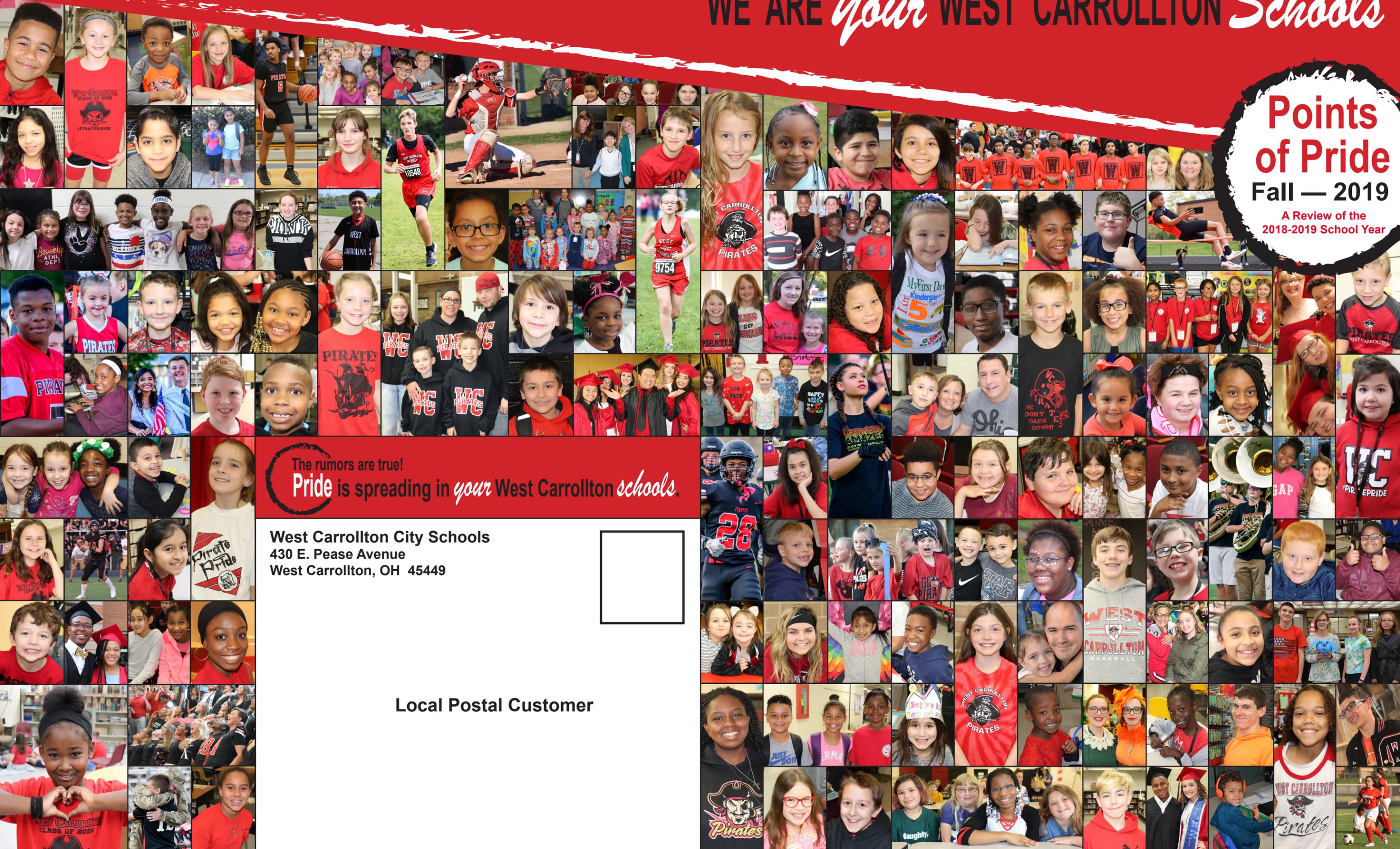


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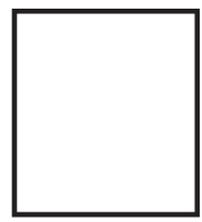
## Points of Pride Fall — 2019

A Review of the  
2018-2019 School Year



The rumors are true!  
**Pride** is spreading in *your* West Carrollton schools.

