



Oakland Hills



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Welcome to Oakland Hills!

The Oakland Hills Neighborhood Association and your neighbors welcome you to the community.

The Oakland Hills at Geist neighborhood surrounds Old Oakland Golf Club and spans from 63rd Street to 75th Street, extending west from Sunnyside Road to Oaklandon Road to the east. The community includes 327 homes accessed through seven neighborhood entrances. Oakland Hills features rolling terrain, mature wooded areas, and abundant wildlife rarely found in an urban setting. Residents also enjoy the manicured landscape of the golf course and convenient access to Geist Reservoir and Fort Benjamin Harrison State Park, both located just minutes away.

The Oakland Hills Neighborhood Association (OHNA) is a voluntary homeowners association operated by resident volunteers. The Association is responsible for maintaining the neighborhood's entrance landmarks, organizing and promoting community social events, and overseeing covenant compliance. Oakland Hills Street Lighting, a subsidiary of OHNA, manages the collection and remittance of mandatory streetlight assessments for applicable homes.

Your participation and support are essential to preserving strong property values and fostering a connected, welcoming community. We encourage your active membership, as the continued success of our neighborhood depends on the involvement, ideas, and financial support of our residents. Please join OHNA—together, we strengthen the community we are proud to call home.

We hope this welcome booklet is a helpful resource as you settle into the community. Inside, you will find information about the OHNA Board of Directors, a brief neighborhood history, a map of Oakland Hills, and guidance on the approval process for exterior property changes. We also partner with Old Oakland Golf Club to host select community social events at their clubhouse. This booklet includes information about the club, its amenities, and available membership opportunities.

Welcome home!

A Brief History of the Oakland Hills Neighborhood Association (“OHNA”)

Founded in 1994, OHNA is the sole organization dedicated to representing the interests of Oakland Hills residents and to supporting improvements, maintenance, and enhancements throughout the subdivision.

OHNA is governed by a board of volunteer Oakland Hills residents. The Association does not employ a professional management company; however, it does contract bookkeeping services. All other responsibilities are handled by resident board members and neighborhood volunteers.

In 1994, a group of engaged Oakland Hills residents came together through a series of informal meetings to establish the Oakland Hills Neighborhood Association (OHNA) as an incorporated nonprofit organization. At the time, Oakland Hills was only seven years old, with development completed through the first four phases. Neighborhood entrances lacked identification, landscaping, and lighting, and common areas suffered from overgrowth and debris. The formation of OHNA marked the beginning of a coordinated effort to enhance and maintain the subdivision.

After incorporation, OHNA registered with the Indianapolis Department of Metropolitan Development and began monitoring zoning requests to help protect property values in Oakland Hills. The Association also established regular communication with the Cities of Indianapolis and Lawrence to represent resident interests and advocate for appropriate land use and municipal services.

To date, OHNA has invested hundreds of thousands of dollars in enhancing neighborhood entrances, along with additional funding for landscape maintenance and the installation of irrigation systems at all entrances. The Association has remained actively engaged in representing resident interests in local development and improving the subdivision’s overall appeal. OHNA has also partnered with the developer on joint initiatives that resulted in additional financial investment and neighborhood enhancements. The Association continues to maintain productive relationships with local government on matters affecting Oakland Hills residents.

The success of OHNA depends on resident support through dues and donations.

