



NEW LENOX SCHOOL DISTRICT 122

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Lori Motsch



Dear New Lenox School District 122 Community,

As the 2021-2022 school year concludes, there is much to celebrate.

Having our students attend school in-person for the entire school year is at the top of the list. We had an extremely successful year due to the collaborative efforts of our students, families, and staff.

We continue to provide a wide variety of opportunities for our students. This year, the Board of Education approved new programs for the upcoming school year. We look forward to the addition of baseball, softball, and golf at the Jr. High level, beginning in 2022-2023.

In 2022, the New Lenox PTO was awarded Partner of the Year by the New Lenox Chamber of Commerce. The award exemplifies the exceptional parental dedication to the students and community of NLSD 122. In addition, the District remains in excellent financial condition. Take a moment to check out the financial highlights on page two.

We look forward to continuing to serve the amazing students of NLSD 122 and would like to thank our stakeholders for modeling the true meaning of community.

Have a safe and happy summer!

Dr. Lori Motsch
Superintendent



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| NLSD 122 NUMBERS | MAY, 2022 ENROLLMENT 5,073 | 720 STAFF MEMBERS |
| | \$12,803 PER PUPIL EXPENDITURE | 12 SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT PREKINDERGARTEN - 8TH GRADE |

NEW LENOX SCHOOL DISTRICT 122 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



NLSD 122's Financial Condition Remains Strong

- 7 consecutive years of balanced budgets
- 5-Year financial plan forecasting balanced budgets each year
- Continuing to accumulate and invest cash reserves
- No additional debt issued since 2013

Bond Restructuring Initiative

- Multi-year project to refinance and reduce past referendum debt
- Successful completion of project in April 2022 saving taxpayers over \$13M
- Bond payments will remain stable and will be paid off in 2032 tax year

Awards and Rankings

- Awarded the Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting for 2020-2021
- S&P Global upgraded bond rating to AA for strong finances
- Illinois State Board of Education Financial Recognition for stable finances
- Consistently high ratings on annual audits and inspections
- NLSD 122 spends 11% less than state average per student

School Buildings and Facilities

- Board of Education has continued to invest in the schools and facilities
- Long-term facilities plan to keep schools safe, clean, and modern
- Critical maintenance and repairs routinely addressed
- Older schools updated with new roofs, HVAC, flooring, and lighting
- Capital projects funded using existing cash reserves, not new debt

Visit our Business Office webpage for more information (nlsd122.org)



CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS

- 1:1 Technology for all students
- 1 Social Worker per school grades PreK-6
- 2 Social Workers at each Jr. High
- 1 Full Time Nurse at every school
- Full continuum of special education services
- Art, music, and PE offered PreK-8
- Numerous academic and recreational club offerings grades 1-8
- Competitive IESA athletic programs
- Exceptional band and orchestra programs



AWARD WINNING PTO

The New Lenox Chamber of Commerce awarded the New Lenox 122 PTO "The 2021 Partner of the Year". For more information, check out the NLSD 122 PTO on facebook, instagram, or at www.newlenoxpto.org

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On behalf of the NLSD 122 Board of Education, we want to extend our deepest gratitude to all staff, students, and community members who supported the District over the past few years. We are proud of your hard work, dedication, and patience. Throughout the ups and downs, our students have continued to impress us with their ability to adapt and thrive. We look forward to witnessing their further growth and continued success in the future.

~President Rhonda Starklauf