

# Why Waterloo Schools?

Innovative Career and  
Technical Education

Rigorous and Relevant  
21st Century Curriculum

6th Largest  
School District In Iowa

Real World Experiences in a  
Culturally Diverse Setting

International Baccalaureate  
Academic Program

Leader In Me  
Lighthouse Schools

State and Nationally  
Recognized Fine Arts

Army JROTC  
Air Force JROTC

Numerous 4A/5A Athletic and  
Extracurricular Opportunities

Global Thinking, Limitless Choices

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## SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING & MATH (STEM)

Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM) education is alive through **middle school career modules, an observatory at Hoover Middle School, greenhouse at Carver Middle School** and 15 FIRST Lego League Junior teams, 14 FIRST Lego League teams, five FIRST Tech Challenge teams and one FIRST Robotics Competition team.



## DISTRICT DIVERSITY



Our district celebrates diversity! **Waterloo Schools received a 2016 Diversity & Inclusion Award** from the Cedar Valley Alliance & Chamber. Among our nearly 11,000 students, 45 different languages are spoken.

# WATERLOO SCHOOLS

A Nationally Recognized  
Culturally Diverse District



## LOOK INSIDE

to see why Waterloo Schools is a  
**GREAT CHOICE**  
for your child's education!

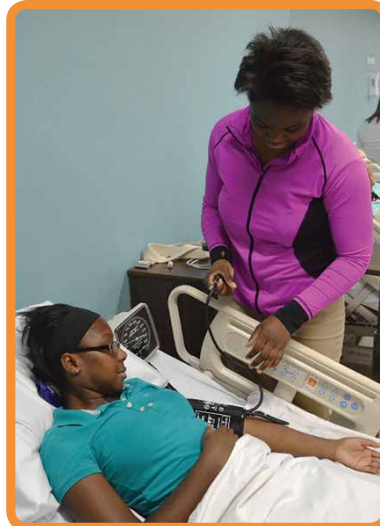


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**Waterloo SCHOOLS**



## CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Career & Technical Education programs (CTE) started this fall, housed in Central Middle School. High school students pursuing careers in nursing and digital graphics take these courses for part of their day. **Advanced Manufacturing, Early Childhood Education & Information Technology will be offered in Fall 2017.** The district is moving forward with CTE as existing funds are available.



## INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

Waterloo Schools is one of only two districts in the state to offer the International Baccalaureate program to high school students. It is the most academically rigorous program in the world. **Our first IB graduates secured \$600,000 in college scholarships.**



## FUTURE LEADERS

Our future leaders are learning leadership lessons thanks to Leader in Me. Nine of our schools (seven elementaries, one middle school and one high school) already infuse the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People into their building culture. **Hoover Middle School is one of only five middle schools in the world to achieve Lighthouse status.** Orange Elementary also achieved the elite status of Lighthouse School.



## GRADUATION RATE

**95% average graduation rate** for East & West High Schools and district-wide rate of 80% including alternative programs!



## ADVANCED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Hundreds of students are taking advantage of advanced enrichment through the PreK-12 Expanded Learning Program (ELP), talent development instruction and 90 courses ranging from Advanced Placement (AP) to college-level instruction. **High school students are earning hundreds of college credits**, nearly doubling the number earned in the past two years.



## COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Waterloo Schools Foundation recently made its



largest gift to date to the district—over \$230,000 toward Career and Technical Education. **The foundation has donated more than \$900,000 to Waterloo Schools in the past six years.** To learn more about this independent, nonprofit organization founded to support, enhance and promote excellent educational opportunities in Waterloo, visit [www.wcsfoundation.org](http://www.wcsfoundation.org).