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Advancing our children, advancing our workforce, advancing our region.



THIS HAS BEEN AN EXCITING YEAR
FOR CHILDREN AND STUDENTS
IN THE DAYTON AREA

Partners across Montgomery County have put forward and acted on great ideas about how we can meet our region's goal of ensuring that by 2025, 60 percent of our workforce has a college degree or has earned a certificate attesting to a skill.

If we stick with our strategies, Dayton will meet that target – and we'll have the educated workers required to attract new businesses and keep well-paying jobs in our community.

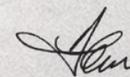
The efforts that so many people and institutions are working on recognize that the world has changed. Good jobs in the 21st century require higher levels of education and new skills. There is no magic bullet to achieve our bold ambitions.

Dayton Mayor Nan Whaley says it best:

"We have to provide leadership and resources to support a new culture – a culture where all children graduate from high school and are prepared to get a college degree or earn advanced training proving that they have a skill."

She and leaders throughout Montgomery County are dedicated to helping that culture take hold.

Join us in celebrating the Dayton region's hard work and successes ... successes that benefit our children, their families and our community. They happened because of Dayton's inventiveness and collaborative spirit ... and because of your support.



Thomas J. Lasley II, Executive Director
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Read On! Dayton Region launched in August as part of the Dayton community's efforts to raise 3rd-grade students' reading scores. All of Montgomery County's school superintendents support the campaign.

This year was filled with important achievements, new partnerships and great events. All of this work is advancing our goal of growing a highly educated workforce that can compete with any community anywhere in the world.

**THE DAYTON REGION
IS WORKING TOGETHER TO:**

- get more children – especially low-income children – in high quality preschool;
- make sure that every child comes to kindergarten ready to learn;
- guarantee that every child reads on grade-level in 3rd grade;
- set up every 9th-grader for success in high school;
- ensure that every child graduates from high school.

Read On! here and learn about all that's happening in the Dayton region!



The Lumina Foundation recognized Dayton for its commitment to creating a more educated workforce and chose the region as one of just 20 communities nationally that it will assist in this work.

ReadySetSoar held its fourth "Readiness Summit," bringing together 400 preschool providers, educators and community leaders to learn more about the impact of high quality preschool, attendance awareness programs, reading readiness and more.



The National Campaign for Grade Level Reading, begun by the Annie E. Casey Foundation, recognized the Dayton region's initiatives to get more children reading on grade level and named it a "Pacesetter Community."



Passport to Kindergarten, which is generously supported by the PNC Foundation, continues to grow. Now in its 4th year, it has helped improve the kindergarten readiness of more than 1,200 preschoolers.

8 communities have created "Readiness Coalitions" made up of preschool professionals and educators. The groups work together on curriculum and training to help more children come to school ready to learn.



4 high-poverty high schools began piloting a program to ensure that 100% of their seniors complete the FAFSA, a prerequisite for receiving college financial aid.

The Dayton region's Read On! campaign kicked off a countywide effort aimed at getting children and families to read together everyday. Supporters received a Super Readers "Toolkit." Montgomery County's 16 school superintendents are promoting the effort.