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# Your Superintendent

What does it look like to be a Pirate? The annual Points of Pride highlights the 2018-2019 school year. The pages will show you some of the faces and tell you some of the stories, but there's so much more to being a Pirate!

No matter where you are in West Carrollton Schools, you will see the focus is on kids! It starts in the morning when kids are greeted by their bus driver or welcomed to the classroom by their teacher. Teachers and support staff work together throughout the day to

provide every child the opportunity to succeed. The focus continues after school in athletics as well as performing arts. After school clubs and activities are offered to spark imaginations and offer an outlet for students with similar interests. Being involved is part of being a Pirate!

Our students learn about being safe, being responsible and being respectful to themselves and to others. It's all about being a Pirate!

I am proud to be a Pirate, and I hope you will join me in sharing that pride throughout the community!  
— Dr. Andrea Townsend



*"Whatever path you choose, I encourage you to always keep your mind open, continue to learn and continue to grow."*  
Superintendent,  
Dr. Andrea Townsend,  
addressed the Class of 2019  
during graduation.

# Your School Board Team!

Let's make it a win on and off the field!



Pictured left to right are:

On behalf of the West Carrollton School Board, I would like to welcome you all back to a very exciting school year!

We have new coaches and new players, but the same supportive heart that we have always had.

If you haven't heard, we have a bond issue on the ballot this year to build all new schools! The State

is contributing 81% so that we only have to pay 19% — what a bargain!

Tom, Don, Joe, Jon and myself will be around this fall going to games, performances and Open Houses. We can't wait to see you and, of course, all of the students! Let's make it a win on and off the field.

We wish everyone a great season and Go PIRATES!

— Leslie Miller  
School Board President

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Board Member  
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Board Member  
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# Your SCHOOLS

## Early Childhood Center Preschool and Kindergarten

**Walter Shade ECC**  
510 E. Pease Avenue  
West Carrollton, OH 45449  
937-859-5121, ext. 4400

Principal: Janet Schieman  
jschieman@wcsd.k12.oh.us

## Elementary Schools

**C. F. Holliday Elementary**  
4100 S. Dixie Drive  
Dayton, OH 45439  
937-859-5121, ext. 3300

Principal: Dorian Glover  
dglover@wcsd.k12.oh.us

**Harry Russell Elementary**  
123 Elementary Drive  
West Carrollton, OH 45449  
937-859-5121, ext. 5500

Principal: Brad Thobe  
bthobe@wcsd.k12.oh.us

**Harold Schnell Elementary**  
5995 Student Street  
West Carrollton, OH 45449  
937-859-5121, ext. 6600

Principal: Mindy Balster  
mbalster@wcsd.k12.oh.us

## Middle School

**West Carrollton Middle School**  
424 E. Main Street  
West Carrollton, OH 45449  
937-859-5121, ext. 7700

Principal: Doug Mescher  
dmescher@wcsd.k12.oh.us

## High School

**West Carrollton High School**  
5833 Student Street  
West Carrollton, OH 45449  
937-859-5121, ext. 8800

Principal: Candice Haffner  
chaffner@wcsd.k12.oh.us

The West Carrollton School district serves students in three communities — Miami Township, Moraine and West Carrollton. Preschool and all-day kindergarten classes at the early childhood center introduce each child to the beginning of their educational journey. Three elementary schools (including one with a year-round calendar), one middle school and one high school provide opportunities for every child to learn and succeed.

## What the Experts Say about *your* Schools

My favorite subject is math



and I'm really good at it! I like when we go on field trips.

— Alexis R., Class of 2030



I like math.

— Landen Y., Class of 2030

I like all of my friends.



— Rahma M.,  
Class of 2029

What I will miss most about West Carrollton is the staff.

They mean the world to me. My advice to younger students would be to take it seriously. Be respectful. Be patient. Take advantage of the variety of clubs and opportunities the high school offers. I am going to be enlisting in the Navy!

— Trinity Osterholz, Class of 2019



I like learning new things.

— Janah M., Class of 2030



I like math

and getting to play football and basketball.

— Jay'vyn T.,  
Class of 2028



I'm going to miss the choir program

and being part of the school musicals! I'm going to Sinclair.

