

ARCHIBALD ALEXANDER Elementary School

2017-18
SNAPSHOT



IOWA CITY
COMMUNITY
SCHOOL DISTRICT
Child-Centered • Future-Focused



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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Welcome to the new Archibald A. Alexander Elementary School. We know that you will feel the positive learning environment right when you enter our beautiful school. Alexander is a place where every student, staff member, and community member is supported, valued and ultimately believed in. Together, we will achieve great things!

Archibald Alexander has a rigorous academic program where our staff members strive to provide focused academic instructional strategies to meet the very specific needs of our students in order to achieve academic growth and success. Our program aligns with the Iowa Core Curriculum in language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies. Celebrating learning and student achievement is emphasized. Our teachers are passionate about teaching and learning and truly believe that all students can learn at high levels.

In its first year, Archibald Alexander is just beginning to build community and start traditions. Parents will participate in our PTO, conferences, classroom engagements, family nights, daily reading, and many other school activities.

Respect, responsibility, relationships and pride. We have Falcon Focus that we just can't hide! Please stop by to see our brand new learning community at Archibald A. Alexander and feel our Falcon Pride!

Chris Gibson

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Alexander Principal

Mission

We come together as a community of learners, where the desire for learning is nurtured and creativity is supported in an environment that fosters caring, sharing, honesty, trust, and perseverance. We seek to provide instruction that allows all students to reach their fullest potential through their school years to become lifelong learners.

COURSE OFFERINGS

Language Arts
Math
Science
Social Studies
Gifted & Talented (ELP)
Orchestra Instruction (grades 5-6)
Band Instruction (grades 5-6)
Art
Music
PE
Library/Technology
Guidance
Supportive and Modified Special Education Programs
Reading Recovery

GRADE LEVEL ORGANIZATION

Preschool-6th Grade Straight Grade

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

English Language Learners (ELL)
Before and After School Program
Student and Family Advocate
Universal Breakfast
Title I
Hot lunch and Breakfast
PTO

CO-CURRICULAR/ EXTRACURRICULAR

Clubs: Student Council, Safety Patrol, Conflict Managers

STUDENTS PROGRESS TO:

Northwest Junior High School
West High School

ALEXANDER HIGHLIGHTS



Archibald A. Alexander Elementary is a brand new learning community. The majority of our students are coming from Grant Wood Elementary and Mark Twain Elementary Schools. We will be focusing on building a strong community of learners throughout the year by creating strong and purposeful relationships and traditions with our students, staff, families, and community members this year. Respect, responsibility, relationships and pride. We have Falcon Focus that we just can't hide!

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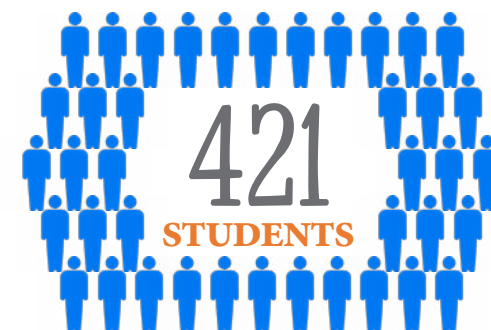


STUDENT PERFORMANCE

	Percentage of Students Proficient in Reading	Percentage of Students Proficient in Math	Percent of Students Reaching Projected Academic Growth in Reading	Percent of Students Reaching Projected Academic Growth in Math
School	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
District	74.0%	70.9%	52.5%	54.6%
State	77.1%	78.9%	48.4%	54.0%

Data based on Iowa Assessments of 3rd through 6th grade students

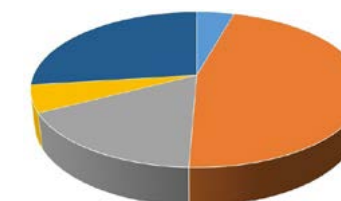
ALEXANDER BY THE NUMBERS



- 27.0% English Language Learners
- 13.9% Students receiving special education services
- 71.5% Low socioeconomic status students



STUDENT DIVERSITY



- Asian
- Black
- Hispanic
- Multi-racial
- Native American/Alaskan
- Pacific Islander/Other
- White

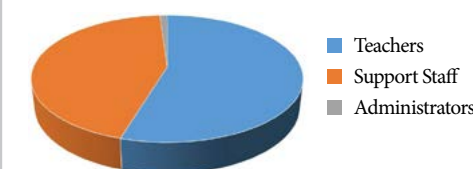
QUALITY TEACHERS

	Total Number of Classroom Teachers	Iowa Licensed Teachers	Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	Teachers with Advanced Degrees	Teachers in Leadership Positions	Staff Retention Rate
School	43	100%	100%	20	12	N/A
District	1111	100%	100%	681	307	

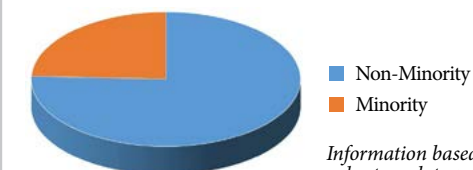
GARNER
PENN
VAN ALLEN
WICKHAM
WEBER
LUCAS
BORLAUG
C. CENTRAL
ALEXANDER
HORN

9th LARGEST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE DISTRICT

SCHOOL PERSONNEL



STAFF DIVERSITY



Information based on voluntary data provided by employees.



