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2025 Quality Profile

# ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE





Oak Hills Local Schools earned four stars on The Ohio School Report Card

National Recognition from the College Board **Two Commended Scholars** 

Oak Hills High School earned BRONZE distinction from the College Board's AP Honor Roll for increasing access to AP Courses for students for the SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR.

Oak Hills High School had

50% of seniors who took at least one AP Exam during high school, 39% of seniors scoring a 3 or higher on at least one AP Exam, and 86 students earned AP Scholar with Distinction Honors in 2024-25

\$36,560,077

in financial aid offered to the Class of 2025

182

Members of the Class of 2025 offered college scholarships





#### A District of Readers

A primary focus for the entire Oak Hills Local School District is strengthening early literacy development. The work starts at birth, by encouraging parents to support emerging oral-language skills; moves into playing with sounds and making connections to the written word in preschool; and leads to building phonics and word-recognition skills in the primary grades. The staff has devoted significant time to building background knowledge and skills; identifying best practices; establishing a solid literacy foundation for all students, and targeting support to students who struggle.

### DEMONSTRATING FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

#22 of 23

Hamilton County school districts in per-pupil spending

### 6 lowest of 23

Hamilton County school districts in lowest assessed taxes

2013

since the last voter-approved operating levy

73%

of funds spent on student instruction vs. state average of 65%

Over \$4.5 million

Dollars saved since energy conservation project started in 2013

### FINE ARTS OPPORTUNITIES

for Service, Self-Expression and Enrichment

# The Memory Project: Drawing and Printmaking: OHHS

"The Memory Project" is a nonprofit organization that invites art teachers and their students to create portraits for youth around the world who have faced substantial challenges, such as neglect, abuse, loss of parents, and extreme poverty. Students created over 30 more portraits in 2024-2025 for children in India, bringing the total created for children around the world to over 500 to date.

#### The Save Local Waters Rain Barrel Project: Painting and Public Art and National Art Honor Society: OHHS

The Rain Barrel Art Project desires to educate people on environmental issues like stormwater runoff, watersheds, and water conservation. OHHS artists in Ms. Kopf's Painting and Public Art class created 3 Rain Barrels for the event! Completed Rain Barrels were displayed at the Cincinnati Zoo and auctioned online.

#### **Veterans Day Preparations and Assembly**

Every year, the National Art Honor Society at OHHS works to create posters and handmade thank you cards, to welcome our community veterans for a celebration of their service. Digital Media Production students create large format posters to hang in the old gym for our Veterans in attendance. They create designs that reflect the themes selected for each year's assembly. Video Production students create Welcome Home videos and several are chosen to be shared at the assembly.

#### World AIDS Awareness Day/Day With(out) Art

December 1st marks the annual observance of World AIDS Day, one of the most recognized international days and a key opportunity to raise awareness in communities across the world. Ms. Schorsch's Studio Art Foundations students created a collaborative temporary mural that focused on empowerment, activism, and the theme of 'Altruism'.

# Painting and Public Art Legacy Murals: Painting and Public Art

Each year, mural panels are designed and installed in the "Mile Long" hallway to communicate a visual time capsule and timeline of events throughout the students' time at Oak Hill High School.

#### OHHS Art and Design Students displayed their artworks in 17 different exhibits across the region during the 2024-25 school year.

#### **Scholastic Art Awards: Regional**

- Art Portfolio: 3 Honorable Mention, 1 Gold Key
- American Visions Award Nominee: 1
- Gold Kev Winners: 11
- Silver Key Winners: 12
- Honorable Mention Winners: 29

#### **Scholastic Art Awards: National**

2 Silver Medalists

#### **Overture Awards**

- 4 Students Nominated to Compete
- 2 Semi-Finalists

#### **Congressional Art Awards**

 District 1 Regional Selection: Exhibited in Cincinnati, OH

#### **Taft Museum of Art ARC Exhibition**

- 1 Grand Prize Winner
- 1 Best of Show for OHHS

#### **Celebrating Art**

• Over 100 artworks selected for publishing

#### **PTA Reflections**

• State and County Winners

#### **AP Art and Design**

- 6 Drawing and 2D Design students earning a score of 5
- 2 AP Art History students earning a score of a 5

#### **Music & Band Awards**

- Bronze Medal, MSBA Class 4A Marching Band Championships (Highest Finish/Score ever for Oak Hills)
- One First Place and Two Second Place finishes for the OHHS Marching Band in local competitions
- Two Superior Ratings at the Music in the Parks Concert Festival including Best Overall Concert Band
- Eight students named as O.M.E.A. District 14 High School Honor Band Selections

# **HIGHLANDER HIGHLIGHTS**

# Accomplishments to Celebrate

The OHLSD One Heart, One Hope fundraiser held in the spring raised over \$20,000 in 2024 and a whopping \$190,000 over the last 14 years for Oak Hills families experiencing hardships.

Kaitlyn Firsich, a fourth grade student at J.F. Dulles Elementary, raised a record total of \$2,248.72 during the Kids Heart Challenge to benefit the American Heart Association. Kaitlyn's total is the most money ever raised by an individual student at the school. She also raised the highest amount of money at J.F. Dulles Elementary for the fourth consecutive year.

74 Senior Student-Athletes were named GMC Scholar Athletes in 2024-25. Those students maintained a 4.14 or higher GPA (on a 5 point scale) to earn that honor.

Jim Wandsnider's OHHS Construction Classes built a beautiful memorial bench as a tribute to our beloved staff member Lisa Schlomer, who passed away last school year after a courageous battle with cancer. The class also built a dog and a cat house specially designed to protect animals from the elements. The houses were built with doors and protective features to help the animals during the winter months. Both of the houses were donated to the Cincinnati Animal CARE Shelter and Resource Center.

OHLSD had five coaches named GMC Coach of the Year: Kevin Spraul, Girls' Soccer; Shellie Hageman, Girls' Cross Country; Ally McCarthy, Girls' Volleyball; Chase Pearson, Girls' Tennis; Robin Hoernschmeyer, Girls' Bowling.



### **Opportunities for Students**

28

Advanced Placement courses

**58** 

Honors courses

24

College Credit courses

43

clubs and activities

32 different sports, fielding 58 teams



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### A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY FOR SENIORS

Oak Hills Local Schools is pleased to offer local residents age 65 or older free admission to all home athletic events at Oak Hills High School, and Bridgetown, Delhi and Rapid Run Middle Schools.

The only exclusion is OHSAA tournament games.

Apply for the Highlander Golden Card at the OHLSD District Office, 6325 Rapid Run Road, or at the Oak Hills High School Athletic Office, 3200 Ebenezer Road.