Oakland Hills Neighborhood Association Mission Statement

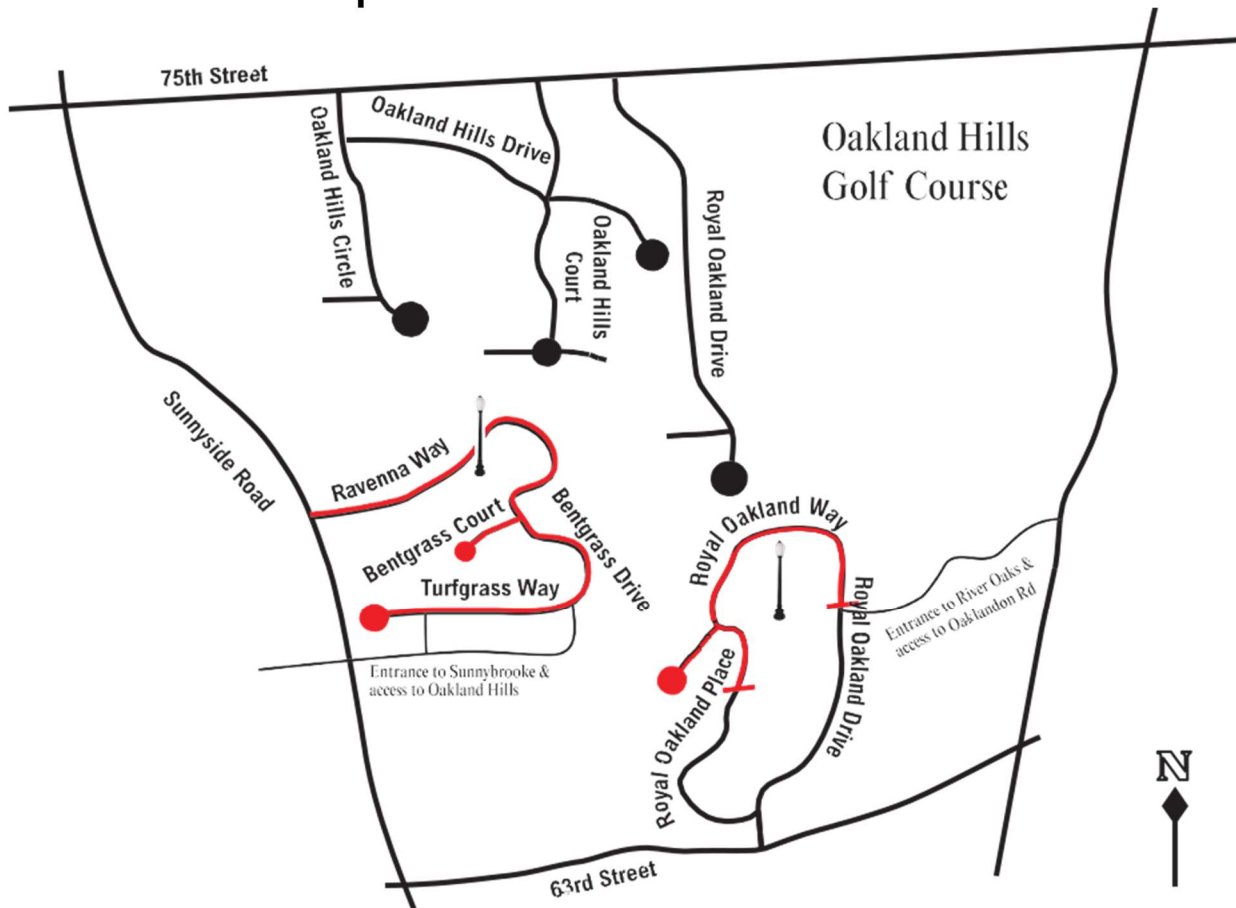
“OHNA is dedicated to the preservation of our community through beautification of the neighborhood, maintenance of architectural integrity, and promotion of interaction among members.”

Board Members

The Oakland Hills Board of Directors currently consists of the positions listed below. Residents voluntarily fill these positions and are focused on serving the needs of the community. If you have any questions about your neighborhood, or you would like to learn more about the board, please feel free to email a board member.

Person	Job Title	Responsibilities	Email
Bryce Williams	President		thebryceswrite@gmail.com
Open Position	Vice President		
Ed Brown	Treasurer		eddie-eagle@comcast.net
Open Position	Board Member	Architectural Guidelines	
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Oakland Hills Street Map



Entrances to Oakland Hills are located off:

75th Street

Oakland Hills Circle
Oakland Hills Court
Royal Oakland Drive

Sunnyside Road

Ravenna Way

63rd Street

Royal Oakland Drive

Oakland Hills Streetlighting Sections are highlighted in red.

