Inducted seven alumni athletes into the **Reynoldsburg Hall of Fame**
- **Director of Safety & Security Jim Ramsey** earned the Exemplary School Employee Award from OSBA.
- **French Run Elementary School** and **Summit Road STEM Elementary School** were honored with the Purple Star MIC3 Challenge Coin for their support and service to our military families.
- Ohio Governor Mike DeWine, Ohio Department of Health Director Dr. Bruce Vanderhoff, Ohio Department of Education and Workforce Steve Dackin, representatives from Nationwide Children's Hospital, Ohio State Representative, District 5, Meredith Lawson-Rowe and Ohio Senator Michele Reynolds toured the vision clinic at the **Reynoldsburg High School Livingston Campus** school-based health clinic and introduced OhioSEE, a new children's vision clinic program.
- Three students were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society at **Eastland-Fairfield Career & Technical Center.**
- Hosted 21 Guest Principals for **Principal for a Day**, including Congresswoman Joyce Beatty
- Ohio Lieutenant Governor Jim Tressel, the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce and COSI hosted a STEM Workforce Roadshow at **STEM Middle at Baldwin Road**, where students connected with industry representatives.
- Eight students from **STEM Middle at Baldwin Road** and **Waggoner Road Junior High** were selected out of more than 200 students across central Ohio to participate in the District 15 OMEA Middle School Honor Band.
- Ohio's Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Recognition Program awarded **Slate Ridge Elementary** with the Silver Award. **French Run Elementary**, **Rose Hill Elementary**, **Taylor Road Elementary**, **Waggoner Road Elementary**, **Waggoner Road Junior High** and **Reynoldsburg High Schools' Summit Campus** earned Bronze.
- For the 3rd year in a row, the **Reynoldsburg High School Model UN** earned one of the highest recognitions at the Ohio Model United Nations. Selected from 160 groups, our North Korea delegation earned "Outstanding Nation" and "Outstanding Culture" honors.
- 597 **Reynoldsburg High School** students earned Academic Letters for their achievements.
- In partnership with the YMCA, **Reynoldsburg High School** and **EFCTC** student Logan worked at **Slate Ridge Elementary School**'s before-and-after school program to fulfill his dreams of becoming a teacher for the District.
- 57 **Reynoldsburg High School** seniors were recognized by Governor Mike DeWine for the Governor's Merit Scholarship for ranking in the top 10% of the state. Twenty-nine of these students earned a $5,000 yearly scholarship to any public Ohio college or university.
- **Reynoldsburg High School** senior Rupak secured a regional win at the statewide TECH Corps Hackathon, with his project focused on fostering global communications and inclusion.
- **Reynoldsburg High School DECA** students presented at the Central Ohio DECA District 8 competition. Six students advanced to the State Competition. This marked the first time in more than 10 years where Reynoldsburg High School students competed in DECA. Our students competed with 2,000 students from across Ohio, placing in the top 12.
- **Reynoldsburg High School** student Z'Hyanna secured the chance to compete at the prestigious DECA International Career Development Conference in Atlanta. Seniors Riley and Lyric participated in the DECA Emerging Leader series.
- The **Reynoldsburg Education Foundation** donated $45,000 to teachers and students in grants and scholarships.
- **Reynoldsburg High School** students Mohit and Imani were recognized as Outstanding Attorney and Outstanding Witness at the Ohio High School Mock Trial Competition.
- Three **Reynoldsburg High School** seniors were awarded scholarships during the MLK Jr. Scholarship Breakfast. Kamryn, Miamouna and Dionna submitted literary works judged by a panel of Reynoldsburg Education Foundation and community members.

# ACCOLADES, CONT.



- **All RCS 5th grade students** visited Junior Achievement of Central Ohio's BizTown. Students from all seven elementary schools learned about opening a bank account, managing a restaurant and being an advocate for their community.
- **RCS' Apex eSports Team** won the State Championship. **Overwatch and Valorant teams** made it to regionals.
- **French Run Elementary School** students competed against 1,500 classes across the country in the SplashLearn Math League, where they ended up 5th in the state and 50th in the Nation.
- The **Reynoldsburg High School Varsity Winter Guard** took 1st place in the WGI Regional Finals and were 1st in their class at the Tri-State Lafayette Competition.
- Ohio's First Lady, Fran DeWine, visited **Rose Hill Elementary School** and read The Very Hungry Caterpillar to kindergarten students. In partnership with Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, each student received their very own copy.
- The District rolled out **Stopfinder**, an easy-to-use, all-in-one app that allows parents to track their student's bus and get up-to-date arrivals in real time.
- The **Reynoldsburg High School' Robotics Team, Technical Difficulties,** competed in the Buckeye Regionals and made it to the playoffs. They also won the Engineering Inspiration Award for demonstrating outstanding success in advancing respect and appreciation for engineering within a team's school or organization and their community.
- During State of the Schools, Ashley Calloway ('07) an SLP from **Slate Ridge Elementary School** and Aleyna Dragonette ('17), a teacher at **Herbert Mills STEAM Elementary School**, were recognized with the #REYNProud Legacy Alumni Award. The award recognizes RCS alumni who perpetuate the District's mission and vision, foster pride within the community and serve as a role model for students.
- **Reynoldsburg High School's Livingston Campus** opened the area's only fully student-run Education First Credit Union, providing hands-on learning and real-world financial experience.
- **Waggoner Road Elementary School**'s Kristina Calkins received a $5,000 Fund for Teachers grant to study biodiversity and conservation in Costa Rica. She'll bring her learnings back to the classroom for our students.
- **The Reynoldsburg High School Leo Club** hosted its annual Raiderthon fundraiser and raised a record-breaking $28,267.77 for pediatric cancer research.
- Four **Reynoldsburg High School** students earned Global Scholar Diplomas. Mayla won the Global Changemaker award. **Summit Campus** teacher, Steven Ridgway, was named Global Educator of the Year.
- **Rose Hill Elementary School** Principal Damicka Bates and 5th grade student Isley were honored at the OASBE Conference for leadership, service and outstanding achievements.
- **The District celebrated 17 staff members** who retired at the end of the 2025-2026 school year. In total, our retirees served the District for a combined total of 483 years.
- **Reynoldsburg High School** senior Amaya was the winner of Best Actress in a Leading Role as the Leading Player in Pippin at the CAPA Marquee Awards.
- Through our partnership with College Credit Plus, **Reynoldsburg High School Summit Campus** teacher Ms. Amy Fihe met with the COTC Digital Media Design Advisory Board to highlight the success of two **Reynoldsburg High School** graduates earning college credits in Graphic Design and Web Development.
- **Rose Hill Elementary School**'s EL teacher, Isabel Gonzalez, received a $5,000 grant for self-designed professional development where she will complete a 12-day immersion in Nepal to directly inform her EL instruction for her students.
- **French Run Elementary School**'s Taya Kidd was nominated for Ohio's Teacher of the Year. She was later recognized as District 6's Teacher of the Year.
- With support from **United Way and KPMG, Waggoner Road Elementary School** received 1,100 books for their library.
- **Reynoldsburg High School** senior Katherine earned a $10,000 scholarship from our partners at Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio's Scholarship Program. SWACO recognized two Central Ohio students who will pursue degrees that will help aid sustainability and solid waste management.

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