### **OUR BEST FINANCIAL POSITION IN 15 YEARS**



"Issue 6 allows us to keep taxes where they are until at least 2021, and could put off additional levies even further into the future."
- Barbara Donohue, Amherst Schools Treasurer

## For ten of the last eleven years,

Amherst Schools spent less per pupil than both its similar district average and the state average.

(District Profile Reports FY2006-FY2015, Ohio Dept. of Education)

Strong partnerships with the Amherst Schools Education Foundation, Parent-Teacher Organizations, Boosters, and other community groups supported student programs, classroom grants, and scholarships with

<u>\$370,000+</u>

<u>in external giving</u> between 2015 and 2016.

# **3rd** LOWEST SCHOOL PROPERTY TAXES IN LORAIN COUNTY

Property Taxes per \$100,000 of Market Value	
District	Amount
Sheffield Lake City (Sheffield Lake)	\$2,493.78
Sheffield Township (Clearview)	\$2,307.14
Elyria City (Elyria)	\$2,195.18
North Ridgeville City (North Ridgeville)	\$2,157.53
Lorain City (Lorain)	\$2,152.78
Avon Lake City (Avon Lake)	\$2,140.19
Columbia Township (Columbia)	\$2,062.79
Avon City (Avon)	\$2,018.18
LaGrange Village (Keystone Schools)	\$2,016.76
Oberlin City (Oberlin)*	\$1,940.16
Grafton Village (Midview Schools)	\$1,939.48
Amherst City (Amherst)	\$1,920.82
Wellington Village (Wellington)*	\$1,810.24
South Amherst Village (Firelands)	\$1,590.47
*Also have school income tax Source: Lorain County Auditor, January 4, 2017	

WE CONSISTENTLY
SEEK WAYS TO
EXPAND PROGRAMS
AND OPPORTUNITIES
WITHOUT ADDING COSTS

ISSUE 6 ON THE MAY 2 BALLOT: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

It's NOT a tax increase.

The Issue 6 renewal protects \$2.6 million in operating dollars for classroom programs, staff, and materials.

Renewing Issue 6 is the last critical step to ensure our long term health and financial stability through at least 2021, without raising taxes.

### High Quality. Good Value. Impactful Citizenship.

#### **Amherst Schools Quality Report**



**Amherst** students learn 21st century critical thinking skills using iPads, laptops, and smart boards.



**AMHERST JUNIOR HIGH** 2015 NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL Mary Mary

77%

of our teachers have a Master's Degree or higher

*40*+

AP, College, Tech, and elective courses offered at Steele High School



#1 in Lorain County for number of college credits earned through LCCC via Comet College Campus two years in a row!



Students in grades 5, 6 and 7 enjoy our **ORCHESTRA** PROGRAM, and hundreds more participate in choir, band, theatre, media and visual arts programs.

98.7%

of our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders in the 2015-16

school year met

the 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Reading

Guarantee

9 Service & Leadership Activities 23 Academic & Arts Clubs **36** Athletic Teams

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