— Trinity O'Dell,  
Class of 2019



School is easy when you're learning, being engaged and paying attention. I'm going to Sinclair.

— Caleb Hankins,  
Class of 2019



What do I like about school?

I like everything!

— Allie P., Class of 2028



## There were 194 Pirates in the Class of 2019



### Excellence in Education

The West Carrollton Education Foundation (WCEF) honors teachers annually for their contributions in the classroom. The WCEF selected PJ Babb from the High School and Jennifer Brown from the Middle School for the Excellence in Education award. The 2020 honorees will be from the early childhood center and elementary schools.



### Education Support Professional of the Year

is an honor that recognizes the contribution of employees who work in a support role. Pictured is preschool assistant, Robin Wampler (left), along with preschool teacher, Jenny Vogt. Mrs. Vogt nominated Mrs. Wampler for everything she does in the classroom to help students throughout the day!

**100%** of Education Support Professionals who work directly with students have a para-professional endorsement and educational aide permit from the State of Ohio. That includes Mrs. Wampler and other assistants and aides working in classrooms.

**265** Classroom Teachers

**201** Teachers have a Master's Degree including Ms. Babb, Ms. Brown and Mrs. Vogt!

**14** Average Years of Classroom Experience



**4.496**

**2019 Valedictorian, Jessica Orozco,** had a 4.496 Grade Point Average



Jessica's academic career put her at the top of the class! She also played violin with the orchestra for seven years and was the section leader for the second violins. She will be attending The Ohio State University with a full scholarship where she plans to study journalism and Spanish.

*"I am proud to have spent my entire school career in the West Carrollton School District!"*

— Jessica Orozco, 2019 Valedictorian

**4.491**

**2019 Salutatorian, Brandon Caissie,** had a 4.491 Grade Point Average



Brandon began taking college classes at the High School during his sophomore year. He continued at Sinclair either on campus or online during his junior year. He was involved with winter guard, choir and chamber choir. He will be attending Xavier University to study biology.

**5** graduates earned the President's Award for Educational Excellence, including Jessica and Brandon!

Future graduate, Ashton Davey, Class of 2021, is pictured with the High School We the People team that competed at the Ohio Supreme Court with students from across the state to showcase their constitutional knowledge. Ashton placed first in the district on the VFW Americanism in Government test.



Alexis Holdern, Abrielle Medcalf and Kayla Northcutt held up their letters of commitment to attend Wright State University. Every member of the graduating class signs a letter of intent to go to college or a university, attend a trade school, join the military or go directly to the workforce.

**139** graduates planned to attend a two-year college or four-year university.

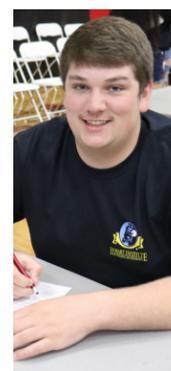
**14** graduates planned to join the military, including Kylan Berry. He plans to enlist in the Army.

*I enjoyed playing basketball and football and being part of the Spanish Club. My advice to new students would be not to slack because it will come back on you! Enjoy pep rallies and be part of the school spirit.*

— Kylan Berry, Class of 2019



**8** graduates planned to go to a trade school, including Castle Carter who will be attending Hobart to study welding.



**5** graduates received a

College Promise Scholarship, including Jessica Farmer. Jessica placed second in the state at the Business Professionals of America (BPA) competition in the Entrepreneurship category. She has already written a business plan! After attending Miami University, she wants to return to West Carrollton and open a coffee shop with special needs employees.

Jessica and Owen Cox earned their way to the national BPA competition by qualifying in state and regional competitions.

**39** graduates, including Jessica, Owen and Shanelle Parker, received a scholarship from the Dayton-Montgomery County Scholarship Program. Shanelle also received an Honors Diploma. She is going to the University of Kentucky to study kinesiology.



*My favorite memory from high school was when the senior class won the spirit award at a pep assembly. I'm going to miss my teachers, friends and getting to play basketball. My advice to other students is don't slack. Do your work because your grades do matter.*

— Shanelle Parker, Class of 2019

**38** graduates received an Honors Diploma.

Scholarships to 2019 CTC students totaled more than \$335,000!

