

MARK TWAIN Elementary School

2017-18
SNAPSHOT



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



1355 Deforest Street
Iowa City, IA 52240
Phone: (319) 688-1165 | **Fax:** (319) 688-1166

Principal: Jeremy Negus | negus.jeremy@iowacityschools.org
Secretary: Whitney Wessling | wessling.whitney@iowacityschools.org

Website: www.iowacityschools.org/TwainES

School Hours: 7:55 am – 2:55 pm (M, T, W, F) 7:55 am – 1:55 pm (Th)

Dear Parent or Guardian,

When you walk through the doors of Mark Twain Elementary, you enter a place where all children, families, staff and learning are valued at the highest level. Every child, every adult, and every minute is devoted to building an inclusive, challenging, and responsive environment for preschool through sixth grade students. Learners are provided with opportunities they need to inquire and skills and strategies they need to find the answers.

The rigorous academic program at Mark Twain Elementary follows the Iowa Core Curriculum in language arts, mathematics, science and social studies. Professional Learning Teams collaborate to create differentiated lessons which require high levels of critical thinking and reasoning accompanied with rich language instruction. Our teachers are experienced and passionate professionals who are committed to helping all students reach their full potential.

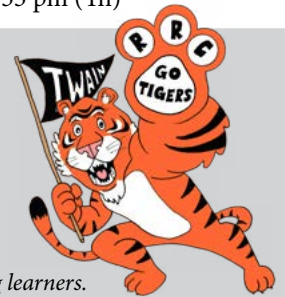
Mark Twain Elementary School has a strong tradition of supportive, hard-working parents who are highly respected partners with the school. Parents participate in conferences, PTO, classroom engagements, Family Nights, daily reading, and other school activities. Mark Twain also has nurtured community partnerships with Kirkwood Community College and The University of Iowa College of Education. Churches and local organizations support our Backpack program and popular Family Nights.

As you leave Mark Twain Elementary, you will realize “We are a respectful, responsible, caring community” is not just our motto, but our reality.

Jeremy Negus
Twain Principal

Mission

We come together at Mark Twain School 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
Counseling Class
Level I Special Education
Level II & III Modified Special Ed.
Reading Recovery

GRADE LEVEL ORGANIZATION

Preschool-4th Grade Straight Grade, 5th-6th Grades
departmentalized in reading, math, social studies and science.

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

English Language Learners (ELL)
Title I
Student and Family Advocates
21st Century Grant Tutoring after school
Universal Breakfast Program
Hot Lunch Program
PTO

CO-CURRICULAR/ EXTRACURRICULAR

Clubs: Student Council, Safety Patrol,
Conflict Managers

STUDENTS PROGRESS TO:

South East Junior High School
City High School

TWAIN HIGHLIGHTS



Mark Twain is a learning magnet. Students from diverse linguistic, geographic, socio-economic, and academic backgrounds are pulled toward its vibrant center. Enrichment flourishes not only because of the targeted instruction that takes place in the classroom, but because of the unique interaction that occurs when children bring a wide array of talents and thoughts to the school experience. Diversity is celebrated every day!

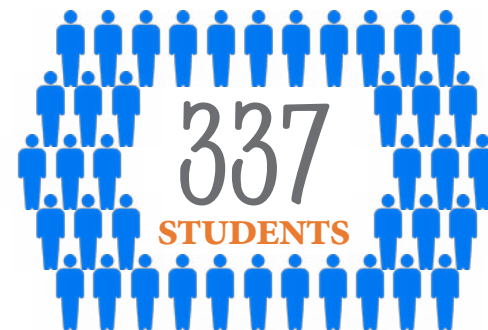


STUDENT PERFORMANCE

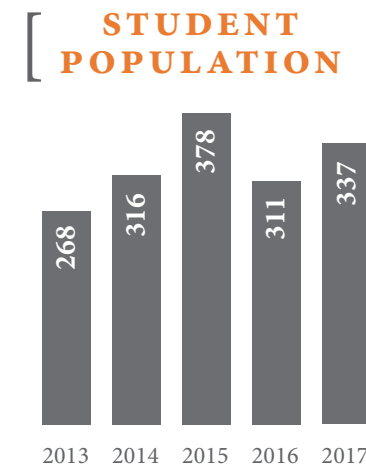
	Percentage of Students Proficient in Reading	Percentage of Students Proficient in Math	Percent of Students Reaching Projected Academic Growth in Reading	Percent of Students Reaching Projected Academic Growth in Math
School	55.3%	45.1%	40.5%	44.9%
District	74.0%	70.9%	52.5%	54.6%
State	77.1%	78.9%	48.4%	54.0%

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

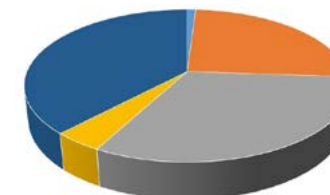
TWAIN BY THE NUMBERS



- 23.2% English Language Learners
- 12.9% Students receiving special education services
- 78.9% Low socioeconomic status students



