WOOSTER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT



QUALITY PROFILE 2026-2027











MISSION STATEMENT

Inspiring world-class academic achievement

Welcome to the Wooster City School District

As the largest school system in the Tri-County area, serving approximately 3,200 students, our district is committed to ensuring that every student has the opportunity to succeed. Located in the heart of Wayne County, Wooster City Schools is an innovative district that includes one preschool, four K–4 elementary schools, a middle school for grades 5–7, and a nationally recognized high school for grades 8–12.

The Wooster City School District begins preparing students for college and career readiness as early as elementary school. The district also offers gifted and advanced courses and provides best-in-class artistic and athletic programs to develop well-rounded individuals.

Wooster High School offers a wide range of academic opportunities, including College Board Advanced Placement courses, the General's Academy blended learning program, and the STEM-focused Project Lead The Way curriculum. Across the district, our technologically rich learning environments are guided by the Ohio Improvement Process (OIP), a school improvement model that has earned regional recognition and national publication.

We are proud to provide programs and experiences that prepare our students for success in school, career, and life.

Go Woo!

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Superintendent







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2026 Ohio School Report Card

OVERALL DISTRICT RATING:

★★★★½

Exceeds State Standards

Wooster City Schools has earned a 4.5-star overall rating on the 2026 Ohio School Report Card, improving from the district's 4-star rating last year and marking the highest overall rating in the district's history.

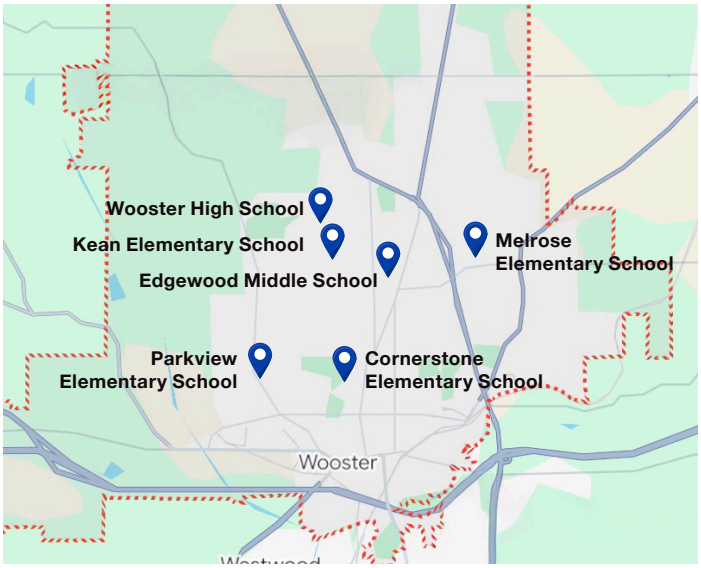
The district saw growth across three key components of the report card. Achievement increased from 3 to 4 stars, and Graduation improved from 4 to 5 stars. College, Career, Workforce, and Military Readiness also increased from 3 to 4 stars.

The results reflect the continued efforts of Wooster City Schools staff, students, families and community partners to support student learning and prepare students for success beyond graduation.

Full district and school building report cards are available on the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce website at reportcard.education.ohio.gov.

Community Profile

The Wooster City School District serves a mid-size community of approximately 27,000 people. Wooster is located in the heart of Wayne County, just off U.S. 30 and state routes 3, 83 and 585. The City of Wooster is surrounded by some of the finest agricultural land in the state and is home to The College of Wooster, the Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, and The Ohio State University Agricultural Technical Institute.



Whole Child Focus

The Wooster City School District empowers the whole person, creating a culture that embraces diversity and promotes the development of social, emotional, and physical well-being of students and staff members.

Once A General, Always A General

Learn more about our schools.

At its July 2026 meeting, the Wooster City Schools Board of Education approved the district's 2026-2030 Strategic Plan, a four-year roadmap that sets the district's goals and priorities and reflects input from students, staff, families and community members. The plan will guide district decision-making, priorities and resource allocation through 2030, beginning with the 2026-2027 school year.

