

Indian Land Intermediate

Warriors

Our demographics

School principal: Brad Johnson **Began at school:** 2021 **In district:** 2010 **In education:** 2010
Grades served: 5th-6th **Enrollment:** 976 **Economic status:** 16.1% free & reduced lunch
Diversity: 74% White, 12% Black or African-American, 5% Asian, 2% Hispanic/Latino, 1% American Indian or Alaska Native, 6% Two or More Races
Number of teachers: 56 **Classified:** 10 **Administrators:** 3 **Counselors:** 2 **Media specialist:** 1
Other: Reading Coach, Instructional Coach, Nurse, ESOL, School Psychologist, PT, OT, Speech
Teachers with advanced degrees: 67.3% **Teacher attendance:** 95.4% **Student attendance:** 95.1%

Our mission

Empower each child to think big, dream bigger and cultivate a caring community where ALL learners are exceptional communicators, collaborators, creators and critical thinkers.

Our facilities

Date main building was built: 1979 **Date of renovations:** 2008, 2016
Square feet: 165,000 **Number of computers:** 968 **Number of classrooms:** 53
Specialty areas: 1 science lab, 1 STEM lab, 2 computer labs, Gym, 1:1 with Chromebooks, 2 art rooms, 1 Interactive Media Center

Our school programs

- **Warrior Dreams** – The school’s motto, “Think Big, Dream Bigger”, allows the students to explore their ideas and dreams with no limits. This also includes our school wide expectaions:
 - Dream 1: Be Independent.
 - Dream 2: Be an Advocate.
 - Dream 3: Be Considerate.
 - Dream 4: Be Inspiring.
 - Dream 5: Be Successful.
- **Worthy Warrior** – School staff nominate students at the culmination of each semester to highlight students who make good choices, have met improvement goals, and are examples of our motto, “Think Big, Dream Bigger”. The students join together with the counselors and administration for an ice cream social and games. Each student who is nominated receives a certificate and post card.

- **Morning Announcements** – Each day Mr. Johnson features students on the morning announcements who have been caught following the Warrior Dreams.
- **Media Center** – The media center is a maker space location for students. Not only does the media center house our collection of books, they also have a variety of hands-on activities: legos, puzzles, art stations, and student centered activities that change throughout the year.

After school programs

- **FITKids**

Our parents/parent support programs

- **Parent/Teacher Organization (PTO)**
- **School Improvement Council (SIC)**
- **Weekly Parent Email Updates**
- **Active Facebook Page**

Our school strengths

- **Unique experience for transitioning students** – Indian Land Intermediate houses only two grade levels; fifth and sixth. This provides a unique learning opportunities for students, where they are provided with both elementary and middle school based experiences and schedules. It allows teachers to focus curriculum and activities that are developmentally appropriate to students in these transitional age groups.
- **Diverse academic and enrichment programs** –In addition to the students' core classes, they take four Encore classes each year. These could include: physical education, art, computers, chorus, band, music, or STEM. Gifted/talented programs are available for students who excel academically in both fifth and sixth grade.
- **PTO program** – The PTO at Indian Land Intermediate is involved in the yearly and monthly planning with the administrators. The PTO works actively to promote school and community involvement. The PTO supports both teachers and the parents. They worked to raise funds for school improvement, boost school morale, and host community gatherings at the school.
- **Small learning communities** – Indian Land Intermediate creates small learning communities within a large school; each grade level maintains its own programs, projects and processes while still functioning as a part of a larger school. Each grade level team is broken into two smaller teams. Weekly team meetings allow for very consistent instructional practices in different classrooms. Teachers also meet regularly with administrators and instruction coaches to look at school wide procedures, data, and school wide initiatives.

Our honors & awards

- Teachers have been recipients of multiple J. Marion Sims Foundation grants for a variety of classroom projects and programs.
- ILIS is host to teacher candidates from a variety of universities.
- Six National Board Certified educators teach at Indian Land Intermediate School.
- Teachers have been recipients of Partners for Youth grant.
- Winthrop University Partnership school.