STUDENT DIVERSITY



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

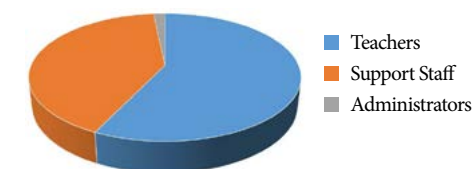
QUALITY TEACHERS

	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	34	100%	100%	16	12	87.1%
District	1111	100%	100%	681	307	

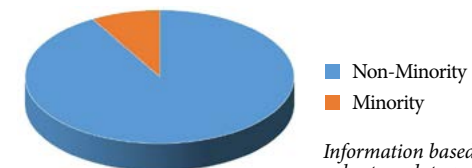
BORLAUG
C. CENTRAL
ALEXANDER
HORN
LEMME
TWAIN
KIRKWOOD
LONGFELLOW
GRANT WOOD
HOOVER

12th
LARGEST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE DISTRICT

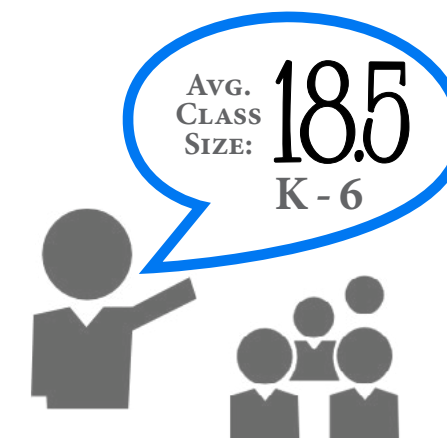
SCHOOL PERSONNEL



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	32%	72%	50%
Math	27%	58%	50%
Science	37%	71%	50%



96.19%
AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE

37.3%
MOBILITY RATE

91.0%
STABILITY RATE



STATE OF IOWA
REPORT CARD

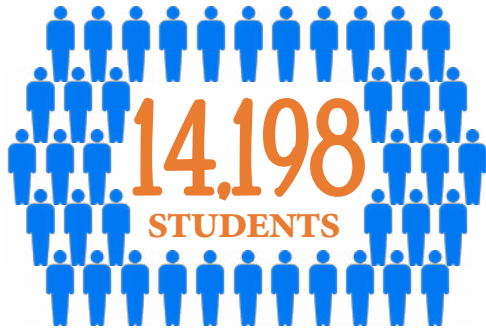
<http://reports.educateiowa.gov/schoolreportcard>



ATTENDANCE AREA
LOOK-UP

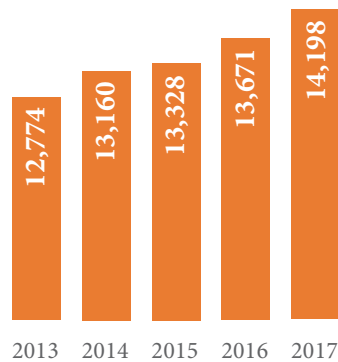
www.IowaCitySchools.org/HomeSchoolLookUp

OUR STUDENTS



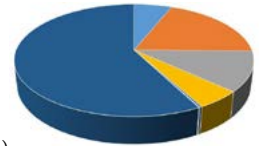
- 8.9% English Language Learners
- 10.4% Students receiving special education services
- 37.4% Low socioeconomic status students

[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

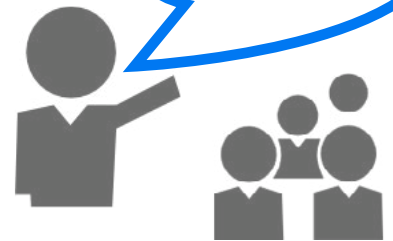
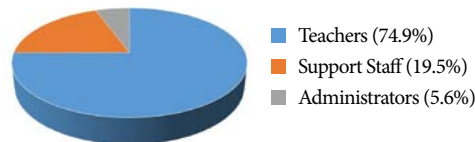


CLASSROOM-FOCUSED PRIORITIES

84%

OF ANNUAL DISTRICT BUDGET IS SPENT ON PERSONNEL COSTS.

SALARY/BENEFIT COSTS



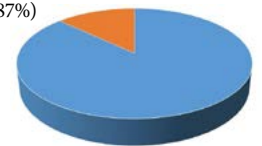
MORE THAN:

- 10,500** Meals Prepared & Served Every Day
- 5,000** Students Transported by Bus Every Day

STAFF DIVERSITY

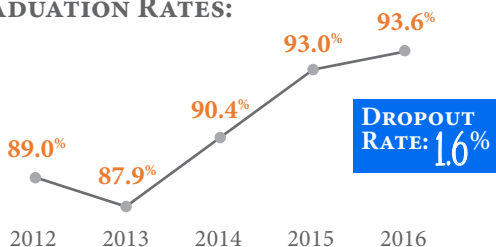
- Non-Minority (87%)
- Minority (13%)

Information based on voluntary data provided by employees.



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]