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The approval concluded a six-month strategic planning and community engagement process centered around in-depth listening. Feedback from this engagement was analyzed to identify common themes and priorities, which were used to shape the plan's goals and objectives. The district leadership team and Board of Education then refined the framework into six goals, each with supporting objectives to guide annual action planning and implementation.

The district will monitor progress on the goals and provide regular updates to the Board of Education and community throughout the life of the plan. The full 2026-2030 Strategic Plan, along with the community engagement summary and survey results, is available at woostercityschools.org/district-info/strategic-plan.



GOAL 1

Empower Every Student Through Engaging and Relevant Academic Experiences

Elevate instructional excellence to ensure all students are consistently challenged by high-level curriculum and supported by personalized pathways to future readiness.



GOAL 2

Cultivate Safe, Inclusive, and Supportive School Environments

Promote school environments where students and staff feel safe, respected, and connected.



GOAL 3

Invest in Staff Growth, Well-being, and Empowerment

Support staff through meaningful professional development and strong workplace environment conditions by working towards a cohesive district culture.



GOAL 4

Foster Trust Through Transparent and Consistent Communication

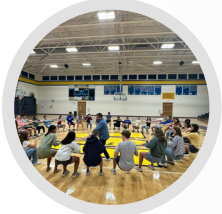
Strengthen understanding and trust through clear, consistent, and accessible communication.



GOAL 5

Forge Strong Family and Community Partnerships to Enrich Student Opportunities

Build meaningful relationships with families and community partners to expand student experiences.



GOAL 6

Support Safe, Healthy, and Fiscally Responsible Learning Environments

Improve school facilities to support safe, healthy, and future-ready learning environments.

Number of Employees

AS OF 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

268 Certified Teachers/ Professionals

248 Classified Staff

27 Administrators

543 Total Employees

94.2%
Attendance Rate

98.2%
4-Year Graduation Rate

Student-Teacher Ratio

Grades K-1 - **18:1**

Grades 2-4 - **20:1**

Grades 5-7 - **20:1**

Grades 8-12 - **20:1**

Performance Data

2025-2026 ACT Wooster High School Mean Scores

Composite: **20.8**

Math: **20.8**

Science: **21.6**

STEM: **21.3**

English: **19.7**

Reading: **21.8**

Writing: **7.2**

ELA: **21.1**

2025-2026 PSAT

11th Graders
Mean Score: **1,148**

10th Graders
Mean Score: **1,184**

Student Population Profile

AS OF 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

Student Enrollment

Preschool: **135**

Elementary School K-4: **1,078**

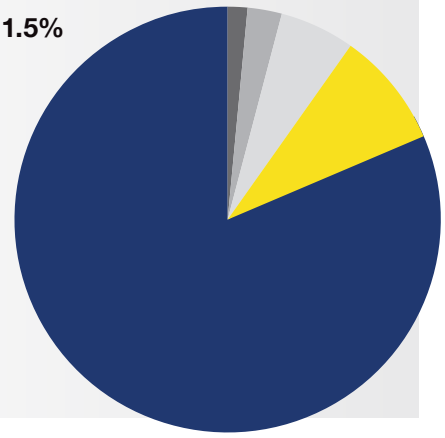
Middle School 5-7: **734**

High School 8-12: **1,239**

Total Enrollment: **3,186**

Students By Ethnicity

- American Indian: **NC**
- Asian or Pacific Islander: **1.5%**
- Black: **2.6%**
- Hispanic: **5.7%**
- Multiracial: **8.8%**
- White: **81.3%**



2026-2027 Budget

General Fund: **$63,678,039**

Other Fund: **$20,199,888**

Total: **$83,877,927**

Cost Per Student: $13,708 (FY25)

Ohio Average: $13,078 (FY25)

CLASS OF 2026 PROFILE



274
Graduates

79
Academic Honors Cords

41
National Honor Society Members

$2,901,096
in scholarships
awarded to students, as reported by students

59% with the intent to attend a 4-year university or college

18% with the intent to enter the workforce

4% with the intent to pursue a 2-year college and/or tech training

2% with the commitment to military service

22 AP Scholar Diplomas

5 AP Scholar with Honors Diplomas

11 AP Scholar with Distinction Diplomas

Advanced Placement (AP)

