



# Wooster High School

## GEAR UP Abstract 2017-2018

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Earl Wooster High School (Wooster HS) will serve two cohorts in School Year (SY) 2017-18 which includes Cohort 1: 223 11<sup>th</sup> graders and Cohort 2: 276 10<sup>th</sup> graders. Table 2 shows demographics and subpopulations:

Wooster HS's School Performance Plan (SPP) goals are: 1) Increase the percentage of all grades (9-12) earning the appropriate number of credits per cohort to increase graduation rate, and 2) Increase student performance on state mandated tests to ensure college and career readiness. Targeted interventions include Professional Learning Communities (PLC) for International Baccalaureate /Middle Years Programme (IB/MYP) collaboration, to include vertical alignment, common unit planning, questioning strategies and discussion techniques. Targeted interventions: School staff will continue with school interventions, including test prep classes, tutoring, Saturday Academy, mentors, summer school, the use of the Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS), and co-teaching core classes with high failure rates. Teacher professional development includes curriculum alignment with IB/MYP, International Baccalaureate Career and Technical Education Programme (IB/CP) and International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IB/DP), which promotes international mindedness, interdisciplinary learning, critical thinking, and 21<sup>st</sup> century learning skills. Wooster HS also trains teachers in using Striving Readers strategies that develops academic vocabulary, reading fluency and comprehension skills, using textual evidence in writing, coordination of staffing for student remediation, and student support in target areas – math and reading. Career and Technical Education (CTE), IB/MYP, IB/CP, IB/DP and Advanced Placement (AP) classes are offered. GEAR UP programming will provide assistance that promotes student achievement and college readiness; ensures student access to rigorous college preparatory courses; provides a continuous system of mentoring and advising for students and parents; provides financial education and financial literacy, financial aid and scholarship advising to students and parents; exposure and orientation to college campuses, trade and technical institutions, various professions and businesses (including STEM opportunities), job shadowing, internships; and provides academic and college and career opportunities, such as dual credit classes and college experience programs/summits to assist students in academic and college and career readiness.