



OAK HILLS LOCAL SCHOOLS QUALITY PROFILE

2015-2016



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 our school district in areas that matter most to the Oak Hills community.

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SCHOOL DISTRICT

We are pleased to present the 4th edition of the Oak Hills Local School's Quality Profile, which provides a year-in-review of highlights and accomplishments during the 2015-16 school year.

This Quality Profile is a supplement to Oak Hills' state report card which contains demographic details and results of state tests. While test results are important, those results alone do not fully depict what make our district Highlander Strong!



Our mission: All students attending the Oak Hills Local School District achieve success by graduating with individual skills for career and college readiness and global competence.

Academics

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



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4-year graduation rate
94.3%

Other highlights:

- We offer the following world languages: Spanish, French, German, Mandarin Chinese and American Sign Language. J.F. Dulles, Oakdale and C.O. Harrison Elementary schools piloted first grade Spanish Immersion classrooms.
- Our three middle schools and Oak Hills High School are members of the International Studies School Network (ISSN). ISSN is a national consortium of innovative, cutting-edge schools focusing on global education. It includes a network of 35 innovative and highly effective schools from around the nation.
- OHHS continues to meet all of the requirements of the AdvancED Accreditation Commission and Board of Trustees and was accredited by the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement.



District Average Composite Scores
2015-2016

21.8

State average 22
National average 20.8

2015-16

English	21.1
Math	21.1
Reading	22.3
Science	22.2

31% of ACT tested students at OHHS met all 4 benchmarks for college-level coursework.





Class of 2016 BY THE NUMBERS



- ◆ 1 National Merit Commended Scholar
- ◆ 119 diplomas with Honors
- ◆ 222 OHHS students earned college credit through dual enrollment courses
- ◆ 739 students took at least one Advanced Placement (AP) test. 86.3% of the students enrolled in an AP course took the AP Exam (an 11% increase from 2015).
 - ◆ A 12% increase in the percent of total AP students with scores of 3 or higher (62.2%). This is 2% higher than the global average.

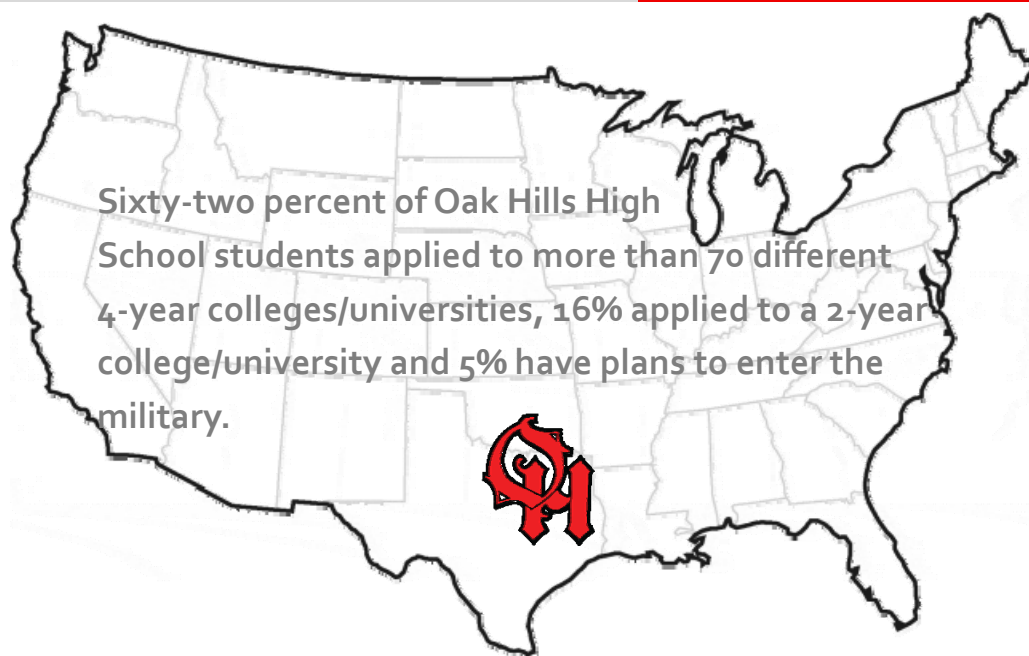
\$18.6 million dollars in scholarships were awarded to the Highlander class of 2016.



