



INDIANA SCHOOLS TO WATCH MODEL SCHOOL—VISITOR'S GUIDE

East Washington Middle School



Designated in 2018

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2018-2019 School Statistics

Community: Pekin, IN (population 1,381), School District Population: 9,709, Oldest 4th of July Celebration in the United States
Enrollment: 455
Grade Levels: 5-8
School Schedule: 8:10-2:56

Student Demographics

3.3% Hispanic
92.2% White
1.1% African American
2.9% Multiracial
0.0% Filipino
0.2% Asian
0.0% Pacific Islander

50.3% Free/Reduced Lunch
0.004% English Learners

2015 AYP: A
2016 AYP: B
2017 AYP: B

School Characteristics and Replicable Practices

Academic Excellence

- 1:1 Environment
- Google Classroom
- Daily Morning Remediation
- Mastery Based Instruction
- Multiple Dual High School Credit Courses for 8th Graders
- Data and Planning based off NWEA
- Student Led Conferences (STAR)
- E-Learning Days
- Cross-Curricular, Real World Lessons
- EWMS is completely powered by solar energy. Solar education is imbedded in the curriculum.

- All students participate in the schools popcorn patch through planting, maintaining, and harvesting.

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Academic Excellence (continued)

- STEM Courses, Robotics Team, Coding Curriculum (Project Lead the Way)
- Transformation Rooms
- All teachers attend training at Ron Clark Academy
- Genius Hour Demonstrations
- “Day of the Arts” Celebrated Community-Wide
- After School Programming Daily until 6:00

Developmental Responsiveness

- Students are divided into 10 houses acting as their family and advisory component.
- Musketeer Creed Bootcamp (29 rules for life)
- 4 yearly competitions to meet the skills of all students: Athletic, Academic, Social, and Creative
- Student Leadership Team (The No Limit Squad)
- 1 Fulltime Guidance Counselor, 1 part time guidance counselor, 1 full time therapist through Associates in Counseling and Psychotherapy, 1 part time therapist through Life Springs
- Philanthropy Projects through Kid’s Club
- Anti-Bullying Curriculum through Guidance
- Free Meals and Childcare to Increase Parent Attendance and Involvement (Conferences, Parent Tech Night, PTO, etc)
- Active P.T.O.
- Yearly Career Fair
- Arts: Built in Dance Courses, School Rock Band, 2 Infinity, Performs Daily, Art Club, Band, Choir, Guitar Club
- Digital Citizenship Built in Courses and Curriculum
- The Amazing Shake (annual school-wide competition of soft skills)

Social Equity

- Co-Taught Courses for All Grades
- Inclusion Courses for All Grades
- High Ability Programming
- High School Courses Offered for 8th Grade
- Daily Remediation Time
- After School Programming Every Day until 6:00
- Grade Level Mastery Meetings (Red, Yellow, or Green)
- Spanish Speaking Staff Member for Students with ILPs
- Spanish Instruction in ELA Classes
- Cafeteria Hosts Cultural Days
- Rules on Tolerance in the Musketeer Creed (Boot Camp and Refresher Courses throughout the Year)
- Christmas Assistance Program
- Thanksgiving Assistance Program
- Clothing Assistance Program
- Partnerships with Ann’s Angel’s of Hope, CAPS, Associates in Counseling and Psychotherapy, and Life Springs, and Blue River Services

- Cultural Themed Transformation Rooms

Organizational Support

- Parent and Stakeholder Communication through PowerSchool, School Messenger, Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, and the School Website
- Parent Information Nights at School with Free Childcare and Free Meals
- Pineapple Days for regular in House Professional Development
- Project Lead the Way Partnership
- Project Ahead Partnership with Indiana University Southeast
- Teacher Led Committees: Evaluation Committee, Elevation Committee, Book Clubs
- New Teacher Mentor Program
- Leadership Cohort for Teachers Aspiring to Lead
- Vertical Curriculum Alignment Days with Elementary and High School Staff
- Annual Conferences and Professional Development (Wilson Education Center, ILearn, IMLEA, Ron Clark Academy, High Ability Conference, Monthly Technology Integration PD through Five-Star)