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# Four Schools. One Campus.

Nineveh-Hensley-Jackson United School Corporation (NHJ), Indian Creek Schools, is located in Trafalgar, Indiana, within southern Johnson County. Our school district encompasses the Johnson County townships of Nineveh and Hensley, and the Morgan County township of Jackson. NHJ is comprised of four individual schools:

> Indian Creek Elementary: Grades Pre-K - 2 | 530 Students

Indian Creek Intermediate: Grades 3 - 5 | 462 Students

Indian Creek Middle: Grades 6 - 8 | 486 Students

Indian Creek High: Grade 9 - 12 | 649 Students

We partner with Special Services of Johnson County and the Central Nine Career Center. Additionally, Indian Creek Learning Center provides an alternative learning environment for students in grades 10-12. Join our team!



# Where Excellence in Education is the Expectation

**Indian Creek** is a vibrant school system with a solid reputation for strong academics, competitive athletics, and high-quality fine arts. Families receive a great education and the convenience of one centrally located campus.

### **MISSION Statement**

Where Excellence in Education is the Expectation! We strive to accomplish this mission by adhering to these core values:

- Provide a rigorous and relevant curriculum based on local, state, and national standards
- Work together with parents and the community, so all students have the potential to learn and show academic growth
- Integrate technology to facilitate instruction, enhance student learning, and provide effective communication
- Maintain clean, safe, and updated facilities and equipment
- Encourage and develop a culture of excellence with our faculty, staff, students, programming, and facilities
- Model high standards of behavior so that character traits of service, compassion, integrity, and respect are evident in our daily actions

### **VISION Statement**

Nineveh-Hensley-Jackson United School Corporation will be recognized as a high performing, greatly respected, safe, encouraging, and dynamic environment that will prepare students and build community pride. We will accomplish this vision through:

- Developing a passion and commitment to excellence
- Hiring highly qualified and student-centered employees
- Implementing a strongly integrated technological curriculum
- Creating a culture of service
- Prioritizing financial expenses and maximizing resources
- Maintaining a continual improvement process
- Marketing our successes, accomplishments, and endeavors

# What NHJ Offers

- Continuous opportunity for staff members to improve their craft through weekly professional development opportunities
- Competitive salary and benefits packages which include medical, dental, life, and vision insurance options
- Opportunity to work with a variety of financial planning professionals to help prepare for long-term retirement strategies and goals
- Strong infrastructure with integrated classroom technology and the use of 1:1 devices to facilitate the learning experience for both teachers and students
- Large school experience set in a caring, small school and community environment
- Grant opportunities through the IC Education Foundation













SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS
UPGRADING OUR FACILITIES
BUILDING A BETTER COMMUNITY

# **Changing the Face of Indian Creek Schools**

In one of our largest projects in decades, Indian Creek Schools is constructing a new Fieldhouse and Auditorium. The projects replace an auditorium (constructed in 1976) and a student activities center. Both buildings will be attached to the rear of the high school, with the existing natatorium between them. The project is progressing on schedule, with a tentative opening date of mid-October.

#### **Fieldhouse**

- 68,000 square feet of space
- Suspended track
- Three regulation basketball courts
- Wrestling room
- Multipurpose room
- Weight room
- Cardio fitness room
- Concession area

#### **Auditorium**

- 26,700 square feet of space
- State-of-the-art auditorium
- 916 seats for audiences
- Theatrical lighting
- Fly curtails
- Scene shop
- Greenroom
- Orchestra pit and shell

# Additional Projects & Improvements

- New turf football field
- Resurfacing of the track
- New softball diamond
- New maintenance and transportation building
- Updated classroom & equipment at Creek Cattle Co
- Added boy's and girl's soccer teams
- Added Braves Food Pantry

### **Future Projects**

- New tennis courts
- New greenhouse
- Creek Manufacturing
- Expanded classrooms at ICES and ICIS
- Completion of the baseball/softball complex







# **Indian Creek Elementary School**

**Indian Creek Elementary School** serves the needs of young children from pre-kindergarten through second grade. ICES is unique because it is geared to meet the needs of the early childhood learner. The staff, administrators, and curriculum focus on creating opportunities for young people to grow academically, emotionally, and physically in a nurturing environment.

Notable features of ICES include a 1-to-1 model of technology using iPads in kindergarten and Chromebooks for 1st and 2nd grades. Technology is used with Google Classroom for student engagement. The students also use them for e-Learning days. Every classroom also has multimedia presentation equipment.

ICES has Title I, special education, music, art, physical education, library, and STEAM teachers. Our school has a counselor, a speech therapist, a psychologist, and a nurse who provide support services to students. Our assessment tools are Star Reading and Star Early Literacy. These assessments provide the teacher, principal, and Title I teacher with information to assist in individualizing instruction.





# **Indian Creek Intermediate School**

**Indian Creek Intermediate School** serves students in grades three, four, and five. Having only three grade levels allows opportunities to tailor our academic curriculum and special activities and programs to meet the unique needs of our students.