Oak Hills Offers:



- ◆ **10** College Credit Plus Courses—enables students to simultaneously earn college credit and high school credit for the course.  
- ◆ **30** Advanced Placement courses





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

District highlights include:

- Google Apps for Education district
- Google Apps For Education case study and pilot district
- 1:1 Chromebooks district-wide
- Chromebook take-home program grades 1-12
- eLearning team -eLcs across the district to support teachers

- Partnership with Xavier University to create a series of courses leading to a technology endorsement
- Online emergency medical form
- Bring your own device
- Sharing resources with other schools/districts
- Companion sites for courses



Elementary schools

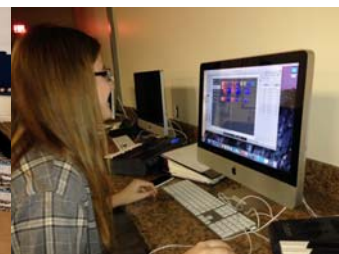
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- * eKIDS

Middle schools

- * Personal device passport
- * eKids
- * Online courses
- * eLearning clubs

High school

- * Online courses
- * eLearning clubs
- * Music technology club



The Oak Hills School District is the only district in Ohio to have two middle schools (Bridgetown and Rapid Run) designated as an Ohio and National School to Watch.



Mr. Brown's class at BMS



Fiscal Stewardship



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

Oak Hills Local School District



The Auditor of State Office presented the Oak Hills Local School District the Ohio Auditor of State Award with Distinction at the District's May 2016 Board meeting.

"Based upon your recently completed financial audit, it gives me great pleasure to inform you that the Oak Hills Local School District has received the Auditor of State Award with Distinction," Dave Yost, Auditor of State, commented. "Clean and accurate record-keeping are the foundation for good government and the taxpayers can take pride in the District's commitment to accountability."

Approximately nine of 10 school districts in Hamilton County assess a higher tax rate than Oak Hills Local School District.

Pictured here are Rian Beckham from the Auditor of State's Office and Steve Bain, Oak Hills Treasurer. Find updated financial information at ohlsd.us.



The district refinanced the RRMS debt obligation resulting in a savings of \$4.9 million to our constituents.



Only four districts (out of 23) in Hamilton County pay less in property taxes.



2015 District cost per pupil
State of Ohio Average: \$9,228

OAK HILLS: \$8,274

73% of funds are spent on classroom instruction.