Section 6: Part of Royal Oakland Place and Royal Oakland Way (Lots 190-219)

Section 7: Royal Oakland Drive (Lots 220-250)

Section 8: Turfgrass Way (Lots 261-293)

Section 9A: Bentgrass Drive (Lots 294-303)

Section 9B: Bentgrass Court and Bentgrass Drive (Lots 304-312)

Section 10: Ravenna Way (Lots 313-344)

Oakland Hills Neighborhood Association – OHNA

Board Meetings

OHNA Board Meetings are typically held at the Old Oakland Golf Club clubhouse at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month, and all members are welcome to attend. Members are encouraged to contact a board member to confirm the specific date, time, and location. An annual meeting for the general membership is held each March or April.

OHNA Website – www.ohna.org

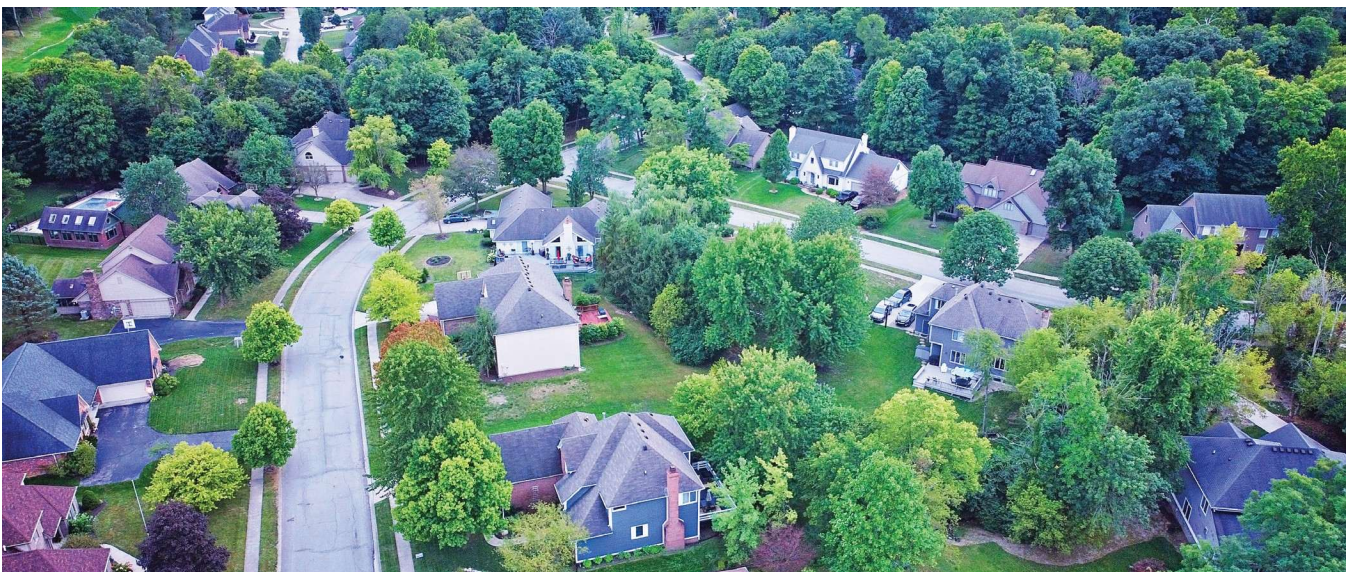
The OHNA website provides contact information, covenants, and other helpful documents. Questions regarding the website may be directed to the OHNA Webmaster, Ann Seefeldt (annseefeldt@gmail.com).

OHNA Membership and Dues

OHNA membership dues are collected annually by calendar year. Dues are \$205 per year and are invoiced in January. As a voluntary association, OHNA relies on resident support to fund entrance landscaping, including walls, irrigation, lighting, mowing, and plantings, as well as community social events.

Oakland Hills Streetlight Division

Streetlights are mandatory in Sections 6, 7, 8, 9A, 9B, and 10 of Oakland Hills, as required by Lawrence City code, which mandates maintenance by a neighborhood association. OHNA administers this responsibility through Oakland Hills Street Lighting (OHS), a division of OHNA. Each lot in these sections is billed annually for streetlight maintenance and electricity costs. This mandatory assessment is separate from OHNA dues and is \$50 for members and \$55 for non-members. Invoices are mailed in June. Failure to pay the assessment by the required deadline will result in a lien being placed on the property.