The ICIS staff is very caring and dedicated to giving each student the best education possible. ICIS staff is highly involved in the staff development process and creating a standards-based curriculum to make learning and instruction relevant to the students.

Lessons are designed to teach the curriculum while instilling sound morals and a positive work ethic, teaching kids personal responsibility. Cooperation in and out of the classroom is expected, and teachers present many opportunities for students to work in cooperative groups. Each student in the building has a Chromebook that they use throughout the day to meet the academic activities presented to them. The average class size is less than 24 students. For fifty-five minutes each day, students participate in Art, Music, or Physical Education. Our media specialist instructs students in library skills and oversees the school-wide reading incentive program that gets students excited about reading. Students have access to multiple electronic learning programs.

ICIS consistently places near the top of Johnson County in the standardized assessments given to students across the state. The student's language arts and mathematics ILEARN & IREAD scores are consistently the highest when comparing Morgan County schools. The third-grade students have passed the IREAD3 Assessment at 90% or higher on the first assessment for each year the assessment has been in existence. The success on the assessments is great, but preparing the students for future success beyond the Intermediate School is our school objective.





# **Indian Creek Middle School**

**Indian Creek Middle School** serves grades six, seven, and eight. ICMS stresses individual responsibility and traditional values. The required curriculum includes language arts, math, science, social studies, health, and physical education. Students will also rotate through a series of related arts courses, which include family and consumer science, business, STEM, general music, and visual art. Band, Choir, Spanish, and Intro to Agriculture are offered as electives.

Extracurricular activities available are varied and numerous. Among these are soil and livestock judging, academic competition teams, spell bowl, and ten different competitive athletic teams.

Students at ICMS follow an eight-period day, changing classes after each period. The school building supports a full-sized gym, an auditorium, and a state-of-the-art media center with an adjoining multimedia presentation and computer lab, a large group instruction area, multiple curricular computer/STEM labs, and wired and wireless network infrastructure. Each science classroom is equipped with a lab.

At ICMS, we are committed to utilizing technology to enhance student learning. ICMS has been a 1:1 school since the 2013-14 school year. Each student at ICMS has their own touchscreen Chromebook and case. These Chromebooks are the students to keep for the entire school year. Students will use the devices to assist in completing their in-class and independent assignments provided by the teaching staff.





# **Indian Creek High School**

**Indian Creek High School** serves grades nine through twelve and offers students the opportunity to learn through various teaching methodologies. Excellence, responsibility, communication, and content knowledge are emphasized to help prepare students with life-long problem-solving and decision-making skills.

The education received by ICHS students is a collaborative effort between students, teachers, parents, administrators, and the community. All students are given individual Chromebooks and opportunities for hands-on learning experiences. Internet success and research skills, along with digital citizenship skills, are interlaced throughout the ICHS curriculum. Students can pursue many courses, including AP, dual credit, fine arts, and practical application. Our academic teams do well in both local and state competitions. With the support of community businesses, our internship program affords qualified seniors real-world opportunities. Central Nine Career Center provides programs to educate and train students for today's job market needs. Our partnership with Ivy Tech and Indiana University—Bloomington provides students with the opportunity to earn college credit at reduced or no cost while in high school.

ICHS houses a full-sized gymnasium, fieldhouse, natatorium, media center with a learning lab, agricultural wing, alongside traditional classrooms. Fine arts classes enjoy large airy classrooms with all the tools for hands-on projects. Our CTE department has pathways available in fashion and textiles, education, early childhood, agriculture, and more for our students without traveling to the local career center. Our renowned agriculture department pushes students to excel in State and National competitions along with running our own farm-to-table cattle program.





# By the Numbers - NHJ United School Corporation District Financial Statistics

## **Budget by Fund:**

- Education Fund \$16,822,778.00
- Operations Fund \$5,180,105.00
- Debt Service Fund \$5,147,969.00
- Rainy Day Fund \$6,210,378.00
- Total Budget: \$33,361,230.00

#### **Assessed Valuation:**

- 2023: \$904,094,007
- 2022: \$729,373,253
- Increase from prior year \$174,720,754

2023 Circuit Breaker Estimate - \$60,000.00

# **Education Fund Operating Balance History:**

- June 30, 2023 \$1,255,931.73
- June 30, 2022 \$1,279,044.85
- June 30, 2021 \$3,080,779.26
- June 30, 2020 \$2,315,974.52
- June 30, 2019 \$2,322,900.23

### 2023 Budget Tax Rate:

Operations Fund - \$0.3632 Debt Service Fund - \$0.5251 Total - \$0.8883









# **District Staff**

**Director of Facilities - 1** 

Superintendent - 1
Assistant Superintendent - 1
Business Manager - 1
Director of Technology - 1
Director of Special Education - 1
Director of Food Services - 1
Director of Transportation - 1

Principals - 4
Assistant Principals - 3
Director of Communications - 1
Deputy Treasurer - 1
Director of Health & Wellness - 1
School Nurses - 3

Athletic Director - 1
Assistant Athletic Director - 1
Instructional Coach - 31
Certified Staff - 135
Classified Staff - 133
Bus Drivers - 31