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Ohio's K-12 School System Ranks Atop The Midwest and Sixth Nationally

In *Education Weekly Magazine's* 50 state report card, Ohio ranked 1st among Midwestern states and 6th nationally.

The report, called [Quality Counts 2009](#) is an independent assessment that utilizes 35 indicators to rank how each state educates its children. States are graded in six areas, including student chances for success, school finances, and transitions and alignments from early-childhood education to primary and secondary school to college.

[Quality Counts 2009](#) is a further demonstration of Ohio's attractiveness as a location to live and work.

School system performance is commonly used to assist in measuring a location's quality of life. Coupled with a low cost of living and abundant recreational opportunities, *Education Weekly's* ranking of Ohio serves as an additional and important indicator of the state's uncompromised [quality of life](#). Moreover, Ohio's [educational excellence](#) increases its competitiveness as a business location by lending to a [skilled workforce](#) pipeline. In addition to the 180,000 high school seniors that graduate annually from Ohio's high-ranking K-12 system, over 78,000 graduates from the state's large and renowned system of colleges and universities enter the workforce each year.

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