Frequently Asked Question and Answers

What can I do if my streetlight(s) are out or need service?

Streetlight issues should be reported directly to AES Indiana. When submitting a report, please provide the nearest house address and the identification number located on the light pole. AES typically responds within five days of a reported issue.

What can I do about potholes/road issues?

Residents may report potholes or road repair issues directly through the City of Lawrence website at: <http://www.cityoflawrence.org/report-street-issue>

What do I need to do if I want to make changes to my property?

Most exterior changes or alterations to properties within Oakland Hills require prior approval from the OHNA Architectural Review Committee before work begins. Detailed guidelines and application requirements are outlined in this booklet and are also available on the OHNA website. Homeowners are encouraged to review these materials and submit the appropriate application before starting any exterior project.

The OHNA Board and property owners do not have authority over vacant lots or unoccupied homes. Residents may report concerns such as standing water or overgrown grass by contacting the City of Lawrence Department of Public Works at (317) 545-8787 or by visiting <http://www.cityoflawrence.org/code-enforcement>.



Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

When does the OHNA Board Meet?

OHNA Board Meetings are customarily held at the Old Oakland Golf Club clubhouse at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month.

Does OHNA have social events?

Occasionally OHNA has social events. *Stay Up to Date and join the [OHNA FacebookGroup](#) - Check out OHNA Scheduled Events at www.ohna.org*

Does OHNA own any property?

No – OHNA does own Christmas decorations, signs and display boards.

What does maintenance of the entrances include?

Entrance maintenance includes irrigation, lighting, planting, mowing, trimming, and masonry. Coordination among the Township, contractors, OOGC, and OHNA is required, with all quotes and bids approved by the OHNA Board

Where can I get copies of the OHNA covenants?

Covenant documents are available on the OHNA website and vary by the Association's ten sections. Links are provided by OHNA upon move-in and are typically included by realtors during the closing process

Can Oakland Hills residents use the golf course cart paths?

Yes, with limitations. Old Oakland Golf Club permits pedestrian access to Oakland Hills residents on the golf course cart paths **during non-golfing hours only**. Access is restricted between **8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.**, and golf activity always takes priority. Bicycles, scooters, skateboards, and other non-golf vehicles are prohibited. Pets must be leashed, and owners are responsible for cleanup.

Covenants and Architectural Guidelines

NOTE: The full covenants and architectural guidelines are available on the OHNA website at www.ohna.org.

The Architectural Review Committee is responsible for coordinating the Architectural Guidelines and Covenants. The Committee has developed architectural and development control guidelines, which are available on the OHNA website at www.ohna.org under the “Covenants” tab on the home page.

Note: All changes to the exterior of a home or property must be approved by the Architectural Review Committee prior to the commencement of work. OHNA is responsible for covenant compliance for all improvements other than new home construction.

Oakland Hills Architectural and Development Control Guidelines

All changes or alterations to properties within the Oakland Hills subdivision must receive approval from the Architectural Review Committee prior to commencement. The Committee oversees these Guidelines and is responsible for reviewing and approving all applications on behalf of the Oakland Hills Neighborhood Association, Inc. Exceptions to this requirement are outlined in the Guidelines and include residence paint or stain color, roof material replacement, mailbox replacement, and general property maintenance. The Architectural Review Committee Improvement Application is available on the OHNA website under Architectural Guidelines.

To receive official approval from the Architectural Review Committee, an application must be completed and submitted prior to any planned construction or alteration. The application must be received by the Committee at least fourteen (14) days before the anticipated start date. Homeowners are strongly encouraged not to sign contracts or enter into agreements for proposed work that could result in the loss of a deposit or down payment if the application is denied. The Architectural Review Committee assumes no responsibility for losses incurred when an application is not submitted or received within the required timeframe.

NOTE: The Old Oakland Golf Club will have final approval of projects located adjacent to or within sight of the Old Oakland Golf Course.

NOTE: In addition to the Oakland Hills Architectural and Development Control Guidelines, projects submitted to OHNA on an Improvement Application are also subject to the requirements of the City of Lawrence.

All contractors working in Lawrence must be licensed by the city to seek permits for projects. Do-it-yourselfers must have permits as well, but electrical or HVAC projects require the use of a licensed contractor. Permits are required for most of the types of projects included in the Oakland Hills Architectural and Development Control Guidelines.

