

2011-2012 Annual Report  
to the Community



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Inspire Learning. Unlock Potential. Empower Achievement.

# Facts and Figures

## School Board Members

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## Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Katie Mulholland

## Students and Schools

| Enrollment          | Schools | Students |
|---------------------|---------|----------|
| Elementary (K-5)    | 7       | 3201     |
| Middle School (6-8) | 2       | 1515     |
| High School (9-12)  | 1       | 1778     |
| TOTAL*              | 10      | 6827     |

\*Total includes home school students, preschool & alternative programs.

## Student Demographics

| Race/Ethnicity                        | Percentage |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| White                                 | 85.37%     |
| Asian                                 | 5.54%      |
| Black or African American             | 4.79%      |
| Hispanic/Latino of any race           | 2.57%      |
| American Indian/Alaskan Native        | 39%        |
| English Language Learners (ELL) Total | 1.06%      |
| Special Education                     | 9.2%       |

## Linn-Mar Statistics

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| English Language Learners  | 73  |
| Special Education Students | 619 |
| Attendance Rate (9-12)     | 96% |
| Graduation Rate            | 94% |
| Average Class Size (K-5)   | 23  |

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| Student/Computer Ratio                       | 4:1            |
| Volunteer Program (764 people)               | 24,294 hours   |
| Free/Reduced Lunch                           | 19.2%          |
| Average Number of Lunches Served Daily       | 4,452 students |
| Total Number of Lunches Served               | 805,454        |
| Average Number of Breakfasts Served Daily    | 468 students   |
| Total Number of Breakfasts Served            | 85,573         |
| Average Number of Students Transported Daily | 3,700          |
| Total Miles Driven                           | 469,226        |
| Buses  | 52             |

## District Staff

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Administrators           | 7          |
| Principals               | 10         |
| Asst. Principals         | 8          |
| Teachers                 | 435        |
| Curriculum               | 3          |
| Guidance                 | 18         |
| Other Professional Staff | 32         |
| Librarians               | 10         |
| Ed. Assistants           | 157        |
| Technicians              | 6          |
| Secretaries              | 40         |
| Service Workers          | 73         |
| Skilled Crafts           | 9          |
| Other Part-time Staff    | 140        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>             | <b>948</b> |

|                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Teachers with Advanced Degrees    | 283 |
| National Board Certified Teachers | 8   |
| Teachers Hired                    | 28  |

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Average Teacher Salary (full-time without benefits)   | \$55,845 |
| Beginning Teacher Salary (full-time without benefits) | \$35,043 |



# Areas of Instructional Focus

## ACADEMIC PROGRAMS & SERVICES

### American College Testing

Linn-Mar students score well above state and national averages on standardized tests such as the ACT, SAT, or ITED. The 2011-2012 composite average ACT score for all L-MHS students was 24.4. The average composite score for all Iowa students during the same time period was 22.1 and the national average was 21.1. 78% of Linn-Mar High School students took the ACT and a score of 20 or higher on the 36 point scale indicates probable success in college.

### National Merit Achievement Program

Linn-Mar has had a large number of National Merit Scholars, Academic All-State recipients, and State of Iowa Scholars in its sixty-three year history. During the 2011-2012 school year, Linn-Mar High School had three National Merit Scholar Semifinalists, as well as one National Merit Scholar Commended Student named.

### Linn-Mar's Advance Placement (AP) information for the Class of 2012\*:

Of the more than 18,000 schools/districts worldwide that participate in the AP Program, Linn-Mar was one of only 367 U.S. public school districts named as an AP Honor Roll School in 2012. (One of only six districts in Iowa that achieved this status.)

75% of Linn-Mar's Class of 2012 seniors took an AP course while in high school.

Linn-Mar Community Schools offered the following AP coursework: American Government, Art History, Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, English, Physics, Psychology, Statistics, US History, World History and AP TAG.

27 different AP subject tests were taken by Linn-Mar students in 2012.

In the United States, 32.4% of public high school students took an AP exam at some point in high school. At Linn-Mar, 80% took an AP exam. (299 seniors took 423 AP Exams.)

