

NORTHWEST LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



PREPARING OUR STUDENTS FOR THE FUTURE



Brenda Miller,
Director of Curriculum

"The six Portrait Competencies selected by our community are: adaptability, communication, critical thinking, learner's mindset, empathy and integrity. Our teachers are working together to design deeper learning experiences for all students that further develop the skills and competencies that our community values."



Lori Riehle,
Assistant Director of Curriculum

"As we gear up to implement Portrait of a Graduate for the 2022-23 School Year, we want to make sure our students are equipped with the academic content and the 21st Century skills they need to be contributing citizens in our world."



Andy Phelps,
Curriculum Supervisor

"We're designing our curriculum to reach every student, every day. We want to make sure our students are equipped to thrive regardless of the paths they choose upon graduation whether it's enrollment, employment or enlistment."

NWLSD IS *STUDENT FOCUSED*



"We're committed to learn every child by name, story, strength and need."

On July 19, 2021, the Northwest Local School District (NWLSD) Board of Education voted unanimously to hire Darrell Yater as the district's new superintendent. Mr. Yater brings over 25 years of experience in education and a wealth of knowledge to NWLSD. As Mr. Yater takes the reins, he is keeping the District's Strategic Plan at the forefront of his actions ensuring that NWLSD is a responsive learning community where all students are valued, challenged and guided along a pathway to success.

Darrell Yater,
NWLSD Superintendent



BUILDING OUR CULTURE OF TRUST **THROUGH OUR STRATEGIC PLAN**

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

OCTOBER 2019

- Student Achievement Committee began meeting

APRIL 2020

- Began partnership with Learning Sciences International (Rigor Project), collected baseline data from over 75 classrooms
- Interviewed and hired 22 coaches to support teachers with improving classroom instruction

JANUARY 2021

- Began engaging NWLSD community in designing Portrait of a Graduate

AUGUST 2021

- Teachers began planning for implementing Portrait of a Graduate competencies into the curriculum for the 2022-23 school year

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

JANUARY 2020

- Social Emotional Support Committee Group began

APRIL 2020

- Student Support Guidelines and Code of Conduct were updated to reflect current practices

AUGUST 2020

- Increased therapy services for students K-12, including intensive school-based mental health services and therapists in every K-12 building

NOVEMBER 2020

- Elementary schools piloted Terrace Metrics Mental Health Screener to all in-person 3rd, 4th and 5th graders

AUGUST 2021

- Added counselors and developed Social Emotional Learning Curriculum for all K-8 students
- Positive Behavioral Intervention and Support initiative was implemented in all schools. All staff will have Baseline Trauma Training

DIVERSITY AND EQUITY

SEPTEMBER 2019

- Partnered with Georgetown University and six other agencies to reduce disparities in discipline

AUGUST 2020

- Partnered With Rice Education and Consulting to improve diversity hiring and recruitment

OCTOBER 2020

- Created an Internal Diversity Equity Inclusion Leadership Team (DEILT)

NOVEMBER 2020

- Partnered with HCESC to offer diversity, equity and inclusivity training for staff and community

AUGUST 2021

- Our DEILT participated in a diversity training at the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center with the YWCA

FINANCIAL STABILITY

OCTOBER 2019

- Financial Stability Committee Group began

DECEMBER 2019

- Annual PAFR Financial Summary was created and mailed out to community

FEBRUARY 2020

- Increased focus on finding alternative sources of funding (crowdfunding, business partnerships, grants)
- NWLSD communicated with stakeholders regarding the impact of Hamilton County's property tax triennial update

MARCH 2021

- District leaders completed a One Needs Assessment to align NWLSD's Comprehensive Continuous Improvement Plan with the Strategic Plan

MAY 2021

- NWLSD communicated with stakeholders about the use of Federal COVID Relief Funds