Failure to seek appropriate permits and licenses can result in a stop-work order requiring that all work must immediately cease. Following a stop-work order hefty fines will be imposed by Lawrence (five times the permit cost plus a \$500 fine and/or up to \$2500 fine for ignoring the stop-work order). OHNA strongly recommends that the homeowner visit www.cityoflawrence.org/public-works/permits-guidelines or call (317)545-8787 before undertaking any project to ensure that all appropriate permits/licenses are acquired before projects begin.

Homeowners also need to be mindful of utilities requirements when digging for landscaping, fencing, and many other projects. At least 48 hours before digging homeowners need to call the "Call Before You Dig" hotline at 8-1-1 or fill out an online request at www.811now.com so that appropriate utilities surveys can be completed before digging begins.

Approval must be obtained for the following improvements:

- FENCING
- MINIBARNS, DOG KENNELS/HOUSES, ARBORS, & AWNINGS (Mini barns, storage sheds, and other accessory structures such as dog houses and kennels will be denied unless they can be placed under a deck and not easily seen)
- DECKS & PATIOS
- PORCHES, SCREENED-IN PORCHES, ROOM & GARAGE ADDITIONS
- GAZEBOS
- PLAYHOUSES
- PLAY STRUCTURES
- SWIMMING POOLS, POOL FENCING, & POOL HOUSES
- BASKETBALL GOALS/COURTS
- ANTENNAE: TV, RADIO, & SATELLITE
- LAWN ORNAMENTS
- LANDSCAPE DESIGN/BEDS EXCEEDING 40% OF FRONT/BACK YARD
- TREE PLANTING & REMOVAL
- PERMANENT & TEMPORARY SIGNAGE
- LIGHTS
- DRAINAGE
- RETAINING WALLS
- DRIVEWAYS

ONCE AGAIN, THE SPECIFICS OF APPROVALS NEEDED AND THE APPROPRIATE FORM FOR SEEKING APPROVAL FROM THE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE ARE FOUND ON THE OHNA *website: www.ohna.org*.

To: Oakland Hills Neighborhood Association

From: Old Oakland Golf Club Management Team

Date: February 2026

Re: Old Oakland Golf Club Update

Old Oakland completed a very successful 2025 and would like to thank the OHNA residents that have supported the club with their membership. We know there are other options in our area, and we will always do our best to ensure you are satisfied with your club experience. In August 2025, Old Oakland completed a new 1,200 sq. ft. patio that includes fire pits, shade sails, soft seating, and spectacular views of the east golf course. We will endeavor to make facility upgrades in the coming years to positively impact the member experience.

Golf Course and Golf Path Access

We recognize that many of you purchased your homes in Oakland Hills due to the proximity of the golf course. However, Old Oakland Golf Club is a privately owned, members only facility and not affiliated with Oakland Hills Neighborhood Association. Old Oakland Golf Club wants to be a good neighbor and does allow pedestrian access to Oakland Hills Neighborhood Association residents during non-golfing hours for cart path use only. Due to safety concerns, we restrict access between 8:00 am and 8:00 pm. Considering golf traffic will always have priority, we request that if you see golfers in the area you are walking to please take precautionary measures to avoid injury from misguided golf balls. In addition, Old Oakland prohibits the use of bicycles, skateboards, scooters, or any other vehicles except for golf cars owned and operated by Old Oakland members. Pets must always be on a leash, and owners are expected to clean up after them.

Membership Opportunities

We would like to welcome all our OHNA neighbors to consider the benefits of membership to our wonderful golf and social club. We are committed to providing outstanding service every time you visit the club. With all the improvements and planned activities, Old Oakland Golf Club has become the best private club value in Northeast Indianapolis. For membership information or to schedule a tour, please contact our Membership and Marketing Director, Sarah Lobe, at 317.823.4791 ext. 101, or sarah@oldoaklandgolfclub.com. We value our relationship with the Oakland Hills Neighborhood Association and look forward to seeing you at the club.

