



## Garrett not happy after the Browns' blowout loss

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### STARK COUNTY

## How did school districts do on state report cards?

**Amy L. Knapp**  
Massillon Independent  
USA TODAY NETWORK

No Stark County area school district received a perfect score on the state's report cards that show how well Ohio students performed academically last school year on state tests and other measures.

That's a change from previous years. Last year, three Stark districts — Lake Local, Jackson Local and North Canton City schools — received a five-star rating. This year, they each dropped half a star to a 4.5-star rating. Tuslaw Local Schools also received a 4.5-star overall rating, the same grade it received last year.

Tuscarawas Valley Local Schools in Tuscarawas County and West Branch Local Schools in Mahoning County each earned a 4.5-star rating. Stark's largest districts saw no improvement from last year's grade. Canton City and Massillon City both earned 2.5 stars.

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**ABOVE:** Tri-Pine Farm owner Kris Vincent talks about the drought conditions and the impact they are having on his farm in Osnaburg Township. **BELOW:** Cows are released into a field at Tri-Pine Farm.

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## Farms in Stark, Carroll feeling the heat of drought conditions

**Janson McNair** Canton Repository | USA TODAY NETWORK

Back in the spring, Kris Vincent's farm had one rainy day after another. The Akron-Canton Airport recorded 5.02 inches of rain in April, more than an inch above average. "Most of us in the area here in Stark County had trouble getting into hayfields in a timely manner," he said. Vincent, 65, owns Tri-Pine Farm in Osnaburg Township. "We generally can make our first cutting of hay around Memorial Day weekend ... Because of that wet beginning, we didn't get into our fields to make dry hay until about the third



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## Record-high beef prices slam Ohio restaurants

Recent surge is not likely to abate soon

**Emma Wozniak**  
Columbus Dispatch  
USA TODAY NETWORK

City Barbeque, a fast-casual barbecue restaurant chain founded in Columbus, is used to selling just under 4 million pounds of brisket a year across the 11 states it serves. After all, the "premium barbecue experience" is what City Barbeque prides itself on, said Rachel Demers, the company's senior director of supply chain — and for customers, that means brisket. This year, though, City Barbeque is preparing for a shift in consumer preference toward other proteins like chicken or pork. Not because customers won't want beef anymore, Demers said, but because some won't be

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