



District *at a* Glance

Fall 2017

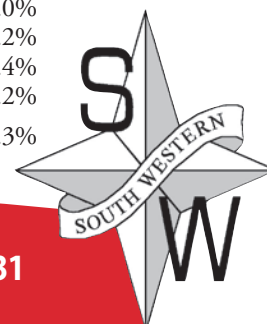
Learners have a voice and choice for self-directed, customized learning supported by a caring and progressive network of educators

The South Western School District vision was unanimously adopted by the Board of Directors in May, 2014. The goal of the vision is to develop structures and customize practices that enable learners to be successful in a world of ever-increasing change. As part of the district vision, young and adult learners need to have a voice and choice in personalizing their education. Learners need to be able to initiate, manage, and maintain their own learning to meet an ever-changing, unpredictable future. Extensive professional learning for the staff is being re-designed to model and assist with the shift from student to learner and teacher to facilitator of learning. An essential part of this plan includes the distribution of a technology device to all learners so they can learn anytime, anywhere. At this time, learners in grades 5-12 have received a district-owned technology device that enables access to resources to support their learning, in and out of the classroom, and to move at their own pace as they plan their educational choices for the future. At the present time, learners in grades K-4 have devices to use that remain in school. The goal for all learners is to develop the skills to be independent lifelong learners, confident to take on change, eager to be risk-takers and prepared with the skills to ensure their personal success, long after they have graduated from South Western High School.

District Size	56 Square Miles
Population	27,855
K-12 Enrollment	4,393
Baresville Elementary (Gr. K-5)	533
Manheim Elementary (Gr. K-5)	252
Park Hills Elementary (Gr. K-5)	537
West Manheim Elementary (Gr. K-5)	579
Total K-5 Enrollment	1,901
Emory H. Markle Intermediate (Gr. 6-8)	1,003
South Western High School (Gr. 9-12)	1,234
Other Programs	255
Average Daily Attendance:	
Gr. K-5	97.6
Gr. 6-8	96.7
Gr. 9-12	96.9
2017-18 Budget	\$67,028,600
Millage Rate	19.43
Funding Sources:	
Local	66.31%
State	32.86%
Federal/Other	0.83%
Per Student Expenses	\$15,523
(61.78% goes directly to student instruction)	

Faculty	308
Support Staff	295
Administrative/Confidential Staff	27
Faculty Experience:	
Percent under 5 years	15.9%
Percent over 20 years	20.5%
Percent with Master's Degree	82.1%
Faculty Average Salary	\$69,891
Free & Reduced Lunch Eligibility:	
Baresville Elementary	40.5%
Manheim Elementary	23.1%
Park Hills Elementary	41.8%
West Manheim Elementary	24.2%
E.H. Markle Intermediate	33.2%
South Western High School	31.8%
Ethnicity:	
White	88.3%
Black	2.7%
Hispanic	4.2%
Asian	2.0%
Indian or Alaskan Native	0.2%
Multi-Racial	2.4%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.2%
Graduation Rate:	94.3%
(Percent of students graduating in 4 years)	

District Profile



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A Tradition of Excellence

2017 Graduating Class Profile

Post-Secondary Choices

% Class of 2017 Future Plans

77%	Institutions of higher education
5%	Military
6%	Employment
12%	Undecided

College Board (SAT) Scores

	South Western		National	
	Verbal/Math	Total	Verbal/Math	Total
2012-13	510/523	1,033	496/514	1,010
2013-14	490/508	998	497-513	1,010
2014-15	502/509	1,011	495/511	1,006
2015-16	497/501	998	494/508	1,002
2016-17	547/547	1094	533/538	1,070

PA System of School Assessment

Listed below are 2016-17 PSSA/Keystone results for South Western School District

School	Math Advanced and Proficient	Reading Advanced and Proficient
Baresville	50.6%	72.0%
Manheim	59.2%	74.6%
Park Hills	45.3%	56.9%
West Manheim	49.5%	67.1%
EHMIS	45.1%	64.7%

School	Algebra I	Biology	English Literature
SWHS	86.8%	78.1%	83.6%

2017 Scores Unofficial

Athletic Opportunities

Fall Sports

Football – V, JV, 9th, 7th and 8th
 Field Hockey – V, JV, 9th, 7th and 8th
 Golf – V
 Tennis Girls – V
 Boys & Girls Soccer – V, JV
 Coed Cross Country – V, JH
 Volleyball (Girls) – V, JV
 Cheerleading – V, JV, 9th, *8th, *7th

Wrestling – V, JH
 Swimming – V
 Cheerleading – V, JV, 9th, *8th, *7th
 Competition Cheer – (winter only)

Spring

Baseball – V, JV
 Softball – V, JV
 Coed Track and Field – V, JH
 Tennis Boys – V
 Volleyball (Girls) – JH
 Boys & Girls Lacrosse – V, JV
 * Intramural Program

Winter

Boys & Girls Basketball – V, JV, 9th, 8th, 7th

Academic Information

High School

- A 4X4 semester block scheduling design
- A broad curriculum of over 150 different courses, including advanced placement & independent studies, designed to meet the personalized learning of our growing learner population

Middle School

- Strong emphasis on instructional and developmental needs of early adolescents
- Utilization of interdisciplinary teams
- Standards-aligned curriculum in all subject areas
- Standards-based grading and assessment practices
- Individualized and personalized instruction based on learner needs and interests

Elementary

- Strong emphasis on differentiated instruction and the individual strengths and needs of all learners
- Standards-based grading and assessment practices
- Strong literacy program for all learners in grades K-5 focused on guided reading, on-level reading, word work, and writing with the goal of all learners reading on grade level by the end of third grade
- Use of the Everyday Mathematics program for all learners in grades K-5 focused on Operations and Algebraic Thinking, Numbers and Operations, Measurement and Data, and Geometry

The Arts

The district supports a strong K-12 arts and music program. Art and music classes are part of the elementary and middle school curriculum. Music and art are electives at the high school. The instrumental programs begin in grade 4. Chorus and band are offered at the elementary and middle levels. A variety of curricular and extra-curricular music and art opportunities, as well as drama, are offered at the high school. Approximately 26% of high school students are involved in the arts. The district is regularly represented at district, regional, and state music competitions.

Miscellaneous Statistics

Class Size Average

Grades K-2	20	Grades 3-5	22
Grades 6-8	26	Grades 9-12	24

Expulsions Last Year

Drugs/Alcohol/Tobacco 13

Special Education

Gifted – 3.1% Learning Support – 11.6%

% Students in Advanced Placement Class who took Advanced Placement Examination and scored grade 3 or higher

Biology – 81%	Physics 2 – 100%
Calculus AB – 95%	Physics C: Elect/Mag – 100%
Chemistry – 0%	Physics C: Mechanics – 50%
English Language/Comp – 61%	Psychology – 84%
English Literature/Comp – 75%	Statistics – 51%
Music Theory – 0%	U. S. Government/Politics – 46%
Physics 1 – 100%	World History – 57%

Mission Statement

The South Western School District is dedicated to providing a continually improving educational environment, through a cooperative effort with the family and the entire community, in which all students are encouraged and expected to achieve their full potential, to express themselves clearly, to think reflectively, and to interact responsibly in preparation for lifelong personal growth.

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