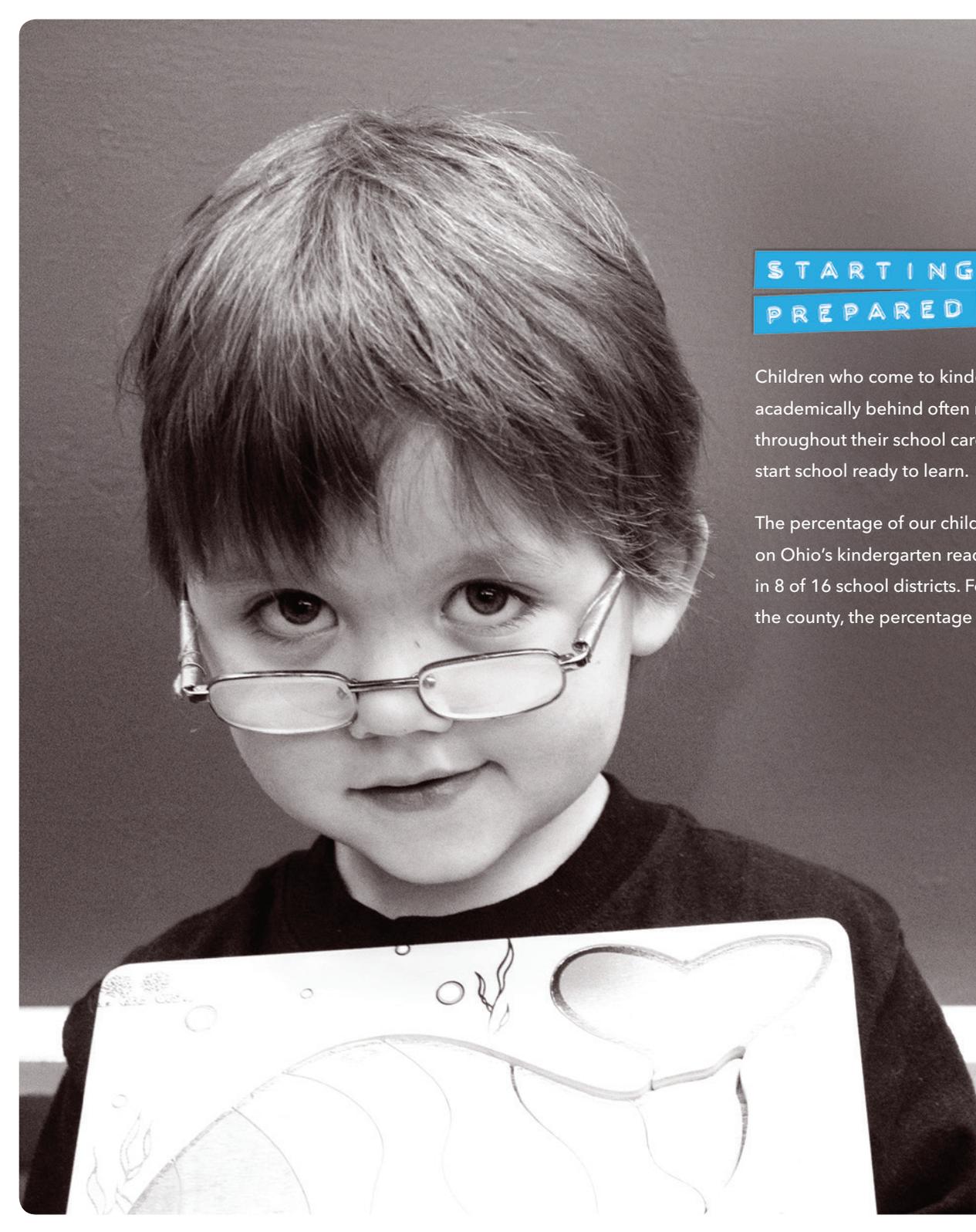
Thanks to leadership from 4C for Children, our region now has 80 Star-Rated preschool programs, up from 65 in 2012. Our goal is 150 by 2015.



HOW OUR KIDS ARE DOING

The Dayton region's schools and colleges are committed to publicly reporting data that measure how our kids are doing.

The statistics on the following pages are important indicators of whether our children are on track in school ... and whether our community is on track to growing a more competitive workforce.



STARTING SCHOOL PREPARED

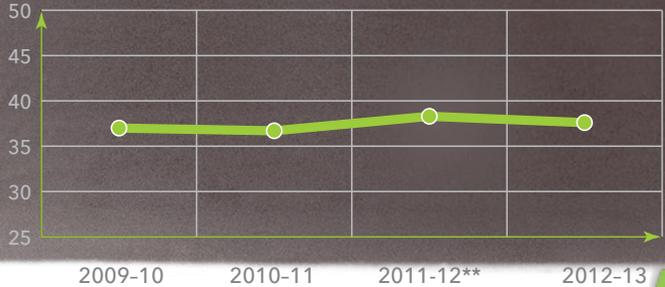
Children who come to kindergarten academically behind often must play catch up throughout their school career. Every child must start school ready to learn.

