



# THREE RIVERS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT QUALITY PROFILE

2016

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 Three Rivers School District in areas that matter most in our community.



## ACADEMICS

*Our district's academic program provides opportunities for all students to reach their full potential.*

Outstanding Academics is what Three Rivers Elementary, Taylor Middle School, and Taylor High School strive to achieve.

- The Class of 2016 obtained over \$3.4 million in college scholarships.
- There over 70 students who took 152 advanced placement exams.
- Three Rivers Elementary School and Taylor Middle School (3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade) offer an APT program to all students who qualify as gifted.
- Destination Imagination is an academic program that teaches students to use high level thinking skills in APT. In 2016 our Technical team qualified for Global Championships in Knoxville, Tennessee. The team took 5<sup>th</sup> place out of 76 global teams.
- In 2016, 12 advanced placement courses were offered at the high school level. Weighted GPA's are offered.
- In 2016, a \$5,000 grant was awarded in order to bring Dave Ramsey's Financial Literacy Curriculum to Taylor High School.
- Excellent instruction in Spanish and French are currently offered for high school credit.
- Students in grades 7 and 8 can begin to earn high school credits. It is possible for four credits to be earned before 9<sup>th</sup> grade.
- Teaching Professions Academy and Pre-Engineering classes offer dual credit so that students can begin earning college credit.



## ARTS

*Participation in performing and visual arts inspires students' creativity, problem-solving and critical thinking skills.*

Fine and performing arts are extremely successful in Three Rivers. Visual arts, instrumental music, vocal music, and theater arts are some of the most successful in the tri-state area and beyond.

- Taylor High School's production of the Addam's family garnered the drama department 27 CAPPIES nominations in 2016.
- All three of Taylor's top choirs qualified for state competition in 2016.
- In 2016, 8 students from the Taylor High School Band were selected to participate in the Xavier University Honor Band.
- Gold and Silver Key Winners are the norm for our visual art students. 90% of our advanced placement art students scored a "3" or higher on the AP exam in 2015.
- Taylor hosted 1<sup>st</sup> annual Band Premiere, hosting 13 bands from Kentucky, Indiana, and Ohio.
- Taylor High School student, Eliana Batsakis, won a Silver Medal at the National Scholastic Art Awards for her painting, "Lion Fish with Fingerprint Coral". This is the highest level of achievement for high school art students in the country.



## COMMITMENT TO IMPROVEMENT

*Processes and programs are continuously evaluated to ensure effectiveness and efficiency.*

- Data is continuously reviewed and best practices are researched in order to make quality decisions regarding processes and programs in Three Rivers.
- A strong communication path was developed to allow the District Leadership Team to disseminate information and initiatives to the building level, departments, and grade levels. Individual teachers are able to use the information to make great instructional decisions in their classroom.
- In 2016 Gail Montague, Human Resources, was presented the Outstanding Support Services Award from the American Society for Public Administration in conjunction with the Cincinnati Association.
- Building administrative teams work diligently to make sure the best educational environment for our students is being provided.
- In 2016, Bret Albright was named a Hamilton County Teacher of Excellence.



## DIGITAL LEARNING

*Technology is essential to enhance teaching and learning and to give students a competitive edge in a global market.*

Three Rivers Educational Campus gives the students an edge that most districts have not achieved. Wireless connectivity and digital devices have been a focus for the past couple of years.

- Chromebook deployment allows more integration into instruction at a more affordable price.
- 500 additional Chromebook were purchased in the summer of 2016 which will allow Three Rivers to effectively implement electronic textbooks in ELA, Science, and Social Studies in grades 5-12.
- Advanced Placement students utilize iPad technology.
- ELA, Social Studies, and Science (5-12) utilize digital textbooks in all classes.
- Technology instruction is provided for all students in grades 1-6.
- Comprehensive high school technology classes are offered in the areas of Virtual Reality, Engineering, and more.
- Over 1,900 iPads and Chromebook are available for student use.
- Virtual classes are available in order to provide students an alternative to traditional classroom instruction.
- All students grades K-12 will be assessed using MAP in the areas of ELA, Math, and Science starting in the 2016-2017 school year to provide valuable data & facilitate increasing student achievement.



