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Join us for Upcoming West Clermont Town Halls

- Apr. 21 • 7pm** Holly Hill Elementary (3520 State Route 132)
- May 3 • 7pm** Willowville Elementary (4529 Schoolhouse Road)
- Sep. 22 • 7pm** West Clermont High School (4101 Bach Buxton Road)
- Dec. 8 • 7pm** West Clermont Middle School (1341 Clough Pike)



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A STORY WORTH TELLING OUR NEW CHAPTER UNFOLDING



2022 STATE OF THE SCHOOLS REPORT

West Clermont 2022 Financial Health Update Executive Summary

The Rearview Mirror

To truly understand and appreciate West Clermont School District's current state, we must first take a look in the rearview mirror. As recently as three years ago, West Clermont faced an uncertain future. Over a number of years, the district had made cuts to services and was operating with a cost per pupil that was 24% lower than the state average - this meant we were spending less on each student compared to other school districts. The unfortunate result was that students were experiencing gaps in programming and their educational experience. However, thanks to the support and commitment of our community, the district has been able to take a different—and better—route.

The Bridge

In 2020, voters in West Clermont School District passed an operational levy to keep our level of programs and services stable. In addition, school districts in Ohio, including West Clermont, received federal and state dollars to both offset the additional expenditures caused by the pandemic and to reduce the negative educational impact students experienced when their learning was disrupted by an extended closure. Both the

passage of the levy and the unexpected pandemic relief funds served as a bridge to the road we find ourselves on today. They provided the district with the necessary financial resources to strengthen the student experience and elevate the value of an education from West Clermont School District. With the help of our students and community, we further defined our vision by creating the Portrait of a Graduate that details not only where we want to go as a district, but more importantly, where our students want to go.

The Horizon

West Clermont will continue to face challenges, but with these challenges come opportunities. We continue to manage the effects of the impact of COVID-19. This includes understanding how the disruption caused by the pandemic has affected our students' academic development and mental health. The district also faces new financial realities. There is a new state funding formula that impacts the amount of financial support we receive from the state government. This change is shifting more financial responsibility to our schools and our community. Additionally, we continue to see a steady rise in enrollment. This makes it more important than ever that we continue to work together to keep West Clermont moving Onward and Upward.

VISION

Together As One Community,
We Learn. Lead. Succeed.

MISSION

Commit to excellence with every
learner, every day, every way.

CORE VALUES

Together We are, ON THE RISE

- R:** Relationships
- I:** Innovation
- S:** Student-Centered
- E:** Empowerment

DISTRICT PROFILE

Area Square Miles: 43
 5th Largest Employer in
 Clermont County 873

SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Elementary (PK-5) 2
 Elementary (K-5) 5
 Middle School (6-8) 1
 High School (9-12) 1



WEST CLERMONT ROADMAP FOR SUCCESS

STRATEGIC PLAN THROUGH 2025

STUDENT SUCCESS

Improved Attendance • Higher Student Engagement • Increased Partnerships
 More Future Ready Graduates • Modernized Core Curriculum Updates • Retain Staff
 Increased Enrollment • Higher Performance



- Grow Academic Achievement & Educational Opportunity**
- Updated math curriculum & financial literacy
 - Added summer school/extended learning opportunities
 - More elementary art, music, physical education & career exploration
 - Expanded special education programming, paraprofessionals & support staff

- Equip & Engage Every Learner**
- Added middle & high school counselors
 - Added school psychologists

ONWARD & UPWARD INVESTMENTS

- Optimize Partnerships & Align Resources**
- \$14 million additional federal relief dollars
 - Expanded partnerships to remove barriers & support future-ready programming
 - 3-year agreement with faculty and staff stabilizing wages and benefits

- Embrace Innovative Learning**
- One to one technology for all students (1:Wolf)
 - Increased instructional coaching/professional development for student-centered learning
 - Modernized data infrastructure

Facilities: Holly Hill, Merwin, WCMS

Students & Staff Well-being

Workforce Shortages

Pace of Enrollment

Supply Chain Interruptions

Housing Market

State Funding

How We Compare to Other Districts (Cost Per Pupil)

WEST CLERMONT SCHOOLS	\$10,425
SIMILAR DISTRICT AVERAGE	\$12,740
STATEWIDE AVERAGE	\$13,387

West Clermont spends less per pupil than the state average and similar districts. We are in the bottom 6% in spending across Ohio's 607 school districts.

Source Cupp Report 2021

Student Enrollment Projected Growth in Grades K-12

	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	26-27	27-28	5 Yr. Growth*
Amelia	668	700	736	756	773	777	109
Clough Pike	569	597	590	588	584	670	101
Holly Hill	291	292	281	286	292	297	6
Merwin	653	711	755	774	799	809	156
Summerside	652	703	735	782	830	844	192
Willowville	517	539	562	580	599	602	85
Withamsville-Tobasco	546	562	578	595	613	617	71
WC Middle School	1880	1916	2019	2011	2044	2070	190
WC High School	2509	2542	2587	2652	2626	2741	232
TOTAL	8285	8562	8843	9024	9160	9427	1142

Enrollment is on the rise. Increased enrollment directly impacts programs, staffing and facilities.

*Using the 22 - 23 school year for comparison purposes • Source: Decision Insight Dec 2021

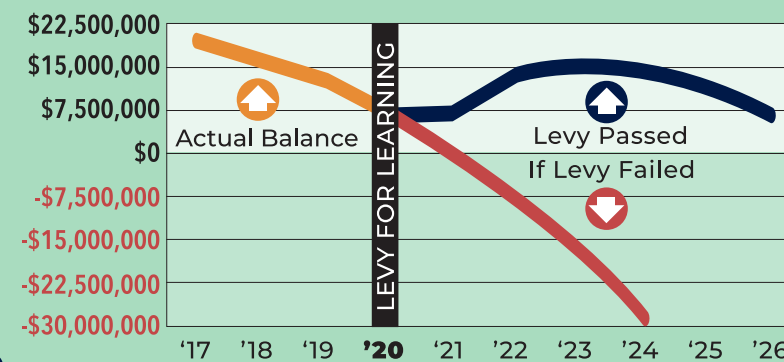
Duration of the Pandemic

Local Economy

Uncertainties Ahead

Driving a new student experience

Projected Cash Balances Pre and Post Levy
 If the levy failed, we would be in fiscal emergency and subject to state takeover. As the levy passed, we are creating our future.



Source: WC 5-Year Forecast Nov 2021

COVID-19

2020 LEVY PASSED

IF LEVY FAILED

Keeping Our Commitment

Fiscal Distress

Operating Revenue by Source
 FY 2019 reflects we are more equal partners with the state. FY2022 and the new state funding formula reflects greater dependency on local funding.

Source: Cupp Report 2021, WC 5-Year Forecast Nov 2021