The percentage of our children who scored well on Ohio's kindergarten readiness test increased in 8 of 16 school districts. For all children across the county, the percentage slipped.

Percentage of students scoring "ready for kindergarten" by school district*

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
Brookville	41.5%	40.7%	55.9%	51.5%
Centerville	59.4%	61.2%	54.9%	60.5%
Dayton	20.7%	19.1%	20.8%	23.5%
Huber Heights	30.3%	34.0%	29.3%	33.9%
Jefferson Township	25.8%	18.2%	21.4%	33.3%
Kettering	47.9%	50.3%	50.6%	44.8%
Mad River	31.7%	35.1%	37.6%	38.8%
Miamisburg	38.6%	38.7%	40.5%	41.1%
New Lebanon	23.4%	24.7%	31.3%	29.9%
Northmont	42.5%	46.1%	47.2%	44.3%
Northridge	24.1%	24.0%	26.7%	21.7%
Oakwood	72.8%	71.8%	74.4%	82.6%
Trotwood-Madison	29.1%	27.7%	28.9%	24.6%
Valley View	70.4%	64.0%	66.2%	51.7%
Vandalia-Butler	43.5%	39.5%	48.2%	44.7%
West Carrollton	30.3%	31.0%	28.7%	32.7%
Montgomery County	36.5%	36.8%	38.3%	37.6%

County average includes charter schools and school districts.



Source: Ohio Department of Education

*This is the percentage of students scoring in "Band 3" on the KRA-L, a required kindergarten readiness assessment used by the State of Ohio.

**The 2011-12 average doesn't reflect data that are pending from five charter schools.

5 to Thrive is a local resource to help parents get their children kindergarten ready. Get in touch at [Facebook.com/5toThrive](https://www.facebook.com/5toThrive).

BUILDING STRONG READERS

Reading well in 3rd grade is an important predictor of future success in school. That's why Ohio has adopted a "Third-Grade Reading Guarantee." Starting in the 2013-14 school year, most children who are not reading proficiently in 3rd grade will not be promoted.

Almost all of our school districts – 13 of 16 – increased the number of 3rd-grade children who passed Ohio's reading proficiency test. But overall the percentage of children who passed fell – and we are still behind the statewide average.

Read On! Dayton Region is a local resource to help students become Super Readers. Stay connected at [Facebook.com/ReadOnDaytonRegion](https://www.facebook.com/ReadOnDaytonRegion).

Percentage of students at or above the proficient level on the 3rd-grade reading Ohio Achievement Assessment (OAA)

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
Brookville	88.0%	90.0%	94.0%	96.8%
Centerville	92.6%	91.5%	91.1%	94.0%
Dayton	52.6%	55.2%	54.8%	54.7%
Huber Heights	86.8%	84.5%	81.8%	82.8%
Jefferson Township	72.7%	55.0%	50.0%	60.9%
Kettering	85.9%	87.1%	88.0%	88.2%
Mad River	77.4%	77.0%	74.0%	78.3%
Miamisburg	84.1%	85.8%	85.4%	88.4%
New Lebanon	84.0%	88.5%	85.7%	80.2%
Northmont	91.0%	89.8%	87.6%	89.3%
Northridge	69.9%	73.0%	81.7%	75.2%
Oakwood	98.1%	98.8%	97.2%	98.6%
Trotwood-Madison	73.1%	67.4%	52.9%	71.4%
Valley View	88.7%	83.9%	87.0%	90.6%
Vandalia-Butler	90.2%	88.9%	88.5%	90.4%
West Carrollton	76.0%	80.9%	75.7%	82.3%
Montgomery County	77.0%	78.2%	76.8%	78.6%

County average includes charter schools and school districts.