[IOWA ASSESSMENT 4TH GRADE NATIONAL PERCENTILE RANK OF NATIONAL STANDARD SCORE]

	School	District	Nation
Reading	41%	72%	50%
Math	26%	58%	50%
Science	44%	71%	50%



94.96%

AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE

29.3%
MOBILITY RATE

93.3%
STABILITY RATE



STATE OF IOWA
REPORT CARD

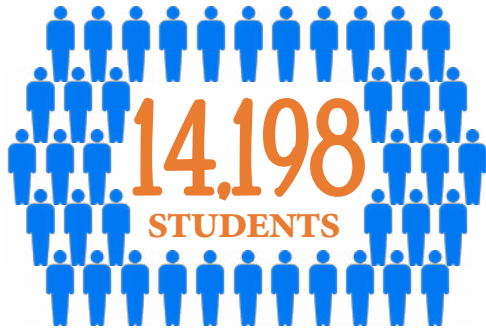
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ATTENDANCE AREA
LOOK-UP

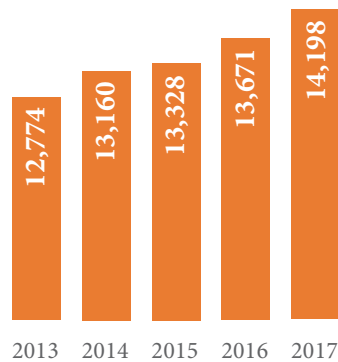
www.IowaCitySchools.org/HomeSchoolLookUp

OUR STUDENTS



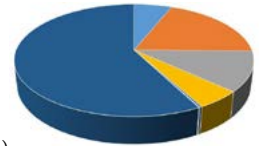
- 8.9% English Language Learners
- 10.4% Students receiving special education services
- 37.4% Low socioeconomic status students

[CERTIFIED ENROLLMENT]



STUDENT DIVERSITY

- Asian (6.1%)
- Black (19.2%)
- Hispanic (11.5%)
- Multi-racial (5.2%)
- Native American/Alaskan (<1%)
- Pacific Islander/Other (<1%)
- White (57.6%)



NEARLY 80
LANGUAGES
SPOKEN

OUR SCHOOLS & STAFF



- 17 PRESCHOOL SITES
- 20 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
- 3 JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS
- 3 HIGH SCHOOLS
- 1 ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL

- DES MOINES
- CEDAR RAPIDS
- DAVENPORT
- SIoux CITY
- IOWA CITY
- WATERLOO
- DUBUQUE
- ANKENY
- COUNCIL BLUFFS
- WEST DES MOINES

5th
LARGEST
SCHOOL
DISTRICT
IN IOWA

DISTRICT SIZE
133
SQ. MILES

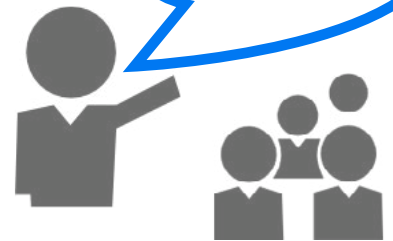
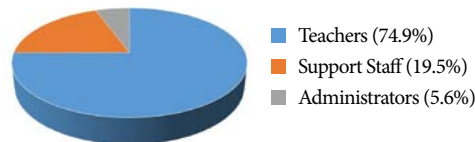


CLASSROOM-FOCUSED PRIORITIES

84%

OF ANNUAL DISTRICT BUDGET IS SPENT ON PERSONNEL COSTS.

SALARY/BENEFIT COSTS



MORE THAN:

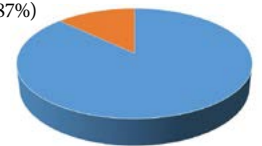
10,500 Meals Prepared & Served Every Day

5,000 Students Transported by Bus Every Day

STAFF DIVERSITY

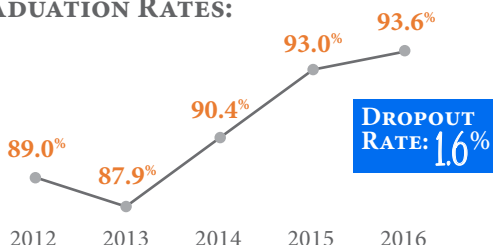
- Non-Minority (87%)
- Minority (13%)

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RAISING THE BAR

GRADUATION RATES:



84% OF DISTRICT GRADUATES INTEND TO PURSUE POST SECONDARY EDUCATION

977 STUDENTS ENROLLED IN AP COURSES

269 STUDENTS ENROLLED IN KIRKWOOD REGIONAL CENTER ACADEMIES

173 STUDENTS ENROLLED IN PSEO AND ALTERNATIVE CONCURRENT COURSES

[2016-17 ACT AVG. COMPOSITE SCORES]