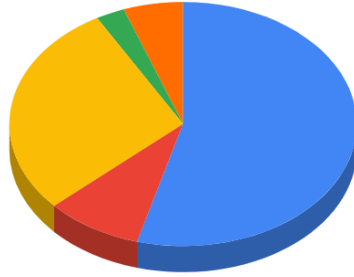
AUGUST 2021

- Master Facility meetings commenced

NWLSD'S FINANCIAL REPORT

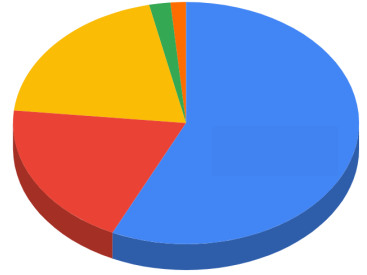
REVENUE & RESOURCES

Property Taxes:	54%
Other Local:	9%
State Foundation:	28%
Restricted State Aid:	3%
Other State:	6%



EXPENDITURES & SERVICES

Salaries:	57%
Fringe Benefits:	20%
Purchased Services:	20%
Supplies:	2%
Other:	1%



NWLSD EXPENDITURE PER PUPIL: \$9,057
STATE AVERAGE EXPENDITURE PER PUPIL: \$10,334

.08 CENTS PER DOLLAR ON ADMINISTRATION
.20 CENTS PER DOLLAR ON OPERATIONS
.72 CENTS PER DOLLAR ON INSTRUCTION

NWLSD'S SCHOOL FACILITIES PLAN

In August, Northwest Local School District began having discussions about its 2014 Master Facility Plan with its Community Advisory and Educational Visioning Teams. These teams met weekly to discuss how NWLSD can continue building and establishing equity across our district.



SCAN THE QR CODES TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR PLANS



SPENDING OUR ESSER DOLLARS

Below we have included a breakdown of how NWLSD has allocated our Federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds to each of the allowable activities.

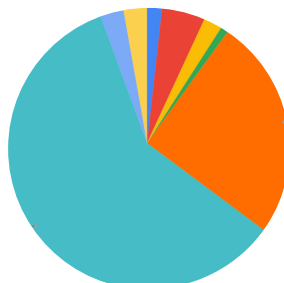


ESSER 1
\$2,734,646.35



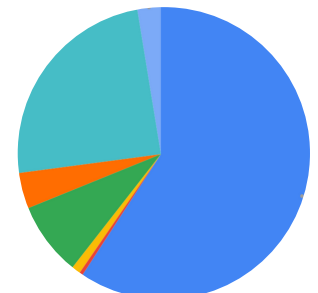
Unique Needs:	12.2%
Public Health Protocols:	12.2%
Extended Learning:	9.6%
Mental Health Supports:	0.2%
Educational Technology:	2.6%
Preparedness:	31.1%
Cleaning:	32.1%

ESSER 2
\$10,723,534.95



Learning Loss:	2.8%
Preparedness:	1.8%
Educational Technology:	5.2%
Mental Health Supports:	2.2%
Cleaning:	2.8%
Air Quality:	59.2%
Extended Learning:	0.8%
Other:	25.2%

ARP ESSER 3
\$24,100,642.21



Public Health Protocols:	2.6%
Learning Loss:	24.5%
Extended Learning:	4.0%
Mental Health Supports:	8.3%
Educational Technology:	1.0%
Preparedness:	0.4%
Unique Needs:	59.2%



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NWLSD'S FINANCIAL STABILITY



Amy M. Wells,
NWLSD CFO/Treasurer

28 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING



NWLSD maintains an Aa2 bond rating by Moody's, which is an indication of strong financial stability.



Northwest Local School District is dedicated to financial excellence. This year, NWLSD received the highest form of recognition in the area of government, accounting and financial reporting.



NWLSD has received awards for *Excellence in Financial Reporting* from ASBO International for 28 years.



NWLSD received the *Ohio Auditor of State Award with Distinction*, which is the highest level of service to Ohioians.