



Learning to Believe & Achieve

FAIRVIEW PARK CITY SCHOOLS // 2015



ABOUT US //

The Fairview Park City Schools is a top-performing, award-winning district serving students within the Fairview Park community in grades Pre-K through 12.

With more than 1700 students, the district is committed to increasing student achievement through 21st-century learning tools, including a One-to-One Technology Initiative in grades 1-12.

Comprised of four innovative learning facilities including the Early Education Center, Gilles-Sweet Elementary School, Mayer Middle School and Fairview High School – students are provided with rigorous and diverse educational opportunities.



66% staff & faculty hold an advanced degree



Our bus fleet transports **1,000** students and covers **402** miles daily



More than **250** little ones participate in our comprehensive Daycare program



162 students participate in AP Course offerings and **58%** received a 3+ score on national AP exams



70% freshmen take a world language and our ESL students represent **8** languages

From daycare to diploma, our primary objective at the Fairview Park City Schools is to provide our students with the best educational experiences and opportunities available.



Every day, we aim to help students become critical thinkers, creative problem-solvers, effective communicators, and empowered learners, possessing an entrepreneurial spirit that will assure their success as productive members of the 21st-century global society.

Over the past few months, we've made real progress. Through the combined efforts of an outstanding teaching faculty, nurturing support staff, engaged parents, experienced administrators, and supportive community, the Fairview Park City Schools has demonstrated outstanding leadership and resourcefulness.

Combined with strong fiscal accountability and responsible stewardship, we are proud to share with you the many great things happening in our schools. There is no doubt that with your continued support and partnership, the Fairview Park City Schools will continue to be a place where our students are truly "Learning to Believe & Achieve."

Dr. Bill Wagner
Superintendent
Fairview Park City Schools



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Creating engaging 21st-century learning environments

A positive school environment creates a place where learning and achievement thrive. Many factors contribute to a positive and engaging climate. These factors include safe and welcoming facilities, a robust network infrastructure, positive behavior supports and meaningful programming.

WELCOMING FACILITIES // In January 2008, the **Fairview Park Early Education Center**, formerly known as the Coffinberry Early Education School, moved to the Parkview Building on Mastick Road. The building houses all of the district's daycare, preschool and kindergarten programs.

Gilles-Sweet Elementary School is the newest campus in the Fairview Park City School district. The school opened its doors to students and staff in 2007. The first through fifth grade campus averages 700 students.

Lewis F. Mayer Middle School averages an enrollment of nearly 400 sixth through eighth grade students who participate in a number of academic and extracurricular activities.

Fairview High School (FHS) averages an enrollment of 600 students in ninth through twelfth grade. Recent auditorium enhancements and WIFI access point upgrades provide students with the tools to learn in a growing 21st-century society.

FACILITY SERVICES // The district has recently partnered with the Brewer-Garrett Company to assist with integrated facility services management. Representatives from Brewer-Garrett will work closely with our custodial and maintenance staff to streamline current processes, conduct training and introduce new, innovative energy efficiency services.

TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE // The board recently approved a contract with Warwick Communications for computer network monitoring and online data backup management services. The new partnership will enhance the district's current system by offering 24/7 remote monitoring as well as onsite support, server updates and off-site data backup and storage.

SAFETY AND SECURITY // This fall, building leaders, local safety officers and community members formed to create a Safety and Security Committee. The committee's goal is to enhance and update the district's safety plan, upgrade building infrastructure and train staff on innovative safety strategies.

Staff members from across the district gathered this fall to engage in ALICE training for responding to extreme violence or active shooter events. ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate) strategies incorporate the use of building infrastructure, technology, and human action to maximize survival chances and mitigate casualties.

In October, the committee applied for and received funding through HB 487, which will work to upgrade district emergency communications and safety equipment in the months ahead.

ANTI-BULLYING PROGRAMMING // Up to 64 percent of children who are bullied do not report it. That's why staff members at Gilles-Sweet Elementary were recently trained on the innovative Olweus Bullying Prevention Program. The staff developed the acronym S.H.I.E.L.D., which encourages students to Support, Help, Include, Encourage, Lead and Defend their peers. The program empowers students to take ownership of difficult bullying situations and provides teachers with powerful, real-time interventions.



FAMILY, FRIENDS, FAIRVIEW INITIATIVE // FHS is embracing the new Family, Friends, Fairview Initiative, which aims to build a sense of pride and support within the district and Fairview Park Community. Last fall, students signed an Anti-Bullying Petition as part of Bullying Prevention week while staff members took part on creative theme days like “Put A Cap On Bullying.” Stay tuned for future “Meet, Greet and Eat,” events throughout the community, where you can chat one-on-one with district leaders on a variety of topics.



“This year, teachers and students across the district have embraced the change to a variety of new technology tools. In doing so, they continue to find new ways to communicate and collaborate, create and innovate, and use critical thinking to solve problems in a rigorous and relevant environment.”