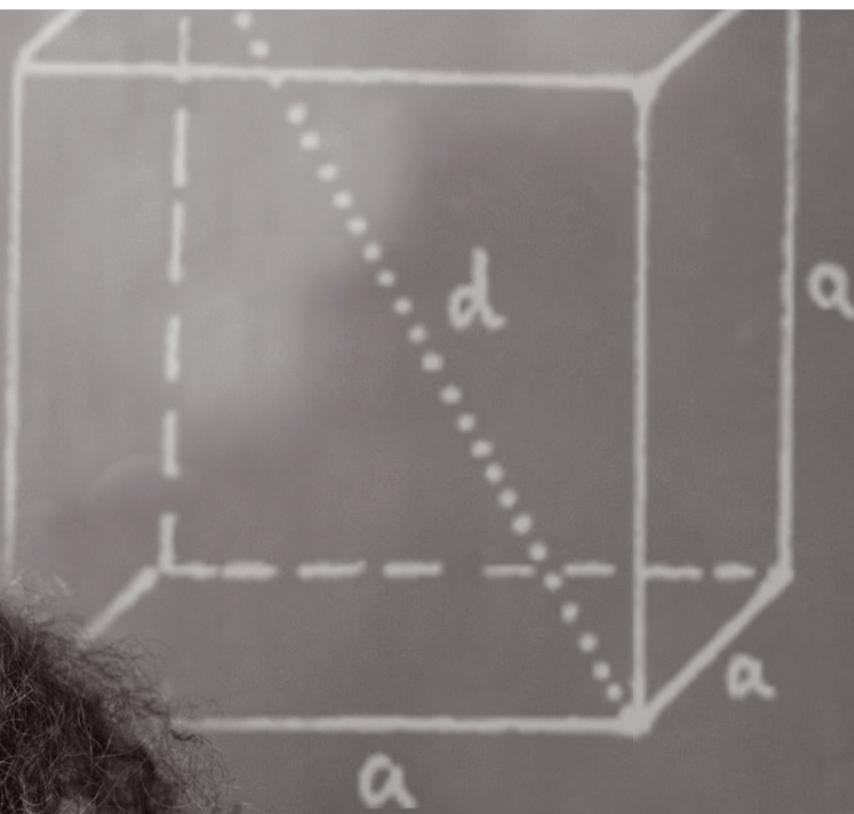


Source: Ohio Department of Education

MASTERING MATH

Children who haven't learned the fundamentals of math have difficulty in higher-level math courses, especially in algebra. Studies show that children who do well in algebra are more likely to succeed in college.

Seven of Montgomery County's 16 school districts saw increases in the percentage of 4th-graders who were proficient in math.



$$\frac{(a+b+c)}{2}$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

Percentage of students at or above the proficient level on the 4th-grade math Ohio Achievement Assessment (OAA)

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
Brookville	98.2%	97.0%	94.4%	91.2%
Centerville	86.3%	89.7%	89.2%	85.7%
Dayton	41.3%	46.1%	45.3%	46.8%
Huber Heights	78.6%	81.3%	74.6%	70.7%
Jefferson Township	52.0%	40.9%	28.6%	33.4%
Kettering	83.5%	85.0%	91.7%	90.9%
Mad River	76.2%	81.7%	84.4%	85.0%
Miamisburg	81.8%	83.0%	86.2%	81.5%
New Lebanon	85.1%	89.8%	80.0%	84.6%
Northmont	87.7%	87.3%	85.6%	83.6%
Northridge	69.3%	63.7%	78.7%	72.0%
Oakwood	96.2%	96.5%	97.0%	97.9%
Trotwood-Madison	64.6%	57.0%	52.6%	49.7%
Valley View	91.9%	90.7%	79.7%	85.7%
Vandalia-Butler	91.6%	91.7%	88.3%	91.1%
West Carrollton	73.4%	82.8%	79.3%	77.6%
Montgomery County	72.2%	74.2%	74.6%	73.2%

County average includes charter schools and school districts.



Source: Ohio Department of Education

Want to help your student? KhanAcademy.com is a free resource for everything from addition to calculus, and so much more.

