Iowa City Community School District

Student Population: 14,572
(October 1, 2019 certified data)

Iowa City Community School District is the 5th largest school district in Iowa.

School Sites
19 preschool sites, 21 elementary schools,
3 junior highs, 3 high schools,
1 alt. high school, Transition Services Center

Student Languages
More than 90 different languages are spoken by students and their families across the District.

Average District Class Size
20/1 at the elementary level (Grades K-2)
23/1 at the elementary level (Grades 3-6)
28/1 at the secondary level (Grades 7-12)

District Size
133 square miles
More than 100 buses transport 5,000 students daily

District Personnel
57% Certified Staff
40% Support Staff
3% Administrators

Budget Percentage
84% personnel costs
16% operational costs

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Janet Godwin, President
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Iowa City Community School District
LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES 2019

DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TEAM
Stephen Murley
Superintendent

Matt Degner
Assistant Superintendent

Amy Kortemeyer
Assistant Superintendent

Chace Ramey
Chief Operating Officer

OUR DISTRICT
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LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES
2020 Legislative Session

1 Supplemental State Aid must be Adequate and Timely
   The Iowa City Community School District needs a 4.5% increase in SSA to keep up with ongoing cost increases that have averaged 4.4% per year for the past decade.

2 Support for Climate Change Initiatives
   There is a need for collaborative action between state and local governments and local school districts to educate, create awareness, and take action in regard to climate change.

3 Restoration of Chapter 20
   The state of Iowa should be leading the country in attracting talent to our school districts. Restoring Chapter 20 will have a direct impact on the recruitment and retention of educators and morale within our schools.

4 No Vouchers
   Vouchers are a diversion of public education funds to programs that do not have to follow Department of Education rules. All schools receiving any federal or state dollars should adhere to ALL federal and state rules and regulations.

a Mental Health Services for Students
   Ensure children get the mental health care they need. Nearly 1 in 5 U.S. children have a mental, emotional, or behavioral disorder. School-based mental health care can include screening, treatment, and medication monitoring.

b Fully Fund 4 Year Old Preschool Instruction for Qualifying Students
   Children never get a second chance at a good start and students that complete preschool are better prepared to become successful students.

c Career and Technical Education
   There is a need for a state-wide initiative to increase access to Career and Technical Education (CTE). Districts need funding to offer CTE courses for students seeking alternatives to college.