Nationally, 19.5% of 2012 graduates scored over a 3 on AP exams. At Linn-Mar, 83.2% of scores were higher than a 3.

\*According to the College Board's 9th Annual AP Report to the Nation.

## Safe and Healthy Schools

- Olweus Bullying Prevention Program
- Implementation of the Healthy Kids Act
- Wellness Plan focusing on nutrition education and physical activity
- Health/Human Development Committee
- Community-School Crisis Management Committee

## Literacy

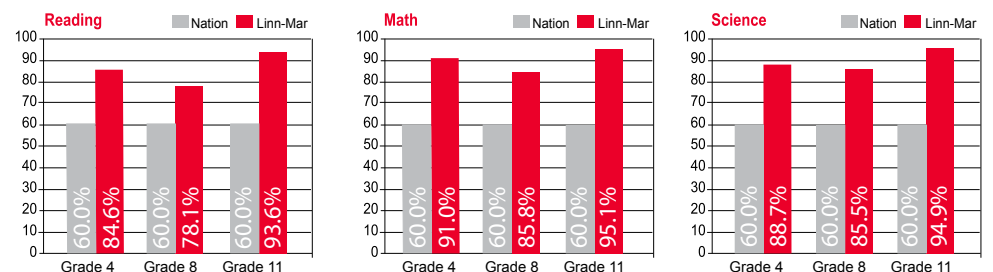
- Professional development classes on balanced literacy for teachers at all levels
- Screening and intervention for struggling readers
- English and language arts in all content areas
- Continued professional development focused on the Iowa Core/Common Core State Standards

## Technology

- Fiber connected network
- Mobile wireless carts
- Fixed computer labs
- Interactive whiteboards
- Tablets
- Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)
- Robotics program

## Linn-Mar Performance Compared to the National Average of the National Standard Score (NSS)

Describes performance on an achievement continuum from Kindergarten through 12th grade.





# Community and Business Engagement

## Linn-Mar Volunteer Program

The Linn-Mar Volunteer Program had more than 750 volunteers log more than 24,300 volunteer hours during the 2011-2012 school year. Volunteers assist in our classrooms, lunchrooms and media centers daily. Contact Karla Terry, Community Services Coordinator, at 319-447-3109 or kterry@linnmar.k12.ia.us to become an active volunteer.

## Linn-Mar Booster Club

(linnmarboosterclub.org)

The Linn-Mar Booster Club provides financial support for Linn-Mar Community Schools by operating concession stands, selling football programs, extra-curricular photo packages and clothing at the Lions' Den Store.

## Linn-Mar School Foundation

(linnmarfoundation.org)

The Linn-Mar School Foundation strengthens our community by partnering with businesses and individuals to raise, steward and distribute funds, thereby enhancing educational excellence for present and future Linn-Mar students.



# Revenues & Expenditures

## FY 2012 Approved Budget

|                              |                     |
|------------------------------|---------------------|
| Operating Fund.....          | \$64,565,914        |
| Debt Service Fund.....       | \$9,574,622         |
| Other Funds.....             | \$18,881,282        |
| <b>Total Approved Budget</b> | <b>\$93,021,818</b> |

## General Fund Revenues 2012

|              |                     |             |
|--------------|---------------------|-------------|
| Federal..... | \$3,029,743         | 5%          |
| State .....  | \$35,325,267        | 54%         |
| Local.....   | \$26,289,776        | 41%         |
| Other.....   | \$16,521            | 0%          |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>\$64,661,306</b> | <b>100%</b> |

## General Fund Expenditures 2012

|                |                     |             |
|----------------|---------------------|-------------|
| Salaries ..... | \$43,133,596        | 69%         |
| Benefits ..... | \$7,082,979         | 11%         |
| Services ..... | \$5,603,983         | 9%          |
| Supplies ..... | \$3,526,568         | 6%          |
| Other .....    | \$3,353,111         | 5%          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$62,700,237</b> | <b>100%</b> |



# Recognition



Over 80 extra curricular activities are offered within the Linn-Mar School District. Nearly 85% of the high school student body participates in a school sponsored activity. The Lions compete in the largest class of school in Iowa as members of the Mississippi Valley athletic conference.

