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Dennis M. Honkala, Superintendent
Ravenna City
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Dear Superintendent Honkala:

Congratulations! It's my honor to inform you that Ohio's State Board of Education has granted Ravenna City one of its first annual Momentum Awards. The Momentum Award recognizes districts that have received A's on every value-added measure included on Ohio's school and district report cards. For your students, you are keeping the learning momentum high.

As one of the first winners of this award, you are part of an elite group of districts that are supporting the academic growth of students from every background and ability level. Your report card for the 2014-2015 school year showed that your district ensured that its pupils received a year's worth of academic growth in reading and mathematics. This is especially commendable when you are operating many different schools that undoubtedly have different student populations with different needs.

Members of the State Board congratulate you on recruiting and motivating the high-quality school leaders and school staffs that are necessary to achieve what your district has. Please convey our thanks to your teachers, support staff and parents for believing that every child can be academically successful and committing to make sure that every child is.

Your district is a wonderful example for all Ohio school districts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Thomas W. Gunlock".

Thomas Gunlock
President
State Board of Education