MATT DUNLAP
Instructional Technology Coordinator

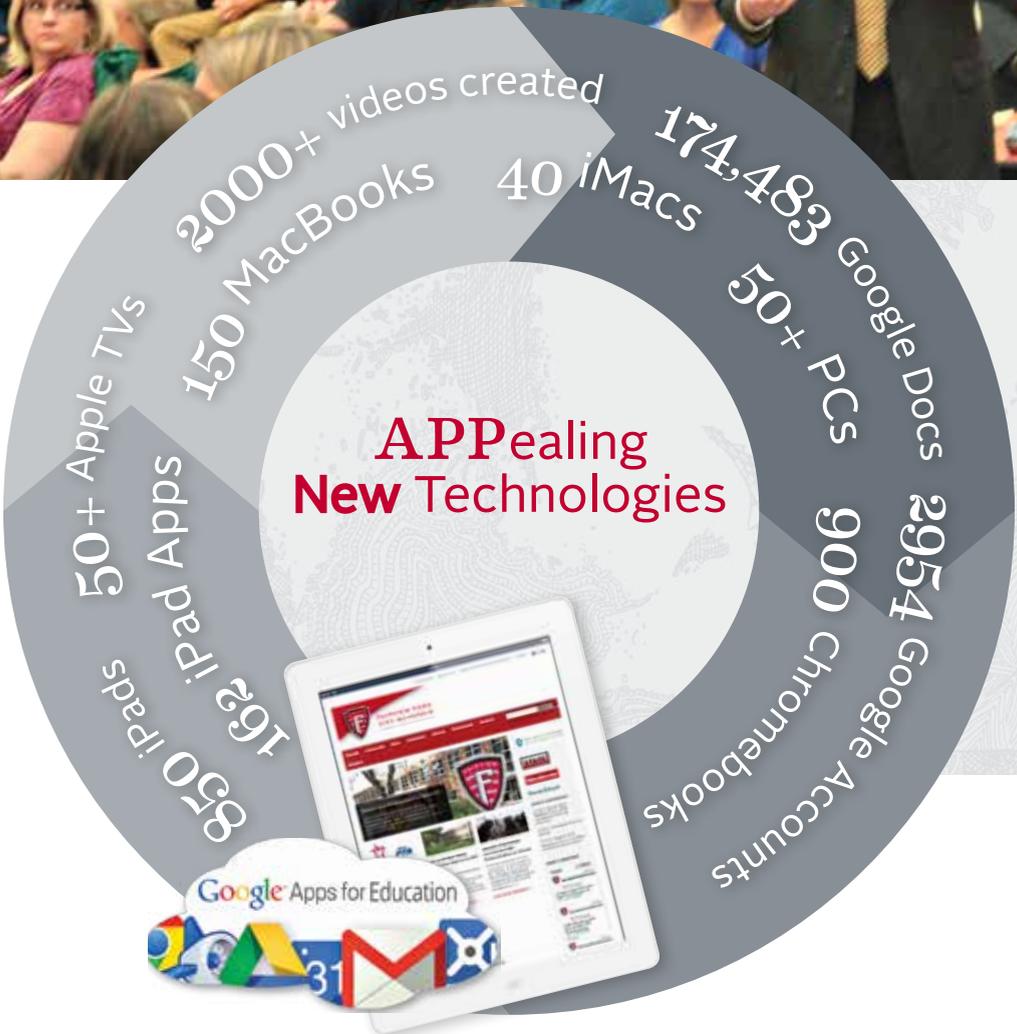


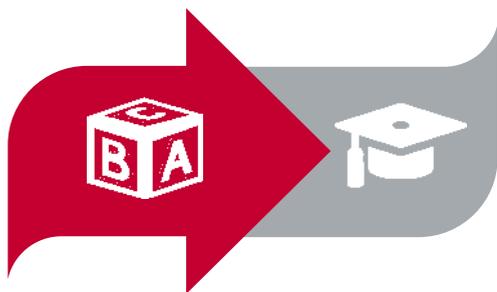
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High-quality teaching and meaningful programming

Through the efforts of our outstanding administrators, we have focused deeply on the work of Dr. Willard Daggett of the International Center for Leadership in Education (ICLE) to help guide and transform our teaching and learning process. Members from the ICLE engage our building leaders and teaching staff on a quarterly basis to discuss innovative strategies and programming for improving student achievement.

World-renowned educational leader and founder of ICLE, Dr. Willard Daggett provides professional development to our teachers highlighting the importance of relevance in education.





MEANINGFUL PROGRAMMING from Daycare to Diploma

- // K-12 One-to-One Technology Initiative
- // AP Course Offerings
- // Athletics
- // Band/Orchestra/Jazz
- // Blended Learning
- // Developmental Assistance Program (DAP)
- // Daycare
- // English as a Second Language (ESL)
- // Gifted & Talented
- // Foreign Language
- // Honors Courses
- // Online Coursework
- // Polaris Career Center
- // Post-Secondary
- // Project Lead the Way
- // S.H.I.E.L.D. Anti-Bullying Program
- // Special Education
- // Stagecrafters Drama Club
- // Transportation



WARRIOR PRIDE

Tyler Cain

2013-14
PAC Golfer of the Year

Alice Clark

3 time State
Qualifier in Diving
(2011, 2012, 2013)

Megan Coyne

2013, 2014 PAC
Soccer Player of the Year

Katie Smith

2013-14 PAC Girls
Basketball Player of the Year; All time leading Scorer; All Ohio 2nd Team

We prepare our students for a world of problem solving, communication, collaboration, and analysis by using state-of-the-art technology in our classrooms.



