



## Gowanda Central School District Realtor Fact Sheet

### A LITTLE HISTORY

The Gowanda Central School District is located in the scenic village of Gowanda in rural Cattaraugus County. The village Gowanda – whose name is in the local Seneca language means “almost surrounded by hills” or “a valley among the hills” – straddles Cattaraugus and Erie counties and is split by the Cattaraugus Creek. The Cattaraugus Reservation of the Seneca Nation borders the village.

### LOGISTICALLY SPEAKING

GCS is a Pre-Kindergarten through 12th grade district with approximately 1,200 students distributed equally across the Pre-K-4 Elementary School, the 5-8 Middle School and the 9-12 High School. The district maintains 2 educational campuses and 1 athletic field in the Town of Perrysburg and the Village of Gowanda. Students from Collins, North Collins, Gowanda, Hanover, Persia, Perrysburg, Dayton and the Cattaraugus Territory.

### A LOOK AT THE BUDGET

The 2018-2019 budget for GCSD is \$31,346,171, including:

- \$20,445,062 in Estimated State Aid
- \$2,321,762 in Native American Tuition Reimbursement
- \$680,104 in Native American Impact Aid



### LEARNING FOR LIFE

Performing arts, technology, home & careers, interscholastic athletics, student clubs and extracurricular activities enjoy strong participation in Gowanda. Vocational and Special Education services are provided by the Erie 2-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Board of Cooperative Educational Services and Erie 1 BOCES.

The Gowanda Central School District is a top school district:

- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) and coding are infused into the curriculum
- The Music Program offers band and chorus starting at the elementary level. Our students participate in All-State and All-County programs and in musicals, plays and concerts.

- The Visual Arts program helps students navigate and create while developing creative problem-solving skills in collaborative environments. Student artwork is featured throughout the district’s facilities and the community.

### SPORTS & EXTRACURRICULARS

- Baseball, boys’ and girls’ basketball, bowling, cheerleading, cross country, football, boys’ and girls’ lacrosse, boys’ and girls’ swimming, track & field, trap, volleyball, wrestling. Soccer is being considered for the 2018-2019 academic year.
- National Honor Society, SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions), The Phoenix student newspaper, middle and high school Student Government, Thespian Society, Trap Club, middle school computer club, middle school chess club, high school Spanish Club.

### TECH & SOCIAL MEDIA

The district uses up-to-date 1:1 technology, with every student from K-12 using a tablet or laptop as part of their daily education. Distance learning is available to students via live video broadcasting. The district operates a public television station that broadcasts public hearings, Board of Education meetings and athletic events.

Website: [www.gowcsd.org](http://www.gowcsd.org)  
 Facebook: @gowandacentralschool  
 Twitter: @GowandaCSD

*Gowanda Central School District’s mission is to engage students in learning through the development and use of communication, collaboration, creativity and critical thinking.*