Sincerely,
Scott Nelson, General Manager
Scott@oldoaklandgolfclub.com

HISTORY OF LAWRENCE, INDIANA

Since it served as a wilderness stop along a Native American trail in 1823, Lawrence, Ind., has played many roles and has evolved into an important destination community in northeast Marion County.

The municipality was platted in 1849 as a triangular tract bounded by 42nd Street, Franklin Road and Pendleton Pike. It was then called Lanesville. Other names subsequently were tried, including Jamestown after the founder James White. In 1866, the Marion County Commissioners approved the name Lawrence – also the name of the surrounding township – after the naval hero of the War of 1812, Capt. James Lawrence, who is remembered for the command, “Don’t give up the ship!”

In March 1901, Lt. Col. Russell B. Harrison came to Indianapolis to bury his father, President Benjamin Harrison. Here, the younger man learned about the War Department’s decision to close the Indianapolis Arsenal, which had supplied munitions to Union troops during the Civil War. (During the Civil War, the arsenal was located near the Statehouse; it later was moved to Woodruff Place, on the near east side of Indianapolis.)

The president’s son persuaded the War Department that Indianapolis deserved a military presence to commemorate the arsenal’s role in fighting slavery and maintaining the Union. In 1904, the War Department purchased land on the northeast side, nine miles from downtown. In 1906, President Theodore Roosevelt dedicated Fort Benjamin Harrison, which would serve as a troop reception center, classroom and soldier support facility during all major military conflicts from World War I to Desert Storm.

In 1929, the residents of Lawrence — then about 600 — voted to make their village a town. By 1940, the population had grown to 1,048; by 1950, Lawrence had 1,999 residents. A special census in 1956 showed 7,863 residents, and talk began of incorporating as a fifth-class city.

Morris Settles, the first mayor of Lawrence, served the city for 24 years, 1960-1983. Settles predicted a clash of interests between the large and small cities within Marion County. In 1969, Indianapolis and Marion County adopted a unified government structure. Lawrence was one of four “excluded cities,” so it retained its city government, though its citizens were given the right to vote for the mayor of Indianapolis and their representatives on the Indianapolis/Marion County City-County Council as well as the Lawrence mayor and other elected officials.



Lawrence began a new chapter in 1991, when the Base Realignment and Closure process earmarked Fort Harrison as one of many military bases across the country that would be closed. Closure came in 1995, but redevelopment of the fort has taken hold in a major way. The state of Indiana took ownership of 1,700 of the fort’s 2,500 acres to develop Fort Harrison State Park, The Fort Golf Course and the State Park Inn. Lawrence continues to have a strong military presence led by the more than 4,000 employees at the Defense Finance and Accounting Services Center, Lawrence’s largest employer. The Army Air Force Exchange Service built a post exchange and commissary at the former post in 2007 and the Indiana National Guard Lawrence Armory opened its Readiness Training Center there in 2011. Under construction is a new Armed Forces Reserve Center, with the 310th Expeditionary Sustainment Command, where more than 1,200 reservists will participate in drill each month. The City of Lawrence and the Fort Harrison Reuse Authority, work together to redevelop the fort as a mixed-use village town center for Lawrence.



Hello Lawrence!

I am thrilled and honored to embark on this new journey to serve our city as Mayor. Our first month has been off to an exciting start, with new hires and appointments, as well as the welcoming back of many familiar faces that have served our city for years.

During the last year, many of you may have heard me say “It’s time!” To me, that turn of phrase has meant so many things in so many contexts. It means it’s time to bring new, forward-looking leadership to our city. It’s time to take the momentum of the past administrations and move forward to achieve our goals. And of course, it’s time to unite our city and make sure we are connected on a deeper level than ever before.

It’s time to offer an example of leadership that understands that the power of elected office, put to its highest and best use, brings more and different people in, instead of keeping them out. It’s time to demonstrate that power, put to its greatest purpose, empowers others—even, and sometimes especially, when those “others” don’t look like we do, or love like we do, or think or worship or even vote like we do. It’s time to live out the promise of being a welcoming, inclusive community. With the challenges we face as a city and community, we know one thing for sure—it’s time we come together and work hard to make Lawrence a better place to live, work, and raise our families. I accept that charge as a humble, servant leader, and I promise