



# Iredell - Statesville Schools

Together, Ensuring *Student Success* by Igniting a *Passion* for Learning

A member district of Digital Promise—The League of Innovative Schools



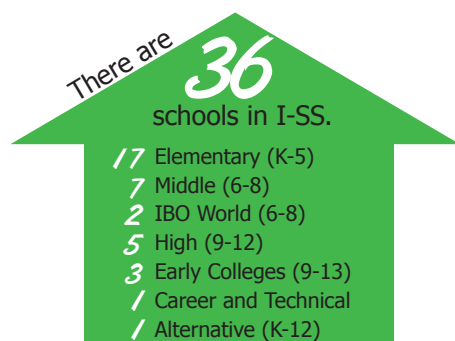
## OUR MISSION

We are a premier school system where students come first. All students will receive a high quality, relevant education in a safe and caring environment which will produce confident, responsible and globally competitive citizens. Our students will be college and career ready.

## OUR VALUES

- Strong Relationships
- Focus on Students and Learning
- Collaborative Approach to Success
- Pursuit of Excellence and Success
- High Ethical Standards and Transparency

## SCHOOLS



**I-SS 2017-18 enrollment is 20,264** including:



The average class sizes\*:

Grade	I-SS	State
Kindergarten	19	19
1st	19	19
2nd	19	19
3rd	20	19
4th	20	21
5th	21	21
6th	22	22
7th	22	21
8th	23	22
9th-12th**	20	19

\*Average Class Size reflects the 2015-16 data.  
\*\*9th-12th is average End-of-Course class size.

## DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

Measure	I-SS Results
Graduation Rate	88.8%
Dropout Rate	2.41%
Student Attendance Rate	94.99%
SAT ( <i>without writing</i> )	1130
ACT Composite	60.5%
Academic Ranking	19th*

\* N.C. ranking is out of 115 districts.

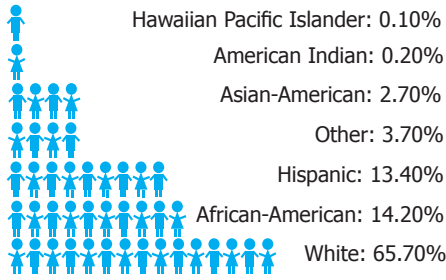
Iredell-Statesville Schools takes prides in our commitment to academic excellence.

A few additional highlights about our learning community:

- Recipient of the Malcolm Baldrige National Award for Excellence. (*Fall 2008*) This award is given to organizations across the country that are committed to continuous improvement and demonstrate high levels of achievement.
- Recipient of \$5 million federal i3 grant with required \$1 million private matches (*1 of 7 school districts in the nation*).\*\*
- Recipient of \$20 million federal Race To the Top District grant (*1 of 16 in the nation*).\*\*
- Coddle Creek Elementary School was authorized as an International Baccalaureate World School (*2017-18*). Cloverleaf Elementary School has joined them as a candidate school this year giving I-SS a K-12 continuum of IB services.
- STEM Academies: I-SS established middle school STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) Academies through our Career and Technical Education for students in grades 6-8. (*Fall 2015*)
- Celeste Henkel, Harmony, and Lakeshore elementary schools launched first school-wide STEM initiatives. (*Fall 2016*)
- Scotts Elementary became Iredell County's first A+ Arts Integrated Magnet School. (*Fall 2016*)
- After many years of successful implementation of the Spanish Dual Immersion program at East Iredell elementary and middle schools, the district expanded the Spanish Dual-Immersion Program to Lake Norman Elementary School. (*August 2017*)
- ACT WorkReady Community Partnership: I-SS partnered with Mitchell Community College, the Greater Statesville Chamber of Commerce, and the Mooresville-South Iredell Chamber of Commerce to achieve county accreditation as a 21st Century ACT WorkReady Community. (*Nov. 2016*)
- Our nationally acclaimed, Career Academy and Technical School (CATS), continues to expand offerings for students including: Automotive Technology, Auto-body Repair, Heavy Equipment, Welding, Masonry, Culinary Arts, Certified Nursing Assistant, Nail Technology, Fire Safety Science, Digital Media, and Emergency Medical Technology.
- I-SS has a rich history of successful early college programs including the Collaborative College for Technology and Leadership (CCTL) and Crossroads Science and Arts Early College (Crossroads). The district opened North Carolina's first early college (Agriculture & Science Early College) devoted to agri-science. (*July 2017*)
- Iredell-Statesville Schools launched iACADEMY, the first public school partnership with home schools in North Carolina. (*July 2013*) *Currently serving students in grades 6-12, the district will expand to grades K-5 in August 2018.*
- The district is among the leading districts in North Carolina for student online learning. Our students annually complete more than 2,200 online courses.
- I-SS opened the Discovery Program on the campus of Barium Springs which focuses on serving autistic students. (*Fall 2018*)
- I-SS was the recipient of a \$6.2 million dollar Gear Up Grant from the U.S. Department of Education. (*Fall 2018*)

\*\* I-SS is the only school system in the nation to be recipients of both the i3 and the District Race To the Top grants.

## STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS



**45%** of I-SS students are eligible to receive free or reduced price meals in schools

## STUDENT SERVICES

**2,176** students (10.49%) are enrolled in special education programs.

**2,507** students (12.09%), speak a language other than English.

**1,939** students (9.48%) are currently being served in the Academically or Intellectually Gifted Program.

## STUDENT OUTCOMES

### Post-Graduation Intentions:

(based on class of 2018)

4-yr. college or university	<b>45%</b>
2-yr. college	<b>39%</b>
Work	<b>11%</b>
Military	<b>3%</b>
Trade or business school	<b>1%</b>
Other	<b>1%</b>

### Scholarships Awarded:

Class of	Total Amount
2008	\$12,896,312
2009	\$12,444,874
2010	\$16,871,316
2011	\$14,574,059
2012	\$18,800,000
2013	\$22,500,000
2014	\$21,727,681
2015	\$20,611,788
2016	\$32,247,174
2017	\$38,176,244
2018	\$34,153,137

## CONTACTING I-SS

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## SCHOOL SAFETY

Iredell-Statesville Schools takes student safety seriously. As one of their top priorities, the district maintains partnerships with law enforcement at local and state levels. Iredell-Statesville Schools has enhanced security measures through the installation of camera systems, multi-tiered entrance systems, and having School Resource Officers (SROs) at each of their middle and high school campuses. The district believes in proactive law enforcement and has established Police substations at several campuses to increase visibility and strengthen their relationship with law enforcement.

## SCHOOL BOUNDARIES

Iredell County is unique as it provides the perfect blend of urban, suburban, and rural—with an abundance of agricultural resources, as well as sophisticated technical industry. As the county spans from lakeside to countryside, many school boundaries may be difficult to determine. To get an estimated idea of what schools are in your boundaries, visit: [www.iss.schoolwires.com/zones](http://www.iss.schoolwires.com/zones). For your exact attendance zones, please contact Joy Dorthy at 704.924.2027.

## DIGITAL RESOURCES

Iredell-Statesville is a district committed to digital learning. The district currently has a 1:1 ratio of Macbook Airs in grades 6-12, a 1:4 ratio of Mackbook Airs in grades 4-5, and a ratio of 1:4 iPads in grades K-3.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

Iredell-Statesville Schools is governed by a 7-member board of education, elected by the voters from each district. Members serve 4-year terms.

Current members and beginning dates of service are:

<b>District 1:</b> Mr. Ken Poindexter	12/1/18
<b>District 2:</b> Mr. Bill Howell	12/1/16
<b>District 3:</b> Mr. Samuel Kennington	10/9/17
<b>District 4:</b> Mr. Charles "Chuck" Gallyon, Vice-Chair	7/1/12
<b>District 5:</b> Mr. Martin Page, Chair	7/1/14
<b>District 6:</b> Mr. Charles Kelly	7/1/04
<b>District 7:</b> Mr. Todd Carver	12/1/18

The board of education meets twice each month. The first Monday of the month, board members conduct the committee of the whole meeting. The second Monday of the month, the general board meeting is held. Both of these meetings are open to the public.

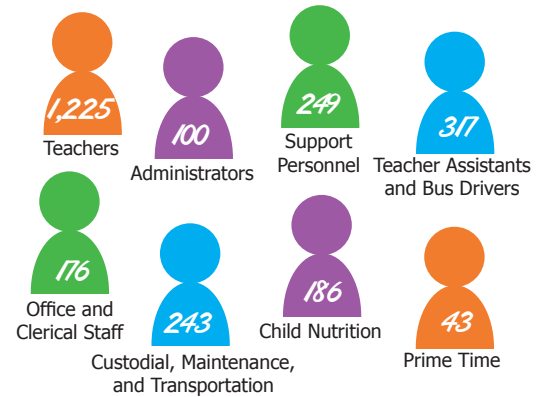
## SUPERINTENDENT

The work taking place in I-SS and the results being made for children under Superintendent Brady Johnson's leadership earned him the title of 2014 A. Craig Phillips North Carolina Superintendent of the Year.

The Iredell-Statesville Schools Strategic Plan is available at: <http://www.iss.k12.nc.us/strategicplan>

## EMPLOYEES

The 2017-2018 I-SS budget includes 2,539



### Employee Demographics:

	Asian	Black	White	Hisp.	Amer. Indian	Other
Teachers	.5%	4.8%	91.2%	2.9%	.6%	--
Principals	--	5.7%	94.3%	--	--	--

### Qualifications of I-SS Teachers:

**34.7%** hold an advanced degree  
**10%** are National Board Certified teachers

### Average Teaching Experience:

Years	0-3	4-10	10-20	21+
% of Teachers	15.5%	26.0%	36.9%	21.6%

## BUDGET

I-SS is committed to spending our tax payer's money wisely. The district has had 12 consecutive years of zero audit findings and a current fund balance of 6.2 million. Our budgets are available at [www.iss.k12.nc.us/budgetinfo](http://www.iss.k12.nc.us/budgetinfo).

