

Springboro High School Wins 2020 Pacesetter Award

School honored for establishing systems that support a culture of continuous improvement

June 30, 2020 — Springboro High School in Springboro, Ohio, is the winner of a 2020 Gene Bottoms Pacesetter School Award from the Southern Regional Educational Board.

Springboro High School will be honored on July 6, 2021, at SREB's Making Schools Work Conference in Nashville, Tennessee, due to the cancellation of the 2020 conference in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Pacesetter School Awards recognize schools that are implementing one of SREB's Making Schools Work school improvement frameworks and are achieving success in meeting bold goals related to increases in student graduation rates, readiness for college and careers, and credential attainment.

Springboro High School implements [High Schools That Work](#), SREB's school improvement design for high schools. Springboro develops partnerships with local colleges and career centers to provide programs of study through which students can take courses and earn college credit.

From 2013 to 2019, Springboro High School not only doubled its Advanced Placement course offerings, it also doubled enrollment in them. The percentage of students who passed their AP exams with a 3 or higher also increased, from 77% in 2013 to 82% in 2019.

In 2018, Springboro became one of 50 high schools in Ohio approved by the College Board to teach the AP Capstone program, a diploma program based on two AP courses — AP Seminar and AP Research — that take an interdisciplinary approach to cultivating critical thinking, research, collaboration, time management, and presentation skills. Students who successfully complete the program earn an advanced diploma.

SREB's [Making Schools Work Conference](#) is held annually and provides educators with opportunities to participate in professional development, network with colleagues from across the country and build school and district leadership capacity.

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