



## **Jackson County Schools Receive Honors (11/05)**

Two Jackson County schools have received recognition by the Indiana Chamber of Commerce with release of the 7<sup>th</sup> edition of its *Indiana's Best Buys* report.

Of Indiana's 345 public high schools, 160 were designated as a "best buy" for offering the highest educational achievement levels for the lowest amount of tax dollars.

**Brownstown Central High School** and **Seymour High School** both received that designation. The chamber analyzed many factors, including:

- SAT participation rate
- SAT composite scores
- Graduation rate
- Attendance rate
- Percentage of students passing ISTEP
- Expenditures per student.

From the list of 160 Best Buy high schools, Honor Roll schools are also designated. **Brownstown Central High School** and **Seymour High School** are also both among the 37 Honor Roll schools designated this year. These schools not only excel academically relative to their funding levels, but also have at-risk factors above the statewide median. Honor Roll schools have encouraged students to be achievers in spite of a higher percentage of students facing some extenuating circumstances outside the school.

Source: Indiana Chamber of Commerce

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