More than 850 iPads & 900 Chromebooks were distributed this year as part of the district's ongoing technology initiative, which provides a device for every student in the district, grades 1-12, as well as devices for every kindergarten classroom.

CHECK OUT
OUR 21ST-CENTURY
TECH SPOTLIGHTS ON OUR
DISTRICT WEB PAGE.





Large carryover balance for buildings & resources

No levy requests in more than 8 years

Excellent Bond Rating

NO NEW operating funds needed through 2019

3 Demonstrating exceptional fiscal accountability

The Fairview Park City Schools has earned the trust of community members by exhibiting strong fiscal management over the past several years. With the assistance of the Financial Advisory Community Task Force [FACT] and outstanding leadership of our Treasurer and Finance office staff, the financial records received a favorable review by the Auditor of State.

RECENT COST-SAVING INITIATIVES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- // Recipients of the American School Business Officials' Meritorious Budget Award [MBA] for the past three years
- // Re-packaged building HVAC contracts resulting in a savings of more than \$13,000 annually
- // Implementing new network maintenance contracts saving over \$30,000 annually
- // Initiated an innovative facilities management services contract to improve custodial, cleaning, and maintenance services and generate additional cost-savings
- // Joined the Brewer-Garrett Company Green Apple Project to increase district-wide energy consumption awareness and decrease monthly utility expenses
- // Reorganized the Nutrition Services management structure with the goal of increasing quality, customer satisfaction and cost-savings



4 Building meaningful partnerships

The responsibility for ensuring that all students are college and career ready belongs to the entire community. Members from our PTA, booster groups, Fairview Park Education Association, PTA After Prom Committee and many community organizations provide valuable experiences and unique opportunities to our students and families.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT // Parents and community members stay connected with upcoming events, programs and updates through our newly-designed district website, e-newsletters and social media channels. With the launch of the Power Announcement alert system, parents can also opt-in to receive text, e-mail and phone alerts for school closings and emergencies.



Along with digital communication, the district has ramped up grassroots efforts and intends on expanding face-to-face outreach. Stay tuned for future "Meet, Greet and Eat," events throughout the community, where you can chat one-on-one with district leaders on a variety of topics.

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL // The Fairview Park Safe Routes to School Initiative is a partnership of the City of Fairview Park, Fairview Park City Schools, Cuyahoga County Board of Health, community organizations, and residents working to make walking and biking to school a safer, more enticing option for our students. Work on 13 infrastructure improvements in and around our schools will begin in the summer through \$350,000 in grants awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation.

Since its inception, the Fairview Park Education Foundation has awarded more than \$175,000 for classroom grants. Last year, the foundation awarded \$15,500 in student scholarships.



1,200 FOLLOWERS



1,072 LIKES



485K PHOTO VIEWS



71K+ WEBSITE HITS LAST MONTH



5 Developing a highly skilled staff

The success of our students is directly related to the quality and skill level of our employees. Just as we expect our students to continually learn, our teachers must do the same. We place high emphasis on professional development and provide workshops and training sessions throughout the year. Our teaching staff is exceptionally well-trained, creative, engaged, and working hard to ensure the growth of every student, every day.

- // More than 66% of district teachers have a Master's degree or higher
- // The teaching faculty has an average of over 19 years of experience in providing high-quality education for our students
- // The District is a member of the International Center for Leadership in Education (ICLE) founded by Dr. Willard R. Daggett and focusing on rigor, relevance, and the development of strong, positive relationships for ALL students.





1 semi-finalist and **2** commended scholars in the past three years



13.5% of 2013 graduating seniors received an Honors Diploma



On average, **80** students in grades 11 & 12 take part in **21** different programs at Polaris Career Center

ACT



71% of 2014 graduates took the ACT and **83%** are pursuing Post-Secondary education/training

First district in the area to provide blended learning options and **1-to-1** Technology Initiative in grades 1-12

Girls Varsity Soccer:
PAC Stripes Division Champions 4 straight years 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014
Girls Varsity Basketball:
Back-to-Back PAC Stripes Division Champions 2013, 2014



More than **100** students take part in programming at FHS as part of Project Lead the Way in both Engineering and Biomedical Sciences



90% of 3rd graders scored "Proficient", "Accelerated", or "Advanced" on the state reading test



63% of our 2014 fall athletes had a GPA of 3.0 or higher





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GILLES-SWEET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
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“We are a very fortunate community to have so many caring teachers, staff and administrators. They continually go above and beyond to help all students and make their elementary years positive.”

DANIELLE DANBURG
Parent

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