State average spent on instruction: 67%



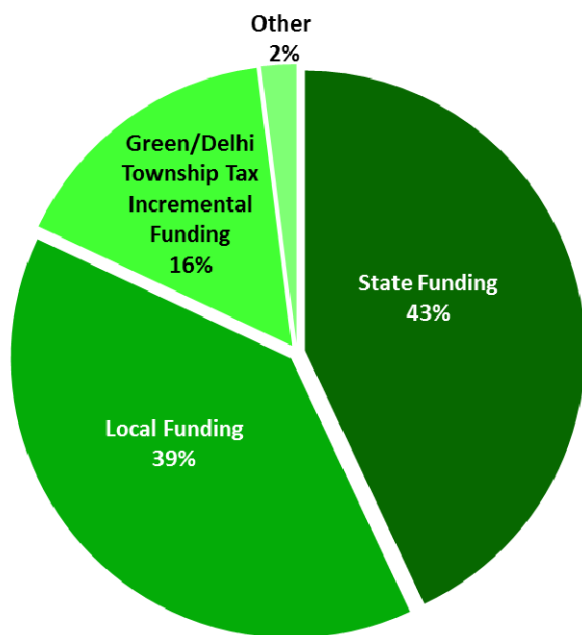
Energy Savings

The district partnered with Energy Optimizers, USA, to launch an ambitious \$4 million energy conservation project, as part of HB 264. The project is expected to generate at least \$373,835 in savings annually. The savings will be recognized in the district's general fund on utility and related maintenance costs, assuming usage consumption and utility rates remain at current levels. The project aims to improve the comfort, control and reliability of the district's HVAC and lighting systems while significantly reducing operational costs. In total, 11 buildings were improved, including the district's central office and the bus garage.

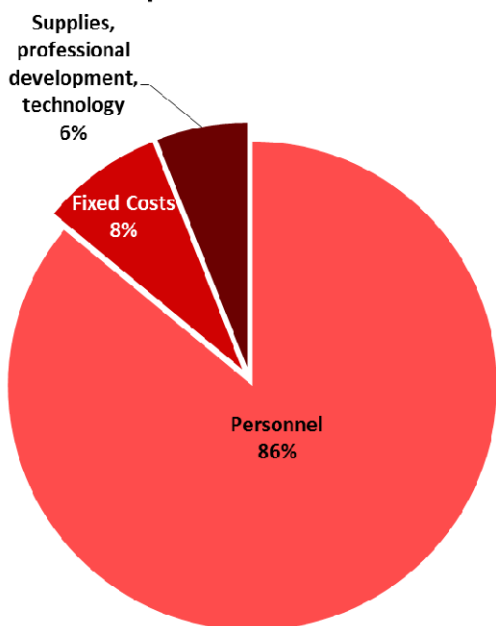


Expenditures and Revenues 2015-2016

OHLSD Revenue Fiscal Year 2016



OHLSD Expenditures Fiscal Year 2016



Oak Hills Local School District	
<i>School Taxes Paid Per \$100,000 Home</i>	
Hamilton County	
----- Collection Year 2016 -----	
School District	Annual Cost \$100k Home
FINNEYTOWN LSD	\$ 1,909
MARIEMONT CSD	\$ 1,748
ST. BERNARD	\$ 1,710
WINTON WOODS LSD	\$ 1,660
MADEIRA CSD	\$ 1,541
MT. HEALTHY CSD	\$ 1,503
LOVELAND CSD	\$ 1,476
READING CSD	\$ 1,457
DEER PARK CSD	\$ 1,443
CINCINNATI CSD	\$ 1,424
MILFORD	\$ 1,392
WYOMING CSD*	\$ 1,326
FOREST HILLS LSD	\$ 1,277
NORWOOD CSD	\$ 1,272
NORTH COLLEGE HILL SD	\$ 1,238
PRINCETON LSD	\$ 1,170
LOCKLAND CSD	\$ 1,157
NORTHWEST LSD	\$ 1,123
OAK HILLS LSD	\$ 1,100
THREE RIVERS LSD	\$ 1,025
SYCAMORE LSD	\$ 957
INDIAN HILL EVSD	\$ 776
SOUTHWEST LSD*	\$ 715

(* School District Income Tax - Not Included)

Oak Hills Local Schools is an excellent steward of taxpayer money.
We've only had one levy in 19 years!

Student Services

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



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We offer a continuum of services based on the individual students' needs.

STUDENTS IDENTIFIED AS GIFTED 21.9%

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES 15.8%

83 STUDENTS IDENTIFIED AS ESL



Access to Mental Health Services

Oak Hills has partnered with Cincinnati Children's Hospital to provide access to mental health services at all three of our middle schools as well as the high school.



Furry Friends

Oakdale Elementary partnered with Therapy Pets of Greater Cincinnati to set up a program at the school with animal-assisted activity visits to the specialized classrooms. These classrooms are designed to support the academic, social and emotional needs of individual students. Therapy teams consist of two registered handlers with TPGC and their dogs.



