

Jackson-Milton Local Schools Quality Profile



We soar for excellence in education, by placing an immense amount of importance on providing an opportunity for all students to be successful and reach their full potential. Not only do we soar for excellence in academics, but in all domains of students' life. Whether it be in athletics, art, music, or furthering their love for academics with clubs to join. We also soar for promoting a positive social/emotional atmosphere to help ensure learning is fun, secure, and welcoming to all. This profile demonstrates the qualities that Jackson-Milton Local Schools value and soar to provide to our students and throughout our community.



Academics

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



2015 Momentum Award recipient – Jackson-Milton Local Schools

The Momentum Award is presented by the State Board of Education and recognizes schools for exceeding expectations in student growth for the year. Schools must earn straight A’s on all Value-Added measures on the report card. The school or district must have at least two Value-Added subgroups of students, which includes gifted, lowest 20% in achievement, and students with disabilities.

- **Jackson-Milton Elementary –**
 Jackson-Milton Elementary has received the **5 Star Quality Rating** from the Ohio Departments of Education and Job and Family Services.
 - **Step Up to Quality (SUTQ)** is Ohio’s quality rating and improvement system for licensed learning and development programs. SUTQ recognizes learning and development programs that exceed licensing health and safety standards. Preschools can receive 1-5 Stars based on various criteria in areas ranging from curriculum to family involvement. Jackson-Milton’s preschool holds an AM and PM session five days a week and follows the Jackson-Milton school calendar.

- **Jackson-Milton Middle School/High School**
 - **School of Promise- 2011/2012-MS**
 - **2014, 2015 & 2016 US News - High School Bronze Key Award winner**
 -Schools are ranked based on their performance on state-required tests and how well they prepare students for college.
 - High Performing School of Honor **2014-HS**
 - School of Promise-**2010/2011,2011/2012,2014-HS**
 - ACT (Average Scores of past three years)
 - English: 20.16
 - Math: 20.3
 - Reading: 21.53
 - Science: 21.76
 - Composite: **21.06**
 - World languages offered - Spanish
 - Number of dual-credit opportunities -
 - Our students can take one of **Six** CCP courses for an opportunity to earn college credits through Eastern Gateway, Youngstown State or Kent State University.



Arts

We encourage all students to pursue their creative side by participating in some type of arts program. Students learn how to problem-solve and be critical thinkers through the use of their creativity.

- **Jackson-Milton Elementary –**

- **Art**

- Participates in art contest and displays at Canfield Fair
 - Office Gallery Art of the Month
 - Art becomes part of bulletin boards and showcases throughout the school
 - Special Projects with PTA; student graduation board, Chinese Auction bag decoration, and make and take craft at the PTA Fall Festival
 - Multicultural art projects to promote diversity
 - Backdrops for concerts and special events
 - Art make and take projects for family night events
 - Community connections – local poster contests, Valentines for Vets, Christmas crafts for the elderly

- **Music –**

- K-6th grade receive music education through general music classes
 - Each grade level has a concert that showcases their musical skills
 - K-6th grade unique music program utilizes drum circle, steel drums, Orff instruments, Flutophones, guitars, and ukuleles
 - Students can start joining band in 5th grade and continue on until they graduate

Gym – Our gym teacher has brought in a variety of programs that connect our students and families with the community.

- **Hockey for Health – Youngstown Phantoms Hockey – Power Play Program** – Youngstown Phantoms are committed to promoting healthy lifestyles through Hockey for Health program, educating families and students in the area of finance, nutrition, education, physical activity, and good citizenship. We have been fortunate to have the Youngstown Phantoms visit our school each year to kick off this hockey program.
 - **The First Tee National School Program Curriculum** – Link Golf Skills with Life Lessons – Introduced to basic skills of golf along with character and health education.
 - **IHT Spirit System and the Adidas Zone** – Physical educational technology with the introduction of heart rate monitor and assessment technology. Our students have the opportunity to wear heart rate monitor

during PE class to help students to better understand their health. They also create Google Documents of their results to track their progress.

