



MSD Wayne achieves county's biggest ISTEP gain



ISTEP scores for students in the MSD of Wayne Township increased 5.8 percent in 2013-14, with 64.4 percent passing both math and English. This was the highest one-year gain of any school district in Marion County.

Two MSD Wayne schools were ranked in the top 30 in the state for the biggest gains over the previous year: McClelland Elementary (up 19 percentage points) and North Wayne Elementary (up 15 percentage points).

MSD Wayne Superintendent Jeff Butts says a renewed focus on encouraging quality teaching, along with strong leadership from principals, helped raise the district's scores.

The district looked at previous years' test scores in depth — determining where students were growing and where they were falling short — and tailored instruction accordingly.

The ISTEP news comes as students begin the 2014-15 school year in Wayne. August 1 marked the first day of school after a seven-week summer break. The district will operate once again this year on a balanced calendar, providing two-week breaks in the fall, winter, and spring. For more MSD Wayne news, please visit the Wayne Newsroom on our website, www.wayne.k12.in.us.