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New report defines educational value of schools
Wyoming City Schools Leads Effort with Area Districts

Wyoming, OH – August 15, 2013 – Today, Wyoming City Schools joins more than 20 school districts throughout Ohio to release a robust companion to the state’s Local Report Card. Called a Quality Profile, the report includes additional accountability measures that define a high-quality education and are not captured by the state report card.

This Quality Profile helps characterize the overall educational value of public education beyond standardized testing. The content is based on the 10 categories of academics, arts, commitment to improvement, digital learning, fiscal stewardship, parent and community involvement, staff leadership, student activities, student leadership and student services.

More than a year ago, 10 Southwest Ohio districts – Forest Hills, Indian Hill, Loveland, Madeira, Mariemont, Mason, Milford, Oak Hills, Sycamore and Wyoming – surveyed residents to determine factors they value in their child’s education that were not represented on the state report card. The result is a collaborative report that shares an expanded story of each participating school district.

“The idea for the Quality Profile began when superintendents from several high-performing districts in our region recognized the need to demonstrate the value of public education beyond state test scores,” said Dr. Sue Lang, superintendent of Wyoming City Schools.

“In Wyoming, we have developed an educational model that fosters academic rigor, the arts, athletics and leadership opportunities for all of our students. Our commitment to a well-rounded experience enriches the learning environment. I, like all of the superintendents involved in this project, hope that our communities will utilize the Quality Profile to better characterize the value of our districts.”

Now adopted by more than 20 districts in Ohio, the report is supported by the Alliance for High Quality Education, an education consortium that works to improve educational opportunities for students and represent member districts on matters of educational policy and funding.

The state report card is scheduled for release later this month.

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Wyoming City Schools is a public school system serving approximately 2,000 students in five schools in a suburb of Cincinnati, OH. Wyoming City Schools are consistently recognized for excellence in education. On multiple occasions, the high school has been named one of the top 100 high schools in the country by U.S. News & World Report and Newsweek magazines. Wyoming City Schools have received a rating of Excellent or Excellent with Distinction by the Ohio Department of Education for more than 12 years.