## FISCAL STEWARDSHIP

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

Three Rivers Prides itself on being outstanding stewards of tax payer money. Three Rivers has not asked the community for additional operating dollars since 2005. In addition, the district was able to leverage over \$26 million from the State of Ohio to help fund, along with a bond issue, a \$63 million campus that allowed the district to close aging facilities that were a drain on financial resources.

- In April of 2016 Three Rivers Local School District received the Auditor of State Award following the state audit.



## PARENT & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

*Educational experiences are enhanced by partnerships between the school district and community.*

We are proud of important partnerships that exist in our community.

- Parents are encouraged to become involved through volunteer opportunities.
- The Taylor High School PTO and Three Rivers Elementary PTO work tirelessly to provide opportunities for our staff and students throughout the year that include programs and activities that would not be available otherwise.
- The ACCLAIM Foundation and Yellow Jacket Foundation have been developed to support the fine and performing arts and the athletic program.
- Kiwanis has been a community partner for decades.
- Individual booster groups continually strive to support many functions within Three Rivers.
- Strong educational partnerships with Coca-Cola, LaRosa's, U.C. Health, Agrium, and more.
- In August, Three Rivers will kick off the 2016-2017 school year with a ready fest to bring students and their families to campus in order to prepare for the year. This will provide an opportunity to prepare students for a successful year of learning and parents with the resources they will need to support their child's education. The event is funded by grants, donations, and community support.



## STAFF LEADERSHIP

*Student growth and achievement are facilitated by high-quality staff members.*

You will find that the faculty in Three Rivers is second to none.

- Faculty and staff lead all our student clubs and organizations.
- Teacher Leaders have become an integral part of the process to improve Three Rivers Schools in a variety of areas that support our students.
- On-going education and professional development opportunities are an integral part of our teachers' commitment to our students.
- 100% of Three Rivers teachers are highly qualified.



## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

*A well-rounded education includes a wide variety of opportunities.*

Three Rivers provides some of the best student activities for a district its size.

- At Taylor High School, many athletic opportunities are provided to males and females.
- Three Rivers is proud to partner with the Three Rivers Community Athletic Association that provides outstanding opportunities to students in kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade.
- The fine and performing arts programs in Three Rivers are incredibly successful. It supports two full drama programs, six in-school instrumental ensembles, nine in-school vocal ensembles, and numerous visual arts opportunities; which include three advanced placement art classes, ceramics, digital art classes, and much more.
- Student involvement in clubs are encouraged – National Honor Society, SW ARM, Key Club, Philanthropy Club, Yearbook, Taylor News, Student Council, Recycling Club, Builder's Club, Chess Club, Academic Team, and many more.



## STUDENT LEADERSHIP

*Students' experiences are enhanced by serving their school and community.*

Leadership opportunities for students:

- Community service opportunities through National Honor Society, Key Club, Builders, Club, Athletic Teams, and Fine Arts are offered.
- Internships are available through the Business Program and Teaching Professions Academy.
- Student Council is active in grades 5-12.
- Character Education is important as it helps students to strive to become valuable leaders by focusing on a variety of character qualities. A strong character education program, Character Council of Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky, is implemented in all three schools at Three Rivers.



## STUDENT SERVICES

*A variety of services provide options to ensure all students receive individualized instruction, enrichment and support.*

Three Rivers is proud to support all students who attend our school to provide an outstanding education.

- Students identified as gifted – 17%
- Students with disabilities – 18.1%
- Students identified as economically disadvantaged – 37.7%
- Three Rivers is working hard to close the gap for our students identified as special needs or economically disadvantaged
- District expenditure per pupil for fiscal year 2015 was \$10,826.



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