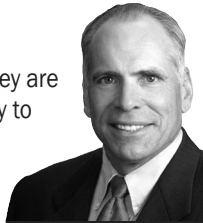


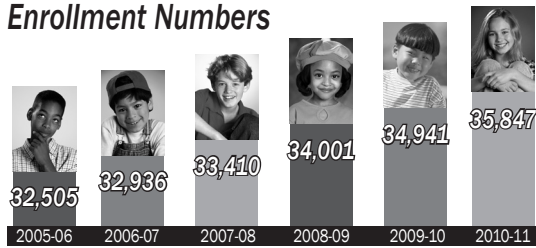
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Our goal is to continue improving our schools, one student at a time, until they are all successful. We invite our community to stay connected and involved with our schools as we work together to ensure an exciting future for our children.



Dr. Steve Joel  
Superintendent of Schools

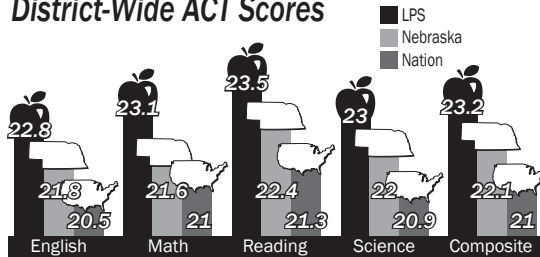
### Enrollment Numbers



In the past five years enrollment at Lincoln Public Schools has increased more than **10** percent.

- About **43** percent of our students qualified for free or reduced lunch.
- About **30** percent of our students came from ethnically diverse cultures.
- LPS students came from more than **50** different countries.

### District-Wide ACT Scores



The ACT test assesses a high school student's general educational development and is designed to measure the skills needed for success in the first year of college coursework.

The district-wide **23.2** composite score for LPS is only **.1** lower than our all-time high of **23.3**. The LPS score is a full point higher than the state, and two full points higher than the nation.

### How Can You Help?

Be an advocate by:

- Volunteering in the schools by reading to kids, tutoring, or sharing your skills.
- Attending school activities and asking how you can help.
- Supporting specific LPS projects by donating to Fund-A-Need at [foundationforlps.org](http://foundationforlps.org)
- Participating in business-school partnerships.



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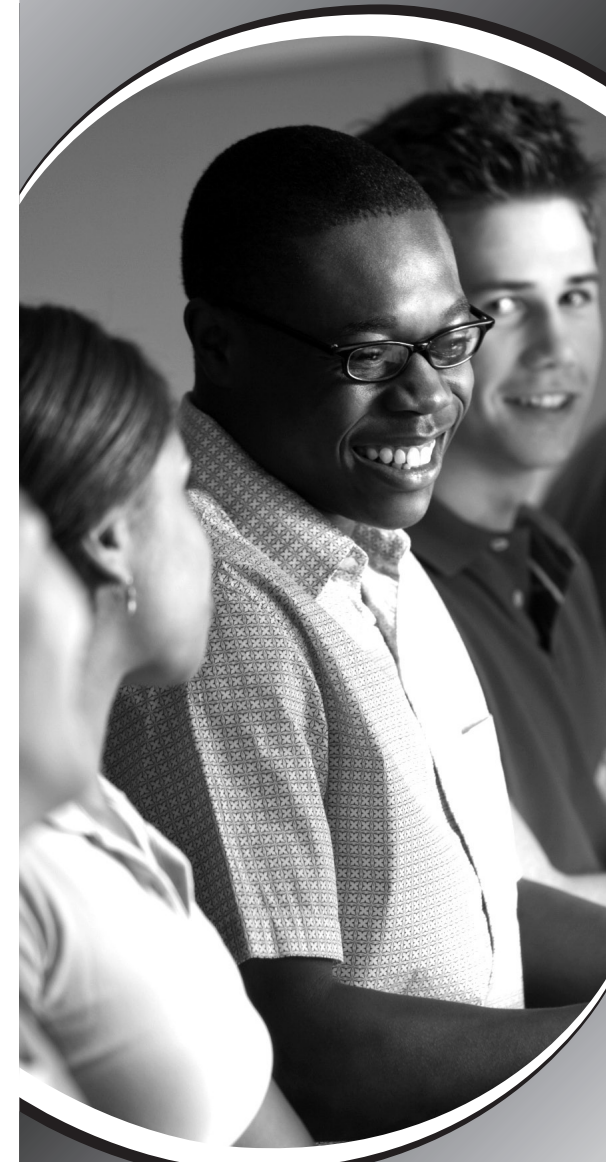
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## Southwest High School



