

Raider Strong: We CARE!

The teacher contract proposal recently published has awakened a group of parents, educators, and community members; all stakeholders in what happens in Reynoldsburg Schools. We got together in person and using social media, and our isolated, individual school-based bubbles were popped! Join us, to help strengthen Reynoldsburg schools.

Questions we've asked about the quality of Reynoldsburg students' education:

Get involved: Attend local PTO meetings.

Ask specific questions at your school.

Attend School Board meetings (3rd Tuesday of each month, 7 pm).

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- Inequality between schools: Who has Art? Music? PE? Foreign Language? Technology? For how long? Taught by a certified teacher? A paraprofessional? Teacher-focused or technology-focused? (Currently, Art and PE are taught once a week for 6 weeks at the elementary level, & many 'experiences' are led by a parapro rather than a certified teacher.)
- How many students are in each classroom? Specific numbers of children in chairs, not a building or district average. (in 2013-14, AP classes of 38-46 kids, a Jr High math class of 38, kindergarten & 1st grade classes at 30+, a Spanish teacher responsible for 250 kids)
- How many teachers and building administrators have left Reynoldsburg Schools? (over 50 of 350 teachers left this year, and 5 of 12 administrators) How does this affect school or program consistency? *No one suggests that there is only one factor alone driving educators out of our schools, but the large number this year-double the last three years' average—begs further questioning.
- With open-enrollment, our student population is close to 7,000– an all time high. Are students' individual needs being met by appropriate types and amount of staff?
- Are parents, teachers, and community members adequately involved in major district decisions?
- How will high stakes testing affect the stress level of my child?

This is NOT a request for money, but for time and interest. This is about strengthening relationships within the Reynoldsburg community so that our children and schools benefit.