Advanced Placement (AP) courses bring the college experience to high school students, with the opportunity for them to earn college and university credit. AP classes are rigorous and designed to prepare students for college-level coursework. The Wooster City School District offers the following AP courses:

- Biology
- Calculus AB
- Calculus BC
- Chemistry
- Computer Science A
- English Lang. & Comp.
- English Lit. & Comp.
- Environmental Science
- European History
- Psychology
- Research Seminar
- U.S. Government & Politics
- U.S. History

More information on AP course offerings may be found in the WHS Course Selection Guide.

College Credit Plus (CCP)

Students may enroll at any state university or participating private college and participate in College Credit Plus. Students must declare their intent and be enrolled in the college they want to attend. Some students remain at Wooster High School and receive both high school and college credit. College Credit Plus course offerings may vary each school year. More information on CCP can be found in the WHS Course Selection Guide. Wooster High School offers the following on-campus CCP courses:

- Graphic Design
- English Composition I
- English Composition II
- Pre Calculus
- Java Programming
- French I
- French II
- History after the Civil War
- History through the Civil War
- Elementary Statistics
- Physics I
- Physics II

Career Technical Education (CTE)

Wooster High School offers Career Technical Education programs in Health Technologies and Manufacturing and Welding Technologies, providing students with hands-on, career-focused learning experiences in state-of-the-art facilities. Funded by a $2 million grant from the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce, modern learning spaces on site at Wooster High School feature advanced tools and technology that support hands-on, career-focused instruction. Students are actively engaged in coursework, earning valuable credentials and gaining real-world experience that prepares them for success in high-demand industries.

The Health Technologies program offers certifications such as CPR, First Aid, Phlebotomy, EKG, and STNA, preparing students for immediate employment or continued study in healthcare. The Manufacturing and Welding Technologies program provides training toward AWS Welding, Forklift, and OSHA-10 certifications, as well as paid work-based learning opportunities. Both programs include two levels, typically completed during the junior and senior years, and reflect the district's commitment to innovative, career-ready pathways that blend technical skill development with STEAM-focused learning.

Littlest Generals Preschool

Our Gold Rated Step Up to Quality Littlest Generals Preschool Program is taught by certified teachers using Ohio's Early Learning and Development standards to provide engaging, hands-on and developmentally appropriate curriculum. Emphasis is placed on meeting the individual needs of students, as well as social and academic growth needed to prepare for Kindergarten. We have both AM and PM classes for ages 3 and 4. Classes take place Monday through Thursday. There is a sliding scale fee for eligible families. For additional information about Littlest Generals Preschool, please contact 330-988-1111 ext. 1241 or visit lgps.woostercityschools.org.







Wooster High School offers the following opportunities for students interested in music and art:

- Marching Band
- Concert Band
- Jazz Band
- Choir
- Majorettes
- Symphonic Band
- Freshman Band
- Flag Corps
- Art Club
- Pep Band
- Concert Strings
- Chamber Strings
- Music Theory
- Music Technology
- Introduction to Guitar

The following co-curricular activities are available to all students at Wooster High School. Students are encouraged to participate in activities to create a balance in their educational program.

Athletics

Baseball, Basketball (Boys & Girls), Bowling (Boys and Girls), Cheerleading, Cross Country (Boys & Girls), Football, Golf (Boys & Girls), Gymnastics, Lacrosse (Boys & Girls), Softball, Soccer (Boys & Girls), Swimming (Boys & Girls), Tennis (Boys & Girls), Track (Boys & Girls), Volleyball, Wheelchair Basketball, Wrestling (Boys & Girls)

Activities

Academic Challenge, Art Club, Class Officers, Creative Writing Club, Drama Club, Green Club, History Club, National Honor Society, Science Club, Ski Club, Speech and Debate, Student Council, ESports Club, STAND, The Wooster Blade (Newspaper), The Imperator (Yearbook), Robotics

Non-District Sponsored Activities

(BOE Policy 5730)

Key Club, Fellowship of Christian Students, Boys & Girls Club, Interact, Upward Bound, Young Life, Wooster Teen Institute, NAACP, Best Buddies, International Club



The Wooster City School District provides extensive programming and services for all students along a continuum of settings.