Comprehensive and Quality Care for the Student Athlete and Community

Trainer Services

Beacon Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine is the exclusive provider of trainer services for the Oak Hills Local School District. Through this partnership, Beacon Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine (along with Christ Hospital) contribute over \$250,000 annually (for a three year period).

Green Township Scottie Yard Playground at Oakdale Elementary



The OHAEF officially opened the Green Township Scottie Yard Playground on September 1, 2015. The donor mural, designed and painted by Oak Hills art teacher Jamie Schorsch and her art honor society students was installed in May 2016.

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



More About the Arts

Our district arts programs received numerous awards over the past year, in addition to showcasing student and faculty artwork in several exhibitions throughout the city, state and nation.

There are several performing and visual arts courses for all grade levels to enjoy including:

- High School: AP Art History, Art Appreciation, Art Foundations, Ceramics, Darkroom Photography, Digital and Alternative Photo, Drawing and Printmaking, Fashion Studio, Fine arts Drawing I, History of Art, Honors Enamels, Glass and Mosaic, Honors Fiber Arts, Painting and Mixed Media, Sculpture, Studio Art AP 2-D Design, Studio Art AP 3-D Design, Studio Art AP Drawing, Advanced Piano, Ambassador Jazz Band, AP Music Theory, Basic Music Theory, Creative/Performing Arts Capstone, Brass/Percussion Ensemble, Celebration Singers, Concert Choir, Concert Orchestra, Music History, Music Technology, Music Theatre Ensemble, Orchestral Strings Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Symphony Orchestra, Varsity Singers, Wind Ensemble, Woodwind Ensemble, Music Appreciation, Lady Scots Singers, Men's Ensemble.
- Middle School: general art, symphonic band, chorus, general music, music in the parks, talent shows, musicals, family art nights and guitar.
- Elementary School: general art, general music, orchestra, musicals, music in the parks, band and choir.

Oak Hills High School offers a Creative and Performing Arts program of study that allows students the opportunity to develop artistic competence, to prepare for a variety of majors and careers in the creative and performing arts, and to gain a broad cultural and academic background.

Find more information about Oak Hills art and design at ohhsart.wordpress.com.

Student Leadership and Activities



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

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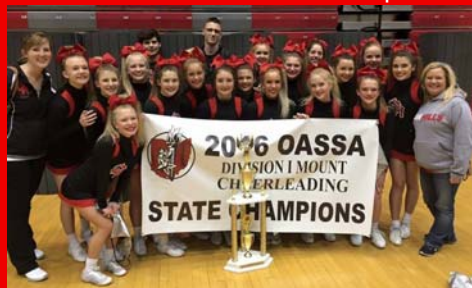
STUDENT ACTIVITIES

There are three student exchange opportunities in Guatemala, Germany and France.

We have 26 varsity athletic teams at the high school and 16 athletic teams at the middle school level.

There are a variety of activities and clubs at all levels. Among students in 4th-8th grade, 65% participate in student activities. In grades 9-12, 50% of students participate in student activities.

The OHHS Cheerleading Competition Team competed in the 24th Annual OASSA Cheer and Dance State Championships held in Columbus, Ohio in March 2016 and scored first place.



WALK OAK HILLS

The 2016 walk at OHHS supported several charities this year including:



- Adopt-a-Student: \$5,000
- Anderson Ferry Food Pantry: \$7,500
- Greater Cincinnati Homeless Coalition: \$5,000
- Leukemia/Lymphoma Society: \$2,770
- Green Township Senior Center: \$5,000
- Delhi Township Senior Center: \$5,000

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Students have the opportunity to supplement their classroom learning experiences by engaging in community service opportunities, extra-curricular and co-curricular activities.