### *Student performance requires a community-driven comprehensive system of supports*

#### Students

- 1,912 Students, grades 9-12
- 21% Gifted
- 12% Special Education
- 8% Mobility rate
- 19% Free and Reduced Lunch
- 17% Minority Students
- 94% Average daily attendance rate

#### Staff

- 132 Teachers: 201 total staff
- Full-time counseling staff, school case manager, and specialists in media, art, vocal and instrumental music, physical education, vocational education, technology and reading
- Nebraska Ambassador of Ethics and Sportsmanship
- Albert Einstein Fellow
- National Japanese Teacher Exchange Recipient
- 2006 National School of Excellence, a National Forensic League
- 2006 Outstanding School Award—Educational Theater Association

#### Technology

- 5 General purpose student computer labs (Mac & PC) including a mobile laptop lab
- Business, CAD and journalism labs
- Distance Learning lab capability
- eLearning Online Courses

#### Special Programs

- Differentiated Curriculum
- Advanced Placement Courses
- Nebraska Wesleyan Academy Dual Credit Opportunities
- Comprehensive Reading Program
- Outdoor Science Classroom

- We The People Program
- TeamMates
- Volunteers in School

#### School Day

- 8:15 a.m.-3:03 p.m.
- Block Schedule (4 x 4)
- Breakfast Program offered
- Snack Shop hours 7:00-8:15 a.m.
- Office hours 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

#### VIP Partners

- Old Chicago (2918 Pine Lake Road)
- Godfathers (S. 48th & Highway 2)
- Security First
- KIBZ 104FM
- Duteau Chevrolet Subaru
- Edward Jones Investments
- Union Bank & Trust (6801 S. 27th)
- ShopKo (6845 S. 27th)
- Lied Center for Performing Arts
- Famous Dave's
- SouthPointe Pavilions
- Landscapes Unlimited
- Red Robin
- B107.3 FM
- Wilderness Ridge
- Menards South
- Art FX
- McDonalds (27th & Pine Lake)
- Design Data
- Pizza Hut (South 10th)
- Super Saver (South 27th)
- Noodles & Company (Pine Lake)
- US Bank
- Southwest Pediatrics Denistry
- Texas Roadhouse
- Granite City
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- UNL-Office of Admissions
- Olive Garden
- Holiday Inn, South

#### Extracurricular Clubs/Activities

- LSW offers over 30 clubs based on student interest
- Superior Fine Arts Program
- 19 National Merit finalists past four years
- Superior Speech/Debate Program
- 46% of students are on Honor Roll with GPA of 3.5 or higher
- Competes at Class A (highest competitive level) of NSAA Sports & Activities
- Special Olympics (named Outstanding Nebraska School)

#### What's unique about Southwest?

- Offering Japanese and Latin
- Outstanding performing arts facilities
- Active student and parent community
- A. P. Classes in:
  - ✦ Drawing portfolio
  - ✦ Spanish
  - ✦ Language and Composition
  - ✦ Literature and Composition
  - ✦ Psychology
  - ✦ Maco Economics
  - ✦ World History
  - ✦ United States History
  - ✦ 2D and 3D Design
  - ✦ Statistics
  - ✦ Calculus
  - ✦ Government & Politics
  - ✦ Physics
- Opened in Fall 2002
- Outdoor class using wetlands and Wilderness Park
- (4x4) Block Scheduling