- **Yoga Foster** – The introduction of yoga in PE class – yoga is good for kids physical, mental, and emotional well-being.
- **Jackson-Milton Middle School – Jackson-Milton High School –**

Art -

- 7th Grade Art Class
- Art 1 & 2
- Advanced Art Courses
- Painting/Drawing Classes
- Ceramics
- Sculpture
- AP Art History
- **Art Competitions**
MCCTC Art Awards, National Scholastic Art and Writing Competition, MLK Ohio Art Competition, Ohio's Governor's Show, ODOT Paint-a-plow Art Competition, Blue Jay Expo, JM Fire Department, Timbre Golden Ticket Grant, Fellows Riverside Winter Celebration

Music –

- **Quality Music Classes that are offered:** General Music, Music Theory, Music Technology, Choir, Vocal Methods, Concert Band, Pep Band, and Marching Band.
- **Concerts & Community Events:** Fourth of July Parade, Area Band Nights, Canfield Fair Band Show, Halftime Football Game Performances, Veteran's Day, two Memorial Day Parades, Winter and Spring Concerts.
- **Students Participate in rigorous and competitive musical events:** Ohio Music Education Association Solo and Ensemble Adjudicated Event and Hubbard Music Festival.
- **Walt Disney World in Orlando Florida:** Our High School Band travelled in the Spring of 2016 for a performance.



Student Leadership and Activities

We strive to create future leaders by providing students with the opportunity to be leaders within their school and community.

Jackson-Milton Elementary –

- **Student Council** – sponsors the can food drive (over 2,000 items collected in 2015, 3,200 in 2016); sponsors for Pennies for Patients to help leukemia and lymphoma patients (\$1,050 in 2016); sponsors Blue Jay Spirit Day to raise money for school improvement; used school improvement funds to build shelves in the upstairs hallway, the students sand, painted, and assembled the shelves; sponsors Veterans and Senior Citizen’s luncheon; students do announcements in morning and afternoon.

Jackson-Milton Middle School – Jackson-Milton High School –

- **Student Council** – Is responsible for Homecoming parade (they vote for a theme, decorate the hall, sell tickets, and present the parade at the football game); host two Blood Drives to Support American Red Cross; host Red Out game every February for Heart Awareness for the American Heart Association, scholarship fundraiser called Spring Fling (volleyball tournament students v. teachers); participate in Blue Jay Elf every Christmas.

Jackson-Milton Elementary –

- **Clubs** – For 5th and 6th graders Coder Club (once a month); Science Club (4th -6th), Math Club (4th – 6th), Earth Day (full day of Earth Day activities for all students).
- **Field Trips** – Our students go on a variety of field trips throughout their elementary career here at JMES. Some of the locations have included: Wagon Trails, Hale Farm, Skate Zone, YSU - Scrappers game, Akron Zoo, Camp Fitch, Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Jackson-Milton Middle School –

- **Clubs** – Art Club, Middle School STAND, Yearbook, Math Club, Science Club, Student Council

Jackson-Milton High School –

- **Clubs** – Art Club, SADD, NHS (National Honor Society grades 11-12), High School Student Council, Yearbook, Math Club, Science Club, Nurse’s Club, Drama Club, English Festival, Physics Club (12th), Quiz Bowl Team, Speech/Debate Team, Freshman Class, Sophomore Class,

Junior Class, Senior Class.

- **Key Club** participates in community events including field trips to Mahoning Valley Rescue Mission, tour facilities, clean the building for residents; They also collect money for Teens for Jeans (for homeless teens), food, clothing, toiletries drives, help with Blue Jay Elf, work with Kiwanis Club to host Easter Egg hunt in North Jackson, participate in JMES Fall Festival, and host the Blue Jay 5K.
- **Field Trips** – YSU Physics Olympics Competition, Juniors and Seniors compete in Mahoning Valley Miniature Bridge Building Competition, Mahoning Valley Jail, YSU English Festival.



Athletics

We provide opportunities for all students to be active and participate in a variety of sports. Through the participation of a sports students learn how to effectively communicate, work cooperatively, build leadership skills, think critically and develop problem solving skills. Athletic opportunities are available for all ages.

Jackson-Milton Elementary –

- Little Blue Jays Football for grades K-6
- Little Blue Jays Cheerleading for grades K-6
- Little Blue Jays Basketball for grades 3-6
- Little Blue Jays Baseball for grades K-8
- Little Blue Jays Softball for grades K-8
- Little Blue Jays Peewee wrestling K-6

Jackson-Milton Middle School –

Fall Sports

- Football for grades 7-8
- Volleyball for grades 7-8
- Boys Cross Country for grades 7-8
- Girls Cross Country for grades 7-8

Winter Sports

- Boys Basketball for grades 7-8
- Girls Basketball for grades 7-8
- Wrestling for grades 7-8