High school students also have the opportunity to participate in a Capstone Project through our Programs of Study - STEM, International Studies, Creative and Performing Arts and Integrated Studies. Through the Programs of Study Initiative, students can focus in an area of interest and can earn college credit through the College Credit Plus program in partnership with the University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati State and Sinclair College. In addition, many of our senior students participate in internship programs with local business and organizations to assist them in their preparation for their college/university experience or chosen field of study.



We are pleased that many of our students district-wide participate in community service activities,

such as Relay For Life, Games for the Cure, Autism Walk, Teal Out and Annual OHHS Walk to raise funds for local charities and organizations.

Students at the high school can choose from over 48 different clubs and activities, while middle school students are offered 15 different clubs and activities.





One Hope, One Heart

The 5th annual One Hope, One Heart staff volleyball tournament raised more than **\$11,000** for district families experiencing hardship. Our success is a direct reflection of the **heart** in our staff, students and families! The school and community spirit displayed by students and families cheering on all of the teams was quite an uplifting scene! The night provided a fun, family atmosphere with a friendly, but competitive volleyball tournament. Congratulations to the Bridgetown Bobcats for taking home the "Golden" volleyball.

Something for everyone

Middle School

Some of the middle school activities include movie club, National Junior Honor Society, Chamber Strings club, yearbook club, student council, Newberry bookclub, model cars club, world language club, art club, photoshop club, Destination Imagination, Model U.N. club, Washington, D.C. club, annual musicals, builders club, student leadership academy, competitive writing team, You Be the Chemist, mural club, tech crew, bully busters, Spanish Club and German Club.

Elementary School

Some of the elementary school activities include: walking club, running club, cup stacking club, art club, props club, fitness club, math club, safety patrol, recyclers, creative writing club, school news (WSSN), book club, flag raisers, Destination Imagination, drama club, student council, family art and literacy nights, community outreach projects and intramural sports. Students are also able to participate in soccer, dance, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts through the PTA.



Parent and Community Involvement



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

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Donations by Community Partners

Oak Hills' parent teacher associations, Booster groups and Alumni & Educational Foundation are generous and caring groups of parent and community volunteers who share their time and talent for the welfare of all children. They help enhance classroom learning, provide equipment, resource materials, school programs and entertainment for our students and staff.



During the 2015-16 school year, IHARC, a sub-committee of the Oak Hills Band Association,

raised funds to support the \$2.6M renovation to the OHHS auditorium.



Employees of the Oak Hills Local School District participate in a yearly workplace campaign, supporting the United Way. In 2015 district employees gave \$8,064 to help support the need in our community. Staff also participate in internal fundraisers such as our Feed a Highlander program.



Congratulations to OHHS student, Holly Reuss, winner of the Ford Focus as part of our Focus on Education perfect attendance raffle in partnership with Walt Sweeney Ford.

60 business partners attended our third annual career fair at OHHS!



Hour of Code

In partnership with the University of Cincinnati and Code.org, OHHS was able to host the community event, "Hour of Code" which offered an introduction to computer science. The program was designed to demystify code and show that anyone can master the basics. Three other district buildings also held similar events.



In partnership with Mount St. Joseph University, 25 tons of electronics (5 trucks full!) were collected at Oak Hills High School

this spring. The items were recycled and kept out of the landfills. The effort would not have been possible without the help of the OHHS football team who unloaded the cars for guests.



Giving Back

The Oak Hills Local School District was busy working to end heart disease by raising money and awareness at eight of the district's schools. From jump rope to mat ball, each school held fitness events during the class day to raise money and help support heart health. As a result of student participation, these events raised \$31,947 for the American Heart Association. Great job, Highlanders!

Community Service

OHHS students raised awareness about hunger, homelessness, and taking action to help those in need in our community. The city-wide event, sponsored by the Greater Cincinnati Homeless Coalition and the Mayerson Service Learning Program, hosted 80 Highlander juniors and seniors, who slept in a shantytown in the school courtyard. The event helped to then spur on several food drives held at the high school. In other service project throughout the year, National Honor Society students completed 4,010 hours of community service!