## Accomplishments in the 2011-12 school year include:

- 17 singers accepted to the Iowa All-State Choir
- 14 musicians accepted to the Iowa All-State Band
- 19 musicians accepted to the Iowa All-State Orchestra
- 10th Street Edition show choir: 3x Grand Champion, 3x Best Vocals and 3x Best Choreography
- 5 Show Choir Championships
- MVC Division Title winners: LM football team, Girls and Boys cross country teams
- MVC Division Coach of the Year: Wrestling, Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, Football, Boys Basketball, Boys Tennis
- MVC Coaching Staff of the Year: Girls Soccer, Baseball
- MVC Athlete of the Year: Football, Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, Boys Basketball
- Iowa Girls Coaches Association Assistant Girls Basketball Coach of the Year
- State Qualifiers: Football, Girls Swimming, Boys Swimming, Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, Girls Soccer, Girls Basketball, Wrestling, Girls Golf, Boys Golf, Boys Tennis, Girls Tennis, Special Olympics State Ski, Boys Bowling, Boys Track, Girls Track, Poms, Baseball, Girls Bowling, Boys Basketball, Cheerleading, FFA, Math Team, Speech
- State Cross Country Champion, wheelchair division
- National Qualifiers: Pom Poms
- McDonald All-American Basketball Team Player
- Gatorade Player of the Year
- Iowa's Mr. Basketball
- State Division I Rating: Marching Lions and Wind Ensemble
- National Association of Agricultural Educators Outstanding Teacher Award
- AP District of the Year Award as an AP Honor Roll School
- 3 All-State Speech Qualifiers
- 1 Iowa's Shrine Bowl Selectee
- 1 All State Visual Artist
- 2012 Iowa String Teacher's Association Invitational guest performance
- Grammy Signature Semifinalist
- Iowa Jazz Championship invitation and performance
- Superior ratings at State Jazz Band Contest: Colton Center Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Band I, Jazz Lab Band
- 28th Consecutive Superior rating at State Marching Band Contest: Marching Lions
- 2012 Mathew Shepard Scholarship recipient
- 4 High School American Citizenship Awards



# Learning Environments

The Linn-Mar maintenance staff maintain over 1,500,000 square feet of facilities on 110 acres. Improvements and efficiencies are made annually.

## Projects completed during the 2011-12 school year:

- Two restroom remodels at Wilkins and Indian Creek
- Partial roof replacement at the High School
- Air conditioning in the weight room, wrestling room and locker rooms at the High School
- Bleacher replacement in the High School auxiliary gym
- Partial south parking lot replacement at the High School
- Complete replacement of the west parking lot at Indian Creek
- Painting of the High School main gym
- Window replacement at Indian Creek
- Fire Alarm replacement at Bowman Woods
- Door replacements at Bowman Woods
- Six new tennis courts at Excelsior
- Dishwasher at the High School
- Completion and opening of Linn-Mar stadium

## Forecasted Construction:

- 2013: The Baseball/Softball Complex located behind Oak Ridge Middle School with four diamonds to accommodate tournaments.
- 2013: The Aquatic Center is expected to open for competition swim teams and for an aquatics program for younger students.



# About Us

## The Vision

**LINN-MAR** **2020**  
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## The Mission

Inspire Learning.  
Unlock Potential.  
**Empower Achievement.**

## 5 Strategic Goal Areas

- Student Achievement
- Learning Environments
- Staff Development
- Community Engagement
- Resources



## Schools

- Bowman Woods Elementary
- Echo Hill Elementary
- Indian Creek Elementary
- Linn Grove Elementary
- Novak Elementary
- Westfield Elementary
- Wilkins Elementary
- Oak Ridge Middle School
- Excelsior Middle School
- Linn-Mar High School

## For More Information about Linn-Mar

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Rick Ironside, Ed.D.  
Associate Superintendent

Dave Nicholson  
Business Administrator

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