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MAKE
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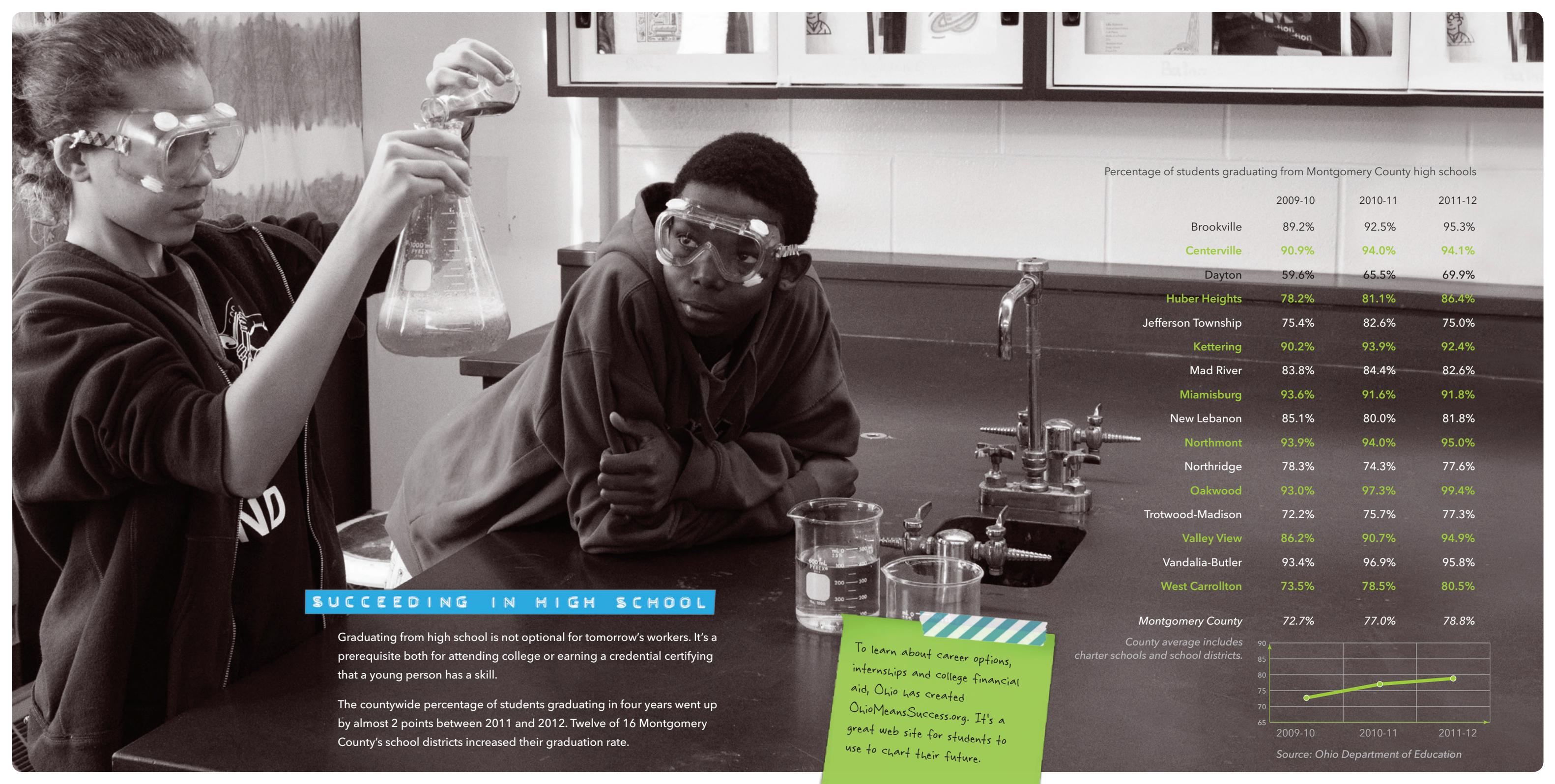
DREAM.
Think.
DO!

POSSIBLE.



THE BIG GOAL

By 2025, **60 percent** of our workforce will have a college degree or a certificate attesting to a skill.



SUCCESSING IN HIGH SCHOOL

Graduating from high school is not optional for tomorrow's workers. It's a prerequisite both for attending college or earning a credential certifying that a young person has a skill.