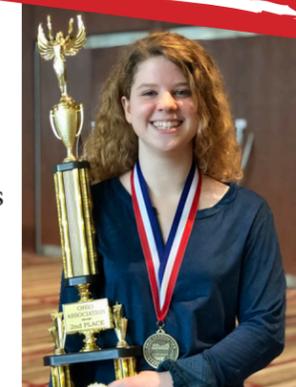
**24** graduates completed steps toward a career at the Miami Valley Career Technology Center (CTC).

**21** CTC graduates earned the Tech Prep scholarship to Sinclair.

**5** CTC graduates earned scholarships in their career specific area including Hannah Nibert who received a \$5,000 scholarship to the Modern College of Design and Natalie Aviles Torres who received a Treva and Robert Sidel \$2,000 scholarship.

**350** College Credit Plus hours

were taken by the Class of 2019, including Jessica Orozco, Brandon Caissie and Harmony Garber. Harmony was one of 37 Montgomery County High School students who received a degree from Sinclair in 2019 before receiving her High School diploma! She started taking college courses when she was 13 and earned her way into the West Carrollton class of 2019 as a junior at the age of 16! Harmony is headed to St. Leo University in Florida and plans to major in special education.



## What is the difference between a bond issue and an operating levy?

There are three different property tax options that school districts in Ohio may pursue:

- **Building Bond Issue** — The money generated from a building bond issue may only be used for new construction, renovation, upgrades to a facility, or related site improvements.
- **Operating Levy** — The money generated from an operating levy may only be used for the day to day operating costs of the district. Examples would be textbooks, technology, utilities, custodial services, transportation, facility maintenance, supplies, and personnel costs.
- **Permanent Improvement Levy** — The money generated from a permanent improvement levy may only be used for large maintenance or equipment costs. Examples would be a building roof, a new school bus, building security systems or parking lot pavement projects.

## 1 mill = \$388,000

- ▶ Open enrollment generated 2.94 mills of revenue equalling \$1,142,000.
- ▶ Medicaid generated 2.01 mills of revenue for an additional \$781,000.
- ▶ The combined revenues of \$1,923,000 = 4.95 mills.

**Closing Frank Nicholas Elementary** was not an easy decision, but it was a fiscally sound decision. The Board conservatively estimates savings of between \$700,000 and \$800,000 per year because of the closure. This amount is comparable to a 2 mill levy. A permanent reduction in expenditures of this amount extends the time the current operating levy (passed in 2016) can support the district without going back to voters for another tax increase.

## Grants

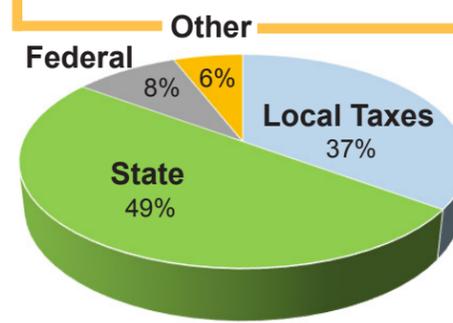
Local Grants .....	28,595
State Grants .....	338,833
<u>Federal Grants.....</u>	<u>2,412,099</u>
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$ 2,779,527</b>

The family of Michelle Krabacher, a teacher who taught Spanish in the district from 1982 to 2003, has created the Michelle Krabacher fund for foreign language enrichment. Michelle passed away in 2013, and the family wanted to honor her memory by providing an endowment to benefit foreign language students and teachers. Funds will be used to assist students with trips as well as enrich foreign language clubs and classroom experiences.



## Revenue

Local Taxes.....	37%
State .....	49%
Federal .....	8%
Other.....	6%
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>100%</b>



Sources of "Other Revenue" include pay to participate fees, tuition from other school districts for court placed students, tax abatements and open enrollment.