Spring Sports

- Boys Track for grades 7-8
- Girls Track for grades 7-8

Jackson-Milton High School –

Fall Sports

- Football (Varsity)
- Co-Ed Soccer (Varsity)
- Boys Golf (Varsity)
- Girls Golf (Varsity)
- Volleyball (Varsity, Junior Varsity, Freshman)
- Boys Cross Country (Varsity)
- Girls Cross Country (Varsity)

Winter Sports

- Boys Basketball (Varsity, Junior Varsity, Freshman)
- Girls Basketball (Varsity, Junior Varsity)
- Wrestling (Varsity, Junior Varsity)

Spring Sports

- Baseball (Varsity)
- Softball (Varsity, Junior Varsity)
- Boys Track (Varsity)
- Girls Track (Varsity)



Fiscal Stewardship

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

- Cost per pupil – \$12,289.57
- Percentage spent on instruction – 63%
- Treasurer Awards – Ohio Auditor of State Award
- Audit Results – To look at complete audit results, visit the Auditor of State’s website: <https://ohioauditor.gov/auditsearch.aspx>



Parent & Community Involvement

Partnerships between the school district, parents, and community helps enhance students’ educational experiences. The counseling program mission is to promote student success in academics, social, personal, emotional, and career development.

Both buildings benefit from:

- Community Counseling – list of counselors in the community and surrounding communities to assist students and families
- Robert Johnson truancy referrals
- Blue Jay Elf – School program – community contributions – provides families with a Christmas
- Hospice – a grief group for kids who have lost a parent/family member; counselor comes to the school to meet with students
- Making Kids Count – donation of boots, coats, clothes, hats, gloves, anything that is needed (assist families who have lost because of fires)

Jackson-Milton Elementary –

- We offer before school care to assist our families in arriving to work on time.
- In the winter we offer after school tutoring with transportation and a snack to prepare for state testing with our third through sixth grade students.
- Greenford Christian Church (backpack program to give food to some of our families for the weekend)
- PTA
- Chick-Fil-A – Core essential program (Seven core values) monthly
- Banana Splits (divorce group)
- Girls Group for 4th and 5th grade girls (work on social, study, and test taking skills, along with a worrying group)
- Resource Officer from Lake Milton Police Department

Jackson-Milton Middle School – Jackson-Milton High School –

- Coordinate Scholarships for students
- College Credit Course through YSU and Gateway
- American Legion – scholarships and Thanksgiving dinner for families
- Resource Officer from the Mahoning County Deputy Sheriff
- ACT preparation classes to get your student ready



Student Services

To ensure that students receive the services they need to be successful, we provide an array of services such as; individualized instruction, enrichment, and support.

Jackson-Milton Elementary (K – 6) –

- Smartboards in every class
- 50 Laptops (two carts)
- 120 Chromebooks (four carts)
- At least two desktop computers per classroom
- 6 Kindergarten Activity Room desktop computers

- 28 lab desktop computers
- 120 iPads (five carts)
- 3D printer - STEM program component
- Redcat (hearing assistance mic/speakers)
- Turning Point Technology (clickers)

Jackson-Milton Middle School - Jackson-Milton High School –

- Smartboards in every class
- 125 Laptops (five carts)
- 120 Chromebooks (four carts)
- 28 lab desktop computers
- 60 iPads (two carts)
- 2 – 3D printers - STEM program component
- All rooms have microphones and speakers
- After school cafeteria hours to enable students to purchase snacks and beverages prior to athletic and club events.



Summary

Jackson-Milton Local School District sits on a K-12 campus consisting of two buildings. One of the buildings is Jackson-Milton Elementary and it houses students in grades K-6th, along with a preschool unit. The other building is Jackson-Milton Middle/High School, which houses students in grades 7th – 12th. We take great pride in promoting a rich universal experience that not only encompasses academics but all domains of a student's life including; athletics, art, music, clubs to join, and opportunities for community involvement.

Jackson-Milton Local Schools soar to provide our students with a 21st century education. Critical thinking, problem solving, communication, and collaboration are skills that are fostered to help ensure student readiness upon graduation. Students are encouraged to become leaders not only in school but also in their community. Through the use of advance technology such as; ChromeBooks, 3D printers, computer labs, laptops, smartboards, and iPads, we are assuring that our students are prepared for a future outside of school.

What we value the most is providing a positive social/emotional atmosphere to help ensure learning is fun, secure, and welcoming to all. Students learn best when they feel like they belong to a family/group. Here at Jackson-Milton that is what we provide - the opportunity for students to express themselves and to be accepted for whom they are. At Jackson-Milton you are more than a student, teacher, staff, administrator, you are a part of our Blue Jay Family.