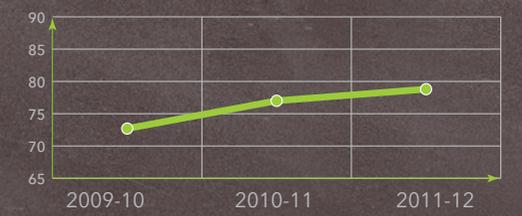
The countywide percentage of students graduating in four years went up by almost 2 points between 2011 and 2012. Twelve of 16 Montgomery County's school districts increased their graduation rate.

To learn about career options, internships and college financial aid, Ohio has created OhioMeansSuccess.org. It's a great web site for students to use to chart their future.

Percentage of students graduating from Montgomery County high schools

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Brookville	89.2%	92.5%	95.3%
Centerville	90.9%	94.0%	94.1%
Dayton	59.6%	65.5%	69.9%
Huber Heights	78.2%	81.1%	86.4%
Jefferson Township	75.4%	82.6%	75.0%
Kettering	90.2%	93.9%	92.4%
Mad River	83.8%	84.4%	82.6%
Miamisburg	93.6%	91.6%	91.8%
New Lebanon	85.1%	80.0%	81.8%
Northmont	93.9%	94.0%	95.0%
Northridge	78.3%	74.3%	77.6%
Oakwood	93.0%	97.3%	99.4%
Trotwood-Madison	72.2%	75.7%	77.3%
Valley View	86.2%	90.7%	94.9%
Vandalia-Butler	93.4%	96.9%	95.8%
West Carrollton	73.5%	78.5%	80.5%
Montgomery County	72.7%	77.0%	78.8%

County average includes charter schools and school districts.



Source: Ohio Department of Education

TAKING THAT STEP TO COLLEGE

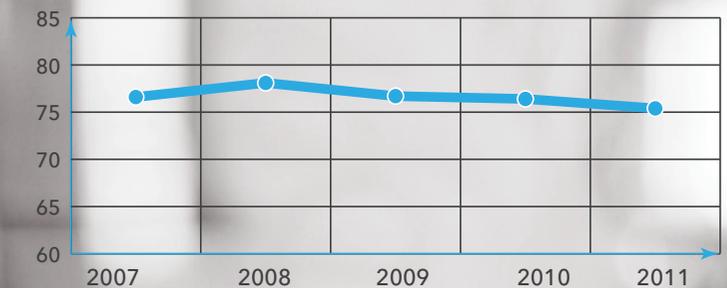
Making the decision to enroll in college is intimidating for many young people. Especially for children whose parents did not go to college, this is a major achievement.

The latest data from 2011 show gains in this number in Brookville, Centerville, Dayton, Jefferson Twp. and New Lebanon. Overall, the percentage of students enrolling in college within 2 years after graduation dropped.

The Dayton Foundation is full of scholarship resources. Visit DaytonFoundation.org/scholars to learn more.

Average % of students in college any time during the first two years after high school

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Brookville	74.8%	77.0%	81.0%	70.3%	78.3%
Centerville	87.0%	89.6%	88.0%	88.4%	88.9%
Dayton	70.0%	69.7%	68.6%	68.0%	70.5%
Huber Heights	74.1%	76.5%	73.1%	75.7%	72.7%
Jefferson Township	66.0%	78.4%	72.1%	66.0%	67.9%
Kettering	75.4%	78.5%	79.2%	75.0%	74.1%
Mad River	69.4%	71.7%	68.4%	74.0%	66.5%
Miamisburg	79.6%	77.5%	78.3%	78.6%	76.6%
New Lebanon	60.0%	69.7%	65.2%	69.4%	73.8%
Northmont	80.8%	82.5%	81.7%	78.0%	76.5%
Northridge	52.4%	54.4%	48.4%	57.5%	55.2%
Oakwood	94.0%	94.5%	93.5%	92.8%	91.8%
Trotwood-Madison	73.8%	78.2%	77.2%	79.1%	72.1%
Valley View	75.0%	70.7%	68.9%	69.3%	66.9%
Vandalia-Butler	81.0%	88.0%	79.9%	83.5%	80.5%
West Carrollton	66.2%	62.2%	71.6%	68.3%	65.9%
Montgomery County	76.6%	78.1%	76.7%	76.4%	75.4%



Source: National Student Clearinghouse

MAKING THE GOAL - A COLLEGE DEGREE

College degrees translate to earning power. The Dayton region had a noteworthy gain in the percentage of students earning a degree within 6 years after graduating from high school.

