

GLSD



The Goshen Local School District



The vision of the Goshen Local School District is to be a district of excellence where students achieve their fullest potential through high-quality instruction, a state of the art learning environment and strong accountability systems to ensure we meet the needs of every student.

A Tradition of Excellence





Goshen's academic success is the result of a district-wide commitment to providing opportunities for all students to reach their full potential.

Recent highlights include:

\$3.5 million dollars in scholarships were offered to our graduating seniors in 2015

Research based intervention and Title 1 services provide support to students that need additional skill development.

Ohio Graduation Test passage rates ranked #1 in Clermont County in 10th Grade Math, Social Studies and World languages offered - Spanish and French

7 Dual Credit classes at GHS- Western Civilization, College Algebra, Statistics, Pre Calculus, Chemistry, Art History and Sociology.

Goshen Middle School (2012) and Spaulding Elementary School (2010, 2012 & 2014) have been recognized as "Schools of Promise" for their high academic achievement by the State of Ohio.

Saturday morning free ACT prep classes offered to help prepare students for success.

ACT Scores 3 year Composite Average =21. The class of 2015 averaged 22!

In 2014 GLSD ranked in the top 2% of the state on the gifted opportunity index by providing opportunities for students identified as gifted to participate in quality programs. We are still awaiting 2015 results from the state.

Performance Index was in the top 12% in the state in 2013 and top 14% in 2014. This means that Goshen students are scoring higher every year on state assessments. We are still awaiting 2015 results from the state.

Opportunities for enrichment and intervention provide for a personalized educational experience.



7 Advanced Placement Classes offered at the high school: Literature, Composition, Government, Psychology, American History, Biology, and Calculus. These courses provide motivated and academically prepared students with the opportunity to study and learn at the college level on our campus. Students scored a 3 or higher on 63 tests, earning college credit at most universities.



Focus on Advanced Placement testing leads to college credits and big savings for Goshen graduates

AP tests, which allow students to earn college credits while attending high school, are available to every GHS student.

In 2014-15, six students were awarded the “AP Scholar” distinction, earning a 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams.

One student was awarded the “AP Scholar with Honor” distinction, earning at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken and scores of 3 or higher on four or more of the exams.

Five students were awarded the “AP Scholar with Distinction” title, earning an average of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams.

Goshen High School 2015 Graduation Rate was 98%.

Goshen High School had its best year ever on AP exams, which means money saved on college tuition for Goshen families. When considering the cost per credit hour at an Ohio public university, students can save approximately \$1700 by scoring a three or higher on an AP exam.

Goshen High School was recognized in 2014 by the Ohio Department of Education for sustaining high academic achievement among their students. The Department recognized 48 “High Performing Schools of Honor” in 2014.



School Planning and Management Magazine article names Goshen Local School District a “highly productive school district” along with two other Ohio schools in July 2014 article evaluating “education and return on investment”.

Goshen HS was named to the AP Honor Roll by the College Board in 2013 for being one of the 477 school districts in the U.S. and Canada for simultaneously achieving increased access to Advanced Placement® courses for a broader number of students and also maintaining or improving the rate at which their AP students earned scores of 3 or higher on an AP Exam.

Goshen earns “Best High School” honors from Cincy Magazine

In its annual list of the top performing high schools in Cincinnati and Dayton, Cincy Magazine ranked GHS #20! The report researched 98 high schools around the area and Goshen High School’s success on measures such as the ACT, graduation rate, attendance rate and per pupil expenditure put our staff and students among the very best!

Cincy
magazine

2015 **Best** High Schools

2015 Senior Amber Chaney was named a National Merit Scholar Finalist. 1.5 million students enter the National Merit Scholar competition annually, with just 8,000 earning finalist honors.



Goshen Middle School eighth grader Aric Harp qualified for the Ohio High School State Science Fair, held at the Ohio State University.



A successful school district places a high degree of importance on ensuring that all children have the opportunity to reach their full potential inside and outside of the classroom. This profile helps characterize the overall educational value of your school district in areas that matter most in our community.



Goshen's focus on the fine arts is rooted in the belief that participation in performing and visual arts inspires students' creativity, problem-solving and critical thinking skills.

Recent highlights include:

With the amazing support of our boosters and community, Goshen High School hosts an Annual Goshen Marching Band Competition.



Three GHS students earned Art Academy of Cincinnati Scholarship Awards in 2013.

The Goshen High School marching band performed in the 2015 Findley Market Opening Day Parade.

Spaulding Elementary and Goshen Middle School competed in the Lions club poster contest with one student winning the district level competition.

Three Spaulding Elementary Students auditioned for and became part of the Cincinnati Children's Choir through the University of Cincinnati's College Conservatory of Music.



Seniors Jenna Staehling and Megan Allen won 2015 Congressional Art Competition honors. Jenna won 3rd place and her art will be displayed in Rep. Brad Wenstrup's Cincinnati office. Megan won 1st place and will have her art displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol and will visit Washington, D.C. for an awards ceremony, where she will be recognized with other winners from across the nation. This is the 2nd time Goshen has won the Congressional Art Competition, the last being Jordan Nelson in 2007.