Teacher-based teams co-plan to co-serve through proactive instructional practices for each student. Curriculum and instruction are rigorous, culturally responsive, and universally designed. Research-based methodologies are implemented to enhance the instruction of all staff working with students presenting with academic, social, emotional, and/or behavioral needs.

Preschool through grade twelve integrated services include Speech and Language Therapy, Audiology, Occupational Therapy, Sensory Integration, Physical Therapy, Community-Based Instruction, English Learner Language Services, Psychological Services, Service Coordination, Guidance Counseling Services, and Clinical Counseling.





Nursing Services

Wooster City Schools contracts with Akron Children's Hospital for nursing services. A Registered Nurse is available for each district building. Clinical counseling is also available in each building in partnership with the Wayne County Department of Job and Family Services and local counseling agencies.



2,216
Total Meals/ Day

Breakfast - 677

Lunch - 1,539



465 **Total Meals/Day in the Summer**



Goals

1. Sodexo delivers healthy and delicious school meals based on the USDA's nutrition guidelines so that students are engaged and ready to learn in school. All meals include a variety of fresh fruit and vegetable choices, and a variety of chilled non-fat or low-fat milk.
2. To achieve a financial breakeven in the food service account.



The Wooster City Schools' Transportation Department:

26 School Buses 3 microbuses, and 5 vans

2,843 Miles Driven Each Day

18 Schools Serviced

114 Bus Routes

700 Stops

Bus routes and additional transportation information can be found on the Wooster City Schools' website by clicking on the Transportation Link.

BusRight

The Transportation Department uses the BusRight app, a free and easy-to-use tool that tracks bus arrival times and routes in real time.

BusRight allows parents and guardians to:

- Track buses in real time to see where your child's bus is and when it will arrive.
- Receive alerts and notifications about route changes, traffic delays, or weather-related updates.
- Confirm safe arrivals when your child reaches school or home.
- View routes for one or multiple children in one convenient place.

Anazao Community Partners

Anazao is a private, non-profit organization providing treatment, intervention, and prevention services to residents and organizations throughout Wayne and Holmes counties. Specializing in rapid access and program development and implementation, Anazao is recognized as a leader in building innovative community partnerships.

Boys and Girls Club of Wooster

The goal of Boys and Girls Club is to enable all young people, especially those that need it most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens.

Goodwill Industries of Wayne and Holmes Counties

In 1980, a group of Wayne County business leaders mobilized to form Goodwill Industries of Wayne County, Inc., a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, and ten years later the agency expanded to include Holmes County. Like the other Goodwill affiliates of Goodwill Industries International, Goodwill Industries of Wayne and Holmes Counties operates independently, guided by its own local Board of Trustees made up of diverse community leaders. In this way, local Goodwill agencies are able to develop programs based on the needs of their own unique communities.

The Leader In Me

Our Elementary buildings implement The Leader in Me, an evidence-based, comprehensive model that builds leadership and life skills in students, creates a high-trust school culture, and lays the foundation for sustained academic achievement.

OHuddle

OHuddle is a non-profit organization supporting students with invested relationships in the form of 1:1 Mentorship. OHuddle stands for “Odyssey Huddle.” OHuddle’s mission is to awaken youth to their unique value and empower every child to thrive and enrich their community.

OneEighty

At OneEighty, we support a continuum of care with an individualized approach that can save and restore lives. OneEighty actively supports an evidence-based approach to sustainable recovery from trauma and addiction, restoring dignity and purpose, reimagining potential, and rebuilding the lives of the students that we serve through peer mentoring in the schoolhouse.

United Way of Wayne and Holmes Counties

To Live United means to work together to solve problems in the community. United Way focuses on four core areas that will help people improve their lives and make the community better. United Way believes healthy communities need builders, weavers, and warriors.

