About
Highland Lakes
Elementary School

- Principal: Donna Gehringer
- Grade Levels: Pre K-5
- Enrollment: 540
- School Hours: 8:35 a.m. - 2:55 p.m.
- Mascot: Panther
- Before and after care: YMCA onsite
- Teaching Staff: Approximately 22% of faculty members have advanced degrees
- Community partnerships: YMCA, Highland Lakes Community Association and Kiwanis Club
- Computers and technology: All classrooms fully equipped with student computer stations, All Classrooms equipped with SmartBoards, schoolwide access to Computer, iPad and Kindle labs
- Exceptional Student Education services: Self-Contained Emotionally Behaviorally Disabled Unit, Varying Exceptionalities Resource, Full Time Gifted Program, Speech Language, Occupational and Physical Therapy Services for qualified students

District Vision: 100% Student Success
District Mission: Educate and prepare each student for college, career and life
Academic Achievements

• 2017-2018 FSA data shows a double digit increase in intermediate grade ELA proficiency
• 2017-2018 FSA data shows double digit gains in 5th grade math and science proficiency
• FSA data shows ELA, mathematics and science scores for students in grades 3-5 ahead of district and state averages
• 70% of students performing proficient on the Mathematics FSA
• 60% of students performing proficient on the Science Statewide Assessment
• 2018-19 FSA data shows a 60% increase in L25 ELA Proficiency

Points of Pride

• High Performing School for 19+ years
• Golden School Award for Community Involvement
• (Eight) National Board Certified Teachers
• National Alliance for Healthier Generation Silver Distinction
• Dedicated Science Lab for hands on learning
• 5 Star Award for Community Involvement
• Energy Star certified school

Special Services & Programs

• Gifted Education Program
• Extended Learning Program
• Enhanced Music Ensemble
• Peer Mediation/Character Education
• STEM Clubs
• ESL Hour of Code
• Bricks 4 Kidz
• Drama Kids
• Panther News Crew
• Safety Patrol
• Art Club
• Students Targeted for Educational Performance (STEP)
• Principal’s Multicultural Awareness Committee
• Enhanced Mathematics
• Lunch Pals
• The Players Sports Academy (PSA)

"Highland Lakes Elementary is focused on continuous student-centered school improvement goals that maintain high academic performance levels and excellence for which our community is known. We pride ourselves on being a community driven school with high levels of family involvement."

Donna Gehringer, principal