



# 2018 DISTRICT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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# EDUCATION

## Teaching and Learning

- Early Literacy Implementation (ELI) for elementary teachers
- Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling (LETRS), and 95% group training for elementary teachers
- Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP) training for all Coralville Central ES and Borlaug ES staff
- All elementary students attended a live performance of Opera Iowa's Jack in the Beanstalk
- Students at South East JHS, Northwest JHS, Hoover ES, Kirkwood ES, and Weber ES participated in the Hour of Code
- Implemented Seal of Biliteracy for World Language
- Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) professional development provided to 26 schools
- Continued implementation of Teacher Leadership (TL) system

## Equity Initiatives

- Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) lead model implementation at Kirkwood ES, Weber ES, and Northwest JHS and expansion to Alexander ES, Wood ES, and remaining secondary schools
- Implemented English Language Learners (ELL) program at every school for the first time in district history
- Continued implementation of Weighted Resource Allocation Model (WRAM)
- Collaborated with Department of Human Services to provide school stability for students in foster care
- Identified and provided supports for over 250 students in temporary living situations
- 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) grant awarded at Hills ES
- Allocation of \$50,000 for BASP Bridge Care Scholarships to support families whose child could not otherwise attend
- In addition to the University of Iowa's student climate survey, implemented the Conditions of Learning survey for students in 5th through 12th grades to include student voice in school improvement and to focus on the climate and culture of our schools
- Continued the Cultural Competency Coaching model in all district buildings
- Completed the second of three years of Implicit Bias training for administrators and teachers
- Healthy Kids School-based Health Clinics expanded to a third clinic site at City HS

## Achievement

- Continued proficiency increases with third year in a row of K-6 improvement on FAST reading assessments
- Record number of students enrolled in PSEO courses (70% more students than prior year)
- Record number of PSEO courses taken (84% more courses than prior year)
- Record participation in ACT testing while maintaining exceptional 24.9 District average
- 25 National Merit Semifinalists
- Multiple co-curricular and extra-curricular honors received by secondary schools
- 100 students from grades 5 and 6 across the District participated in first annual "KidSing" Choral Festival
- 93 high school musicians selected to perform at All-State
- Both City HS and West HS student newspapers received state and national honors



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OPERATIONS

## Business Office

- Earned 13th consecutive Certificate of Excellence from GFOA and ASBO International
- Maintained district's bond rating at highest level in the State of Iowa
- Successful general obligation bond sale of approximately \$66.6 million
- Completed p-card policy and procedures manual
- Expanded digitizing of district records to permanent student records, Human Resources files and other areas of the Business Office
- Began transition to Enterprise Resource Planning system

## Community Affairs

- Held ground breaking ceremony to celebrate the start of construction for Grant ES
- Held ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the historic renovations and 100 year anniversary at Longfellow ES
- Launched 'Say Something' campaign for anonymous safety reporting via text messaging
- Implemented second phase of Iowa City Schools mobile app to integrate student data into the platform

## Human Resources

- Recruited very strong leadership team to transition through administration attrition
- Maintained strong relationship with employee union groups

## Nutrition Services

- 2018-19 daily averages: 2300 breakfast meals, 8400 lunch meals, \$90,000 per month a la carte sales
- Implemented Meal Viewer menu and nutritional analysis software program for students, families and staff
- Increased Farm to School produce purchases from 13,270 to 21,700 pounds for this school year
- Opened a new state of the art production kitchen at West HS
- Began planning for future kitchen and cafeteria remodels at North Central JHS and City HS

## Technology

- Implemented 1:1 Chromebook program for all secondary students (grades 7-12)
- Completed district-wide network infrastructure upgrades
- Launched development and implementation of K-12 computational thinking and computer science pathways
- Leveraged the federal E-Rate program to save over \$1 million in the past 14 months

## Transportation

- Coordinated successful busing transition for Lincoln ES and Mann ES students at new Hoover ES
- Completed a Request for Proposal-Pupil Transportation Equipment and Services



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# FACILITIES

## Facilities Management

- Started the design process for Kirkwood ES, and Wood ES, City HS, Liberty HS (Phase 3), West HS (Phase 2)
- Implemented an accelerated construction and design schedule for the remaining Facilities Master Plan projects

## Construction

- Revised the entrance drive at Garner ES
- Completed the historical renovation of Longfellow ES
- Installed an ADA ramp at the City HS Opstad Auditorium entrance
- Completed the Healthy Kids Clinic at City HS
- Completed Liberty HS, the first new high school in the District in 50 years and began construction of the exterior athletic venues
- Completed a major project at West HS (Phase 1) that included a new gymnasium, kitchen addition, and a renovated cafeteria
- Installed a fire lane at West HS
- Began the construction of Grant ES
- Began the renovation of Lincoln ES
- Began the historical renovation of Mann ES
- Began the accelerated Facilities Master Plan projects at Alexander ES, North Central JHS, South East JHS, and a single classroom addition at Twain ES

## Safety and Security Upgrades

- Completed City HS safety and security system upgrades
- Started the design for safety and security system upgrades for West HS
- Reconstituted the Safety Committee

## Major Physical Plant and Equipment Levy Life Cycle Projects

- Assisted City HS students with the construction and engineering (ACE) building at City HS
- Completed the interior door replacement project at City HS
- Completed roof replacements at Longfellow ES, Shimek ES, and the Educational Services Center
- Began the City HS gym wall replacement project

## Playgrounds, Athletic Fields and Grounds

- Installed new playgrounds at Borlaug ES, Lemme ES, Longfellow ES, and Weber ES
- Continued goat reclamation project at Longfellow ES, Shimek ES, TREC, and West HS



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