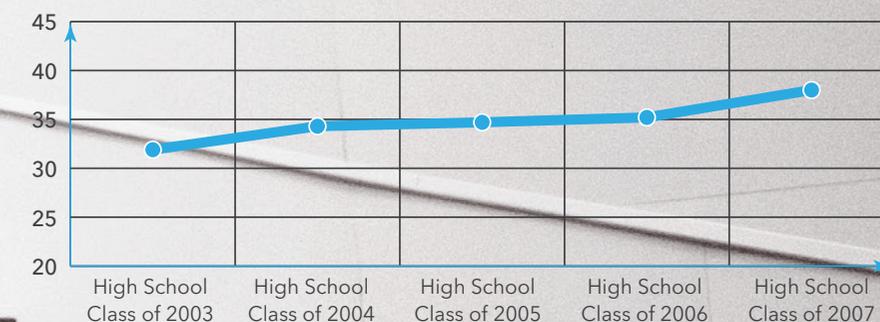
Of the region's 16 school districts, 12 saw jumps.

Overall, this number is up almost 3 points to 38%. But by 2018, experts say that as many as 2 out of every 3 jobs will require a degree or a post-high school credential.

Many colleges and certification programs have a career services department. Their job is to help new grads get started.

Percentage of students graduating from college within 6 years

	High School Class of 2003	High School Class of 2004	High School Class of 2005	High School Class of 2006	High School Class of 2007
Brookville	37.0%	27.9%	39.3%	36.7%	41.7%
Centerville	58.2%	59.9%	57.4%	60.3%	57.3%
Dayton	12.2%	12.6%	11.5%	13.2%	18.7%
Huber Heights	28.1%	24.0%	27.9%	27.1%	29.9%
Jefferson Township	18.2%	7.4%	12.3%	10.2%	21.3%
Kettering	34.5%	37.6%	36.5%	40.2%	38.4%
Mad River	18.7%	23.5%	25.6%	24.9%	27.8%
Miamisburg	29.1%	26.0%	40.3%	36.2%	41.0%
New Lebanon	23.1%	25.0%	28.9%	27.8%	25.3%
Northmont	39.2%	47.0%	41.8%	40.8%	43.6%
Northridge	12.2%	15.7%	10.9%	14.3%	16.7%
Oakwood	69.1%	74.6%	68.8%	68.6%	73.5%
Trotwood-Madison	16.7%	16.1%	21.8%	25.0%	24.4%
Valley View	28.6%	38.1%	35.9%	40.0%	41.7%
Vandalia-Butler	47.6%	46.3%	44.0%	46.9%	48.7%
West Carrollton	27.4%	22.9%	26.2%	19.7%	23.2%
Montgomery County	31.9%	34.3%	34.7%	35.2%	38.0%



Source: National Student Clearinghouse

CHILDREN ARE THE FUTURE...
THE DAYTON REGION
IS PLANNING FOR THEIR SUCCESS

CareSource Foundation announced its support for an intensive home-visiting program for low-income families. The two-year pilot program – known as SPARK – helps moms prepare their preschoolers for kindergarten.

More than 20 business and community leaders are banding together to investigate initiatives that Dayton area businesses can champion that will benefit children and help create a more educated workforce.

Community leaders are studying best practices related to a “Preschool Promise” for Montgomery County children. They’re reviewing funding possibilities while also considering how to promote high quality preschool programs.

Miami Valley Child Development Centers and Dayton Public Schools are growing their partnership and expanding their Summer Bridge home-visiting program. Families get guidance about how to help their children keep learning over the summer.

United Way of Greater Dayton is working to increase the number of Children Defense Fund Freedom School sites. Designed to prevent children from backsliding academically during the summer, this 6-week program provides enrichment activities for low-income K-8 students.





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