Safety and Security

The safety and security of our staff and students is our #1 priority.



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Bullying Prevention

The school counselor, Amy Hauer, visited all K-2 classrooms at J.F. Dulles with the story, "Spookley the Square Pumpkin," in honor of Bully Prevention month in October 2015. Students designed their own pumpkin in any shape, size or color to add to the J.F. Dulles pumpkin patch in the hallway with the message, "We Stand Out Together." Dulles is also celebrating Unity Day next week in honor of bully prevention. Check out the creative and different pumpkins – all unique in their own special way like our students .



In addition to reporting bullying issues directly to building principals, students and parents can report bullying instances using our free district app. The app allows individuals to include photos as well as contact information, or you can remain anonymous.

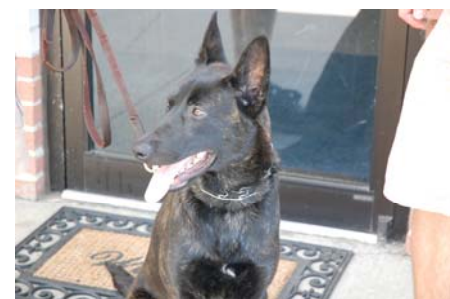
School Access Protocol

In the Oak Hills Local School District we strive to make sure that our schools are safe, caring, healthy and inclusive places in which to learn and work. Fire drills, visitor badges/sign in and other safety and security protocols and practices are important components of our commitment to maintaining a safe and secure school environment. All staff wear ID badges and visitors must be buzzed in and stop at the main office before entering any building, as doors are locked.

A.L.I.C.E.

The district has partnered with both Green and Delhi Township police departments to provide ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate) training to all students and staff. ALICE focuses on teaching critical thinking and proactive survival skills in active shooter scenarios. To see our training videos please visit our website. <http://ohlsd.us/elementary-safety-training/>

<http://ohlsd.us/asrtv/>



Meet Atticus

In 2013 the district introduced 60-pound Dutch-Shepherd, Atticus, to the safety team. He spends his days at OHHS searching inside the building, hallways and the parking lot. He's been taught to be friendly with staff and students, but was trained not to be a distraction to students on campus. Atticus is trained to detect drugs and fire arms and can take down an attacker by command of his handler.

About the Highlanders



#HighlanderStrong #ChooseOakHills

Oak Hills Local School District

District Vision

The Oak Hills Local School District will be recognized for innovative services, outstanding teaching and high student growth and achievement.

Staff Leadership

- 82% of teachers have a Master's degree or higher.
- Through a partnership with Learning Forward we offer targeted and diversified professional development opportunities to our staff.
- Students are prepared to be globally competent and ready for the global innovation age as a result of our participation in the International Studies Schools Network (ISSN).
- Our partnerships with various school exchange programs allow us to bring global perspectives to our students in the classroom.



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Congratulations to our 2016 PTA educators of the year!

We hire the best and the brightest! We welcomed several new teachers and staff to the Highlander family in 2015.

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Bridgetown Middle School

3900 Race Road
 Cincinnati, OH 45211
 513-574-3511
 Principal: Adam Taylor



Delhi Middle School

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 Cincinnati, OH 45238
 513-922-8400
 Principal: Scott Toon

Rapid Run Middle School

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 Cincinnati, OH 45238
 513-467-0300
 Principal: Travis Hunt



C.O. Harrison Elementary

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 Cincinnati, OH 45233
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 Principal: Brian Connors

Delshire Elementary School

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 Cincinnati, OH 45268
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 Principal: Mark Winters

J.F. Dulles Elementary

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 Cincinnati, OH 45248
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 Principal: Beth Riesenberger

Oakdale Elementary School

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 513-574-1100
 Principal: Geoff Harold

Springmyer Elementary School

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