YMCA

The YMCA of Wayne County operates the Ellen Shapiro Natatorium on the Wooster High School campus. The YMCA also runs before and after school programs for Wooster City Schools students.



The safety and well-being of our students is the top priority of the Wooster City School District.

We are dedicated to providing a secure environment where students can thrive academically and personally. We continue to invest in advanced security measures, utilizing both local and grant funding. Through strong partnerships with the Wooster Police Department and other local law enforcement agencies, we have developed a comprehensive crisis management plan to ensure the safety of our students and staff during an emergency.

Communication Systems

Our district utilizes the Centegix Crisis Alert System across all school buildings. This system allows staff members to instantly alert building and district administrators, as well as the Wooster Police Department, in the event of an emergency. The alert system also triggers automated PA announcements and visual displays throughout the school, ensuring that everyone is informed of safety concerns promptly.

Wooster High School's PA system enables coverage and accessibility for administrators and teachers, even from remote locations. Speakers throughout the interior and exterior of the building improve communication during critical situations.

Surveillance and Infrastructure

Security cameras in each building feature facial recognition technology. During emergencies, the Wooster Police Department can access these cameras, enhancing our response capabilities. Classroom door blockades across the district provide additional protection.

Safer Ohio School Tip Line

The district actively participates in the Safer Ohio School Tip Line, a state-wide service that allows students and adults to anonymously report threats to student safety. Whether it involves a potential mass incident or harm to an individual student, tips submitted to 844-SaferOH (844-723-3764) are reviewed and acted upon by local school officials, law enforcement, and the Ohio School Safety Center (OSSC). More information about this free safety resource can be found at the Ohio School Safety Center, where safety concerns can be submitted directly.

Visitor Management

All school buildings use a cloud-based visitor management system, which streamlines the visitor sign-in process by scanning driver's licenses, conducting background checks, printing photo badges, and notifying staff of visitor arrivals. Visitor data is tracked and monitored online, allowing building principals to maintain awareness of who is in the building at all times. Additionally, students who arrive late or leave early are checked in and out using this system, which automatically sends email notifications to parents.



Wooster High School
BUILT 1994

PRINCIPAL: Margaret Davis
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: Jason Douglas
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: Steve Furlong
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: Chris Sieber

515 Oldman Road
Wooster, OH 44691
330.988.1111, ext. 3001
Grades: 8–12

BUILDING HOURS: 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Student Hours: 8:05 a.m. – 2:33 p.m.



Edgewood Middle School
BUILT 1963

PRINCIPAL: Heidi Haas
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: CJ Spreng
DEAN OF STUDENTS: Jeff Spitler

2695 Graustark Path
Wooster, OH 44691
330.988.1111, ext. 7170
Grades: 5–7

BUILDING HOURS: 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
STUDENT HOURS: 7:50 a.m. – 2:19 p.m.



Cornerstone Elementary School
BUILT 1922

PRINCIPAL: Gabrielle Montgomery
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: Anna Beadnell

101 W. Bowman Street
Wooster, OH 44691
330.988.1111, ext. 4003
Grades: PK–4

BUILDING HOURS: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
STUDENT HOURS: K-4: 9:05 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
PRESCHOOL: 8:30 – 11:40 a.m., 12:35 – 3:45 p.m.



Kean Elementary School
BUILT 1966

PRINCIPAL: Darrin Nash
432 Oldman Road
Wooster, OH 44691
330.988.1111, ext. 5500
Grades: K–4
BUILDING HOURS: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
STUDENT HOURS: 9:05 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.



Melrose Elementary School
BUILT 1962

PRINCIPAL: Jayme Tucker
1641 Sunset Lane
Wooster, OH 44691
330.988.1111, ext. 3500
Grades: K–4
BUILDING HOURS: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
STUDENT HOURS: 9:05 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.



Parkview Elementary School
BUILT 1956

PRINCIPAL: Katie Roth
773 Parkview Street
Wooster, OH 44691
330.988.1111, ext. 4500
Grades: K–4
BUILDING HOURS: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
STUDENT HOURS: K-4: 9:05 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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GENERALS
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