## 2018-19 Open Enrollment Revenue \$1,142,000

- **IF** a student living outside of the district applies for open enrollment, *that student must be in good academic standing and with no disciplinary issues.*
- The student will only be accepted into West Carrollton Schools **IF** there is room available in the grade level requested.
- **IF** the student is accepted, *the student's home district pays the cost of the child's education and the student's parent(s) must provide transportation.*

*The student's home district pays the cost of the child's education.*

The district has been working with the State of Ohio Facilities Construction Commission (OFCC) and architect Garmann Miller regarding the possibility of building new schools. The OFCC has done an independent study of all of our schools and has determined that maintenance and updates outweigh the costs of constructing new buildings.

Funds available from the state would pay for 81% of the **co-funded portion** of the building project.

Many surrounding districts have taken advantage of state funds to construct new buildings, but received far less financial support from the state.

A Community Forum was held last May. Details, including questions and answers, can be found at [westcarrolltonschools.com](http://westcarrolltonschools.com) under Building Project.

*... maintenance and updates outweigh the costs of constructing new buildings.*

The West Carrollton food service department is completely self funded! Food, equipment and personnel costs are all covered by the department. The treasurer's office receives and processes the department's revenue and expenditures, and the Department's finances and compliance requirements are reviewed annually by state auditors.

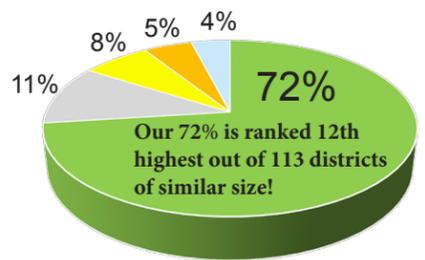


## The West Carrollton Education Foundation awarded over \$9,000 in grants

to West Carrollton teachers. Hallie Addington and Veronica Bullard were two of the teachers who received grants to enrich classroom experiences for their students.



## How a Dollar is Spent



- .72 Classroom Instruction
  - .11 Support and Administration
  - .08 Operations and Maintenance
  - .05 Transportation
  - .04 Food Service
- \$1.00

## Classroom Instruction

72¢ of each dollar of revenue is returned to students! This includes teachers, classroom supplies and equipment as well as support services including nurses, psychologists and media centers.

Teachers include C. F. Holliday teacher, Neil Manning, who is a WC graduate, and Middle School teacher, Robin Manning.



Our 72¢ is ranked 12th highest out of 113 districts of similar size!

# 72¢

Support and Administration

11¢ of each dollar pays for support and administration including human resources, curriculum, staff development, principals and assistant principals.

# 11¢

Operations and Maintenance

8¢ of each dollar of revenue is spent on building maintenance and custodial services as well as utilities.

# 8¢

Transportation

5¢ of each dollar pays for transportation costs, including fuel, drivers and training.

# 5¢

Food Service

4¢ of each dollar pays for food service costs.

# 4¢



**I love iReady! My favorite subject is math.**

— Dash C., Class of 2028

The iReady program gives Dash and his classmates the ability to monitor their progress throughout the year. Teachers use the data to provide instruction based on every child's academic needs in specific subject areas.



**I like the Enrichment Learning Center and playing basketball!**

— Mariem M., Class of 2028

Mariem, and other students identified as gifted, have the opportunity to attend the Enrichment Learning Center one day per week. Elementary students also have the opportunity to participate in Asset basketball with their classmates.

## Serving students from preschool to graduation!

The PAX Good Behavior Game provides instructional and behavioral health strategies used by teachers and students. Teachers and support staff utilize PBIS (positive behavioral interventions and supports) in the schools. Walter Shade, Harry Russell and Harold Schnell schools were recognized by the Ohio Department of Education for their work with PBIS. The Kindergarten Ninjas remind each other to be kind!



High school special needs students learn life skills in the classroom. Part of the classroom has been set up as an apartment with a living, dining and kitchen area. Proper cooking techniques, including hand washing and food handling, are some of the hands-on experiences students get to have in the classroom. There is also time for fun! Pictured below are students working out their game strategy with Job Coach, Paige Horn, while another student works on a crafts project.



Gifted Students Served .....	187
Disabled Students Served .....	637
English as a Second Language Students Served .....	225
Preschool Students Served .....	161



**Our focus is on every child!**

Children learn and behave in different ways. The district has resources to address the individual needs of every child.

Technology is an important tool available for every child and all of the staff.



