



State of Ohio 2000 School Building Report Card

Walter G Nord Junior High School Amherst Exempted Village School District

Lorain County

The purpose of this report card is to provide you with information about how well your school is doing — where it is succeeding and where there is room for improvement.

While it cannot tell you everything about your school's performance, the report card is a good starting point for discussions with teachers, administrators and school board members in your community.

Few factors have greater impact on student performance than parent and community involvement. For that reason, the State Board of Education and Ohio Department of Education encourage you to contact school building staff for more information — and to find out how you can become more involved in efforts to improve the overall performance of your school.

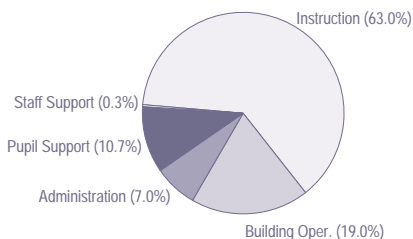
What To Do With This Information

- ✓ Visit your school — see how teaching and learning are taking place and ask questions.
- ✓ Ask what's being done to improve your school's performance — and how you can help with those efforts.
- ✓ Review the school's results with your children — so they see how they fit into the "big picture" — and support and encourage them to succeed.



SCHOOL PROFILE (1998-99 DATA)

YOUR SCHOOL'S SPENDING PER PUPIL



GENERAL

	Your School	State Average for Jr. High Schools
Enrollment	575	471
Students with Disabilities (%)	11.0	12.0
Students in the School Less Than Half the Year (%)	4.5	9.6
Teacher Attendance Rate (%)	96.9	95.9

ANNUAL SPENDING PER PUPIL*

	Your School	State Average for Jr. High Schools
Instruction (such as teacher salaries and classroom materials)	\$3,706	\$3,870
Building Operations (such as utilities, maintenance, and repairs)	\$1,116	\$1,056
Administration (such as administrators and office staff salaries and office supplies)	\$410	\$393
Pupil Support (such as librarians, counselors, and nurses)	\$632	\$638
Staff Support (such as teacher training and college courses)	\$19	\$57
Total Annual Spending Per Pupil	\$5,883	\$6,014

* May include money from bond levies to fund start-up instructional costs for new buildings.

YOUR SCHOOL'S PERFORMANCE RESULTS

Proficiency tests are given every year to Ohio students in grades 4, 6, 9 and 12 to test their knowledge and skills in core subject areas. Students have multiple opportunities between grades 8 and 12 to pass Ohio's Ninth Grade Proficiency Tests, which are a requirement for graduation.

State Proficiency Tests

1998-99 Performance Results and Comparisons			
Minimum state performance standards have been established by law. These columns show how your school performed against the state standards, and in comparison to the district and the state averages for the 1998-99 school year.			

3-Year Performance Results		
This section shows you whether your school's performance has improved or declined over the last 3 years.		

PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS WHO PASSED THE TESTS								
		State Performance Standard	Your School's Results	Your District's Average	State Average	1996-97* Results	1997-98* Results	1998-99 Results
9th Grade Tests	Citizenship	75%	NR	88.1	78.9	NR	NR	NR
	Mathematics	75%	NR	84.6	68.8	NR	NR	NR
	Reading	75%	NR	98.0	88.7	NR	NR	NR
	Writing	75%	NR	95.6	91.5	NR	NR	NR
	Science	75%	NR	88.7	74.1	NA	NR	NR
	All Tests	NS	NR	74.5	61.1	NA	0.0	NR
9th Grade Tests (10th Grade Students)	Citizenship	85%	NR	93.4	87.5	NR	NR	NR
	Mathematics	85%	NR	84.7	79.6	NR	NR	NR
	Reading	85%	NR	98.5	94.6	NR	NR	NR
	Writing	85%	NR	96.7	95.1	NR	NR	NR
	Science	85%	NR	90.7	82.6	NA	NA	NR
	All Tests	NS	NR	81.8	72.3	NA	NA	NR
12th Grade Tests	Citizenship	60%	NR	61.9	61.7	NR	NR	NR
	Mathematics	60%	NR	61.6	53.8	NR	NR	NR
	Reading	60%	NR	76.3	68.6	NR	NR	NR
	Writing	60%	NR	81.3	81.9	NR	NR	NR
	Science	60%	NR	68.3	58.2	NR	NR	NR
	All Tests	NS	NR	44.8	39.8	NA	NA	NR

* Test scores for 1996-97 and 1997-98 have been adjusted to reflect higher proficiency standards now in effect.

Other Results

1998-99 Performance Results and Comparisons			
State Performance Standard	Your School's Results	Your District's Average	State Average

3-Year Performance Results		
1996-97 Results	1997-98 Results	1998-99 Results

Student Attendance Rate (%)	93%	95.2	96.9	93.5	95.2	95.6	95.2
High School Graduation Rate (%)	90%	0.0	94.9	81.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
Graduates With State Honors Diploma (%)	NS	0.0	17.4	16.1	0.0	0.0	0.0

Questions to Discuss in Your Community

- ✓ Is your school achieving — or close to achieving — each of the state's minimum performance standards?
- ✓ How is your school doing compared to the overall district and state performance?
- ✓ Has your school's performance improved or declined over the last three years?
- ✓ What efforts are under way to improve areas where results are not satisfactory or where the school is not improving?
- ✓ What is your school's attendance policy? How is attendance likely to affect learning and test scores?
- ✓ What efforts are being made to keep students in school?

To obtain your own child's individual performance results, or for more information about your school's performance, contact your school office at (440) 988-4441.

NS = No standard. NA = Not available. NR = Not reported by the school. NC = Not calculated for fewer than 10 students.