High-quality staff members facilitate student experiences that enrich both our school district and the entire Warrior community.

Recent highlights include:



Goshen High School Junior Arleigh Smith is the 2014 National Championship in the God, Flag and Country oratory competition.

GMS National Junior Honor Society raised over \$3,000 in the "Pennies for Patients" program last year.

GHS students organize a Senior Citizens' Prom at the Venetian Gardens-Senior Citizens Center yearly.

Choir and band Christmas concert for Venetian Gardens.

Random Acts of Kindness Club performs community service throughout the community. Yellow Ribbon Committee mails packages to soldiers.

100% of Goshen High School students are required to complete 12 hours of community service prior to graduation

Clermont Chamber of Commerce awarded Goshen High School teacher Owen Huff a 2015 Excellence in Education Award.

20 teachers have earned the designation of Master Teacher by the Ohio Department of Education in accordance with Senate Bill Two of the 128th Ohio General Assembly and the Educator Standards Board of Ohio.

Karen Garret, Goshen Local School District Nurse was presented the Outstanding Classified Staff Member Award at the Spring Conference on March 10, 2015. Thank you Karen for all your dedication and passion for the students of Goshen Local Schools.

Mrs. Sue Steele was awarded the annual Education Award at the Salute to Leaders reception at the Oasis Conference center on March 10, 2015. The award is presented to an individual who has made a major contribution to the quality of education in a school district in Clermont County. Goshen Local Schools and the entire community are proud and appreciative of the work Mrs. Steele has done on behalf our students and families.



Financial responsibility ensures that the majority of funding is spent on instruction.

Goshen Local Schools produces excellent results at below average costs. The average cost per pupil is significantly lower than the state average. GLSD cost per pupil for FY 14' is \$10,030 while the state of Ohio average is \$10,912.



Investment in energy efficiency lights the way to a brighter future

Since 2007 the district has saved \$673,462 from energy conservation upgrades.

Goshen Local Schools has undergone a complete energy conservation review to insure that our buildings are operating at the lowest cost possible to the local taxpayer.

Changes include upgraded LED lighting in all four of Goshen's schools and state of the art usage tracking software.

Duke Energy awarded the Goshen Local School District with a SmartSaver incentive check in the amount of \$130,160. The project will save the school district money by reducing energy costs and minimizing maintenance required on equipment.

Goshen Local Schools began Open Enrollment in 2003-2004 and in the 2014-2015 school year alone it increased revenue to the general fund by \$1,039,140.

2015 Five Year Forecast details expected revenues and operating expenses for the next five years.

Our Facilities Committee and Business Advisory Council work together on permanent improvement strategies that provide for short and long-term plans to maintain district facilities.

Membership within the following organizations assists us in receiving services while sharing the costs with other area school districts:

CCESC (Clermont County Educational Service Center) – provides educational services, programs and counsel

CCIC (Clermont County Insurance Consortium) – a consortium for health insurance

HCCA (Hamilton/Clermont Cooperative Association) – provides technology infrastructure services and support

The district has undertaken a proactive budget plan to make adjustments in expenditures while providing an excellent education to our students. The plan has reduced expenditures and saved taxpayers over \$4,550,000 since 2003-2004.

Goshen Learning Academy is a financially self-sufficient program run by the GLSD to provide quality child care to families in the district.



Three Goshen Local Schools buildings have earned the Environmental Protection Agency's Energy Star designation for efficient use of energy.

Processes and programs are continuously evaluated for effectiveness and efficiency

We provide a highly trained, sensitive, and motivated staff that will support and foster the mission and vision.



Former Middle School principal Andrea Conner was hired as the Director of College and Career Readiness. Mrs. Conner's focus during the 2015-2016 school year will be to provide opportunities to Goshen students that allow them to explore educational paths and interests as they relate to college and the workforce.

Professional Learning Communities operate daily in all buildings with the core belief of providing the highest level of education to every student on their individual learning level.

70% of our teachers have a masters degree or higher.

Ashland University courses are offered for college credit on our campus, allowing teachers to further their education and enhance their skills.

Teachers use data to identify strengths and growth areas in every student, ensuring that each Warrior reaches their maximum potential.

Federal grant dollars are used to maintain excellence through providing intervention and enrichment opportunities.

GHS and GMS are members of the High Schools That Work and Making Middle Grades Work initiatives that promote school improvement.

Implemented the ACT college alignment test ASPIRE. 6th graders also take the ACT ENGAGE, which provides detailed reports that help parents and teachers have conversations with their students about the future.

Instituted ACT boot camp on Saturdays for HS students interested in obtaining higher scores for college entrance.