## 2018-19 Total Enrollment 3,467 students



Over 360,000 hot lunches are served during the school year! Breakfast is available for all students from kindergarten through 12th grade.



Teachers and support staff are always happy to provide assistance and a smile!



School Resource Officer, Tiffany Osburn, joined the High School as part of the district's ongoing efforts to maintain a safe environment for students and staff. Building relationships with students and being part of the school culture is important to her. She took time out to attend the local Special Olympics so she could cheer for the Pirates!



There are three certified school nurses in the district as well as an LPN at each school. Nurses, including Nurse Roz at the Middle School, provide services to students including dispensing medications, monitoring dietary needs, reviewing vaccination records, recording allergies and, of course, putting on an occasional bandage!

Nurses also provide care to employees if an injury occurs which helps reduce health insurance and workers' compensation costs.

Nurse Roz helped to organize a Middle School Health Fair where students learned about topics including healthy relationships, personal hygiene and the negative effects of drugs on the body. Students were able to ask questions from representatives from the Wright State University-Miami Valley College of Nursing.



High school special needs students in the World of Work (WOW) program are introduced to job skills through community partnerships. The students do varied jobs such as cleaning, stocking shelves and assembling mailers at locations including Crayons to Classrooms and Southbrook Church. You might also find these students operating the Pirate Bay Cafe located in the High School!





## Pirate Robotics qualifies for the world competition!

Pirate Robotics formed team #6032 four years ago and has qualified to compete at the world competition three of those four years!

Pictured above are some of the team members who were working behind the scenes at the regional competition held at Wright State University. The team went on to the world competition placing 30th out of 68 teams. Find out more at [www.wcrobotics.org](http://www.wcrobotics.org) about Pirate Robotics and the team sponsors.



The team has six weeks to construct a robot that will face specific challenges in competition. The team learns about the challenges in January, then they start working!

*It really does mean a lot to see my team becoming a widespread part of the community. As always, it's a great day to be a Pirate.*  
— Ryan Brown, 2019 PIRATE Robotics Team Captain

## The world visits Harold Schnell Elementary!



Visitors from Japan wanted to visit an American school during a summer visit. Harold Schnell Elementary, which operates on a year-round calendar, was happy to welcome the group! The visitors shared stories about Japanese schools and showed students how to make hats using origami skills.



## Community PRIDE!

Students were surprised when, instead of the usual cafeteria staff, they were served lunch by firefighters from Moraine and West Carrollton! Community firefighters are always happy to be involved with students and offer safety programs throughout the year. There are even opportunities for kids to visit local firehouses! Did you know many of your firefighters are West Carrollton alumni?



Alumni football players and cheerleaders, along with the community, helped raise money so that Pirate quarterback, Tristan Dillon, could go to Dallas, Texas and play in the Blue-Grey All American Bowl Game.



**The PIRATE PRIDE never goes away!** Alumni players and cheerleaders showed their Pirate Pride during a game against the Miamisburg Vikings. They may not have had the winning score, but they had more players, they were the only team with cheerleaders and they filled the home stands with fans!

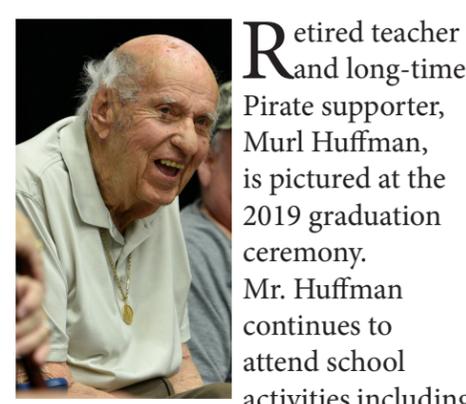


## Pirates are always winners!

Pirate Pride is growing! The Pirate Patch garden at the High School was once again recognized by Katie's Krops with the School of the Year Award! The produce is harvested then donated to St. Vincent de Paul.



Concerts, open houses, breakfasts, and carnivals are just some of the opportunities for families to be involved and show support for their child and school!



Retired teacher and long-time Pirate supporter, Murl Huffman, is pictured at the 2019 graduation ceremony. Mr. Huffman continues to attend school activities including the annual Senior Citizens' Breakfast that is hosted by the High School student council. Guests received a flower to take home and got to see a sneak peek of the spring musical!



District grandparents and senior citizens were treated to a holiday lunch in December. Students were involved in everything from serving the food to providing entertainment!



## Asset #1 — Family Support

Every school selects an **Asset Builder of the Month** for the School. One student is selected every month as the Asset Builder for the entire school district! That student is further recognized by Farmers and Merchants Bank and Miller Publishing!

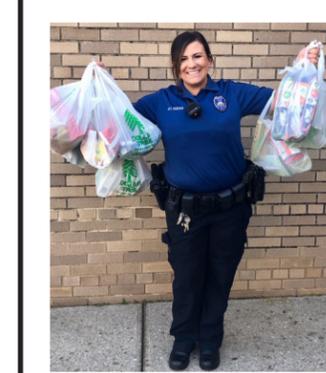


## Asset #9 — Service to Others

They may be opponents on the playing field, but after the Memorial Day tornadoes, Pirates went to Trotwood to help. Pictured are some of the football players who helped with a neighborhood cleanup.



## Your Best Friend is a PIRATE!!



**Two Days — Over 12,000 Items**  
The High School put out a call to parents, students, staff and community members for donations for tornado victims. School Resource Officer, Tiffany Osburn, brought in bags of baby items. Water, snacks and personal care items were also part of the over 12,000 items donated. There were so many items, a trailer had to be used to deliver them to the Red Cross Emergency Shelter.

Students at Frank Nicholas also brought in donations. Items were sorted and put in clear plastic bags that included personal care items and snacks.



## Breaking Records

The boys' swim team brought home the Greater Western Ohio Conference South Division Championship trophy. Luke Martin (pictured far left) qualified for the state competition.



Luke Martin was the fastest freshman in the state of Ohio in the 100 breaststroke.

The wrestling team surrounded Tyrone Keeton at a regional meet where he found out he qualified for state competition.



Tyrone Keeton was the first wrestler in 10 years to go to state!

## westcarrolltonathletics.com

Middle School track competitors, Ashyia Sales and Richard Stark (pictured below), broke their personal and school records! Ashyia jumped 15' 8" in the long jump and set the 400m school record at 1:07:07. Richard cleared 11' in the pole vault. Both of these athletes advanced to the state track meet!

High School athlete, Demesha Thomas, broke her personal record and the school record in the 400m three times in three weeks!



James Davis traded in his red and black for blue and gold when he signed with the Ancilla College wrestling program. Of course, he'll always be a Pirate! James plans to become an EMT-firefighter after winning lots of wrestling matches for the Chargers!



Houston Fine and Ethan Glasnow were recognized by the Miami Valley Tennis Coaches Association.



Softball player, Allie Parker was named American League Second Team. Kaelyn Goodwin and Riley White received an American League Special Mention.

Follow the Pirates on Twitter @WCPiratesAD



*I'm going to miss being involved in sports! I was in volleyball, swimming and track.*

— Gabrielle Baird, Class of 2019



Football quarterback, Tristan Dillon, played in the Blue-Grey All American Bowl Game where he got to play on the same field as the Dallas Cowboys. He just happens to be a Cowboys fan, so the experience was extra special.

*Thank you to everyone that made this trip possible in the community and beyond. I could not have done it without you. This trip has been amazing.*

— Tristan Dillon, Class of 2019

## Greater Western Ohio Conference South Offensive Player of the Year — 3.9 GPA

Tristan worked hard on the playing field and in the classroom. He was recognized by the Education Recognition Association five years in a row, graduated with a 3.9 GPA and received an Honors Diploma. Tristan celebrated with his mom when he signed to play football with Tiffin University.



Todd Bales loves to play soccer. He was the West Carrollton soccer team captain. His talents even took him to Amsterdam and Belgium where he attended the Ajax soccer program and played in the 2017 International Youth Tournament. He graduated with a 3.0 GPA. Todd already has fans, and they joined him when he signed with the University of the Columbias to play soccer.

## 3.9 GPA and Honors Diploma Recipient

Kyisa Champaco was surrounded by her family when she signed her commitment letter to attend Miami University-Hamilton to play basketball. Kyisa graduated with a 3.9 GPA and received an Honors Diploma. Now she is getting to play her favorite sport and attend college! She plans to become a dental hygienist.