Goshen Middle School teachers met over several weeks during summer months aligning lessons and instructional strategies to meet the needs of future students at "Camp Wannaplan"

Our Literacy Specialist and teachers designed a three-week summer enrichment opportunity – Summer Reading Camp – for students who need additional work in reading over the summer. The program serves more than 20 students and is funded primarily with federal grant dollars





At Goshen Local Schools, a close relationship with parents and the community serves an essential role in enhancing the educational experience for students and staff

Recent highlights include:

Parent Advisory Committees have been set up at every building to elicit parent input into our schools



1000+ volunteer hours from community to Project More by more than 50 volunteers

Active Parent Teacher Organization

Annual Veterans Recognition Night dinner and halftime ceremony at the Goshen High School football game.

Goshen students, staff, and parents were able to raise over \$300 for the EDS Foundation of Cincinnati.

Muffins with Mom, and Donuts With Dad, and Grandparent's Luncheon events bring families to school to enjoy time with their children.

Marr/Cook and Spaulding's annual Father Daughter Dance.

Goshen Local School held our annual Business Recognition night on January 23. Public schools and local businesses are an integral part of the Goshen community. These businesses provide mentoring for our students, financial support, fundraising opportunities for a variety of groups and student organizations and serve on advisory committees.



Goshen High School Random Acts of Kindness Club performed multiple community service projects such as reading to elementary students.

Goshen community's generosity exemplifies the holiday spirit

The Spaulding Elementary Giving Tree, led by Guidance Counselor Shelli D'Orazio, helped over 150 children enjoy the spirit of the holidays through the efforts of local business partnerships and the support of parents, school staff and the Goshen community.



All third grade students participated in a service-learning project at school and in the community where they raised money to build an outdoor classroom at Stagge-Marr Community Park. This project will be recognized by the Ohio School Boards Association as a top new innovative project.

The Goshen High School chapter of the National Honor Society participated in the annual March of Dimes walk at Sawyer Point. The team raised \$921.67, bringing the chapter's ten year total to over \$16,000.

A Business Advisory council has been established to allow business and community leaders to have an input into the decision making process and how to best prepare our students for college and the workforce.

The 2nd annual Family and Community Earth Day celebration was held on the grounds of the High School.

Participant in the annual National Night Out organized with the Goshen Township Police Department and many community businesses.

Business Advisory Council spearheaded the involvement with Junior Achievement, which has exposed students to job shadowing opportunities at businesses such as AT&T, David J Joseph & Company and KPMG Accounting.





Goshen's diverse extracurricular opportunities are key to a well-rounded education, and are one of the many reasons we say, "Once a Warrior, ALWAYS a Warrior!"

Recent highlights include:

It is the goal of the Board of Education that all students in grades 7-12 be involved in extra-curricular activities.



The Varsity Girls Softball team were the 2015 District runners up in the state softball tournament.

Goshen High School 2014-15 Baseball Team won the SBAAC League Championship for the first time since 1979.

GHS girls Bowling team qualified for districts meet.

Senior Hanna Shafer made it to the State Tournament.

Two time state wrestling champion Chaz Gresham- 2011 and 2012

Goshen Learning Academy students participated in a variety of activities during Summer Camp, including: painting, pottery, nature walk on the nature trail, Mad Science experiments, and daily art and gym activities.

Activities/clubs available during the academic year:

National Honor Society

School Newspaper

Show Choir

Guitar Club

Foreign Language Clubs

Dance Club

Acapella Choir

Game Club

Music Activities

Academic Team

Drama

Random Acts of Kindness

Computer Club

Marching Band

Senior Mentor

Prom Committee

Visual Arts

Pep Band

Student Council

Class Officers

Drama Club

Jazz Band

Bowling

Yearbook Club

Technology is an essential tool to enhance teaching and learning, and to give students a competitive edge in the global market.

780 new laptop computers are in use by students every day during the 2015-16 school year.

340 iPads are available for checkout by staff members to incorporate technology into daily instruction.

Every classroom at Goshen Local Schools is equipped with a variety of technology teaching tools, including new teacher computers, student computers, digital projectors, interactive white boards, document projection systems and Apple TVs.

Teachers and students use MAP, Ten Marks and Pro-Core online student assessment programs to improve instruction.

Each elementary building has added classroom technology in place of a typical computer lab approach. Our goal is to have our younger Warriors access the curriculum from their classrooms in small groups using multiple forms of technology.

Technology classes are available for every student grades 3-12, including web design, business technology, and **the nationally recognized Project Lead the Way program at Goshen Middle School (currently) and Goshen High School (2016-17).**

A variety of services ensure all students receive individualized instruction and support.

Average Daily Enrollment- 2720

Students identified as gifted – 15.4%

Students with disabilities – 17.0 %

Special education students receiving services – 100%

Economically Disadvantaged- 56.5 %

Students identified as ESL – less than 1%

ESL students receiving services – 100%

Learning Academy and all day preschool unit

Goshen Local Schools is proud to offer all day Kindergarten at Marr/ Cook Elementary

Daily Summer Camp held at the Learning Academy in Marr/Cook.

Through our Learning Academy and elementary programs we are able to offer before and after school child care with homework help.

205 open enrollment students choose Goshen Local Schools for the quality of educational and extracurricular offerings

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