## Greater Western Ohio Conference South Baseball Player of the Year — 3.77 GPA

*If my grades aren't good enough, I'm not going to get to play. That's always been a motivating factor.*

— Noah Martin, Class of 2019



Noah participated in baseball and soccer earning recognition from the GWOC in both sports. He was a member of the National Honor Society, student council and youth leadership board. He graduated with a 3.77 GPA and an Honors Diploma. Noah was joined by his family when he signed with Ashland University where he will continue to play baseball.

*These kids are doing it the right way. They're participating in sports while maintaining a high grade point average.*

— Evan Ivory, Athletic Director



## Award Winning!

The fall play, *The Odd Couple* (the female version) and the spring musical, *Seussical the Musical*, involved students on stage and behind the scenes! Both productions were honored at the Miami Valley High School Theatre Awards Showcase celebration held at the Schuster Center in June.

### *The Odd Couple* (the female version)

- **Paige Johnson-McGill** — Award of Merit for supporting actress in a play
- **Trinity Osterholz** — Award of Merit for student set design for a play
- **Jordan Webb** — Award of Merit for student props design for a play
- **Natayah Vanderpool** — Award of Merit for student director for a play

### *Seussical the Musical*

- Award of Merit for production of a musical
- **Mikayla Lewallen** — Award of Merit for lead actress in a musical
- **Macy Patton** — Award of Merit for lead actress in a musical
- **Noah Garrett** — Award of Merit for lead actor in a musical
- **Bradley Scearce** — Award of Merit for lead actor in a musical
- **Delaney Moore** — Award of Merit for supporting actress in a musical



I loved all my teachers because they're like having extra parents.

*I'm going to miss my friends and being part of the music program. My love of music is taking me to Lee University to study music therapy. My advice to students is never give up on your dreams. Stay on track.*

— Macy Patton, Class of 2019



Macy Patton was dressed for her role as Mayzie LaBird in *Seussical the Musical*! The cast included students from elementary through High School!

## Marching to Victory

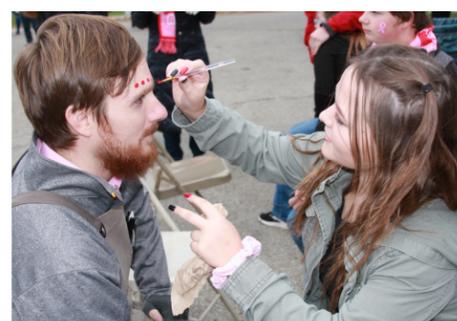
West Carrollton Marching Band and Color Guard

- **First Place** at **Centerville Invitational**
  - Outstanding General Effect
  - People's Choice Award
- **First Place** at **Lebanon Competition**
  - Best General Effect
  - Best Music



## Pirate Success Story

Alice Ripley, Class of 1981, returned to speak with choir students. She talked about her journey from the West Carrollton stage onto the Broadway stage where she won a Tony Award for Best Lead Actress in a Musical!



High School Visual Arts Teacher, Matt Reynolds, became the canvas during the annual Pink Out festivities.



*My favorite part of school is art class. I love art!*

— Lilliaena F., Class of 2030

Kindergarten students got to practice writing skills along with snowman drawing and critical thinking skills! *Never put a snowman in the microwave!*



The West Carrollton High School Orchestra, including Valedictorian, Jessica Orozco, participated in the 50th annual Evening of Strings. Over 400 students from nine area High Schools performed together for the grand finale! The orchestra performed at community events as well as the spring musical!

High School and Middle School students prepared music as part of an ensemble or as a soloist for OMEA adjudicated events earning Superior and Excellent ratings.

Orchestra students learned and performed over 50 pieces of music!



High School students perform at each elementary school to inspire a love of music and encourage students that will be entering the Middle School to be part of a music program!



It's all about the drama for these ladies! They were some of the cast members of *The Odd Couple* (the female version) who spent countless hours preparing for the fall play.

West Carrollton students, along with Lilliaena, get to combine their art projects with others areas of study including history and science and learning about animals (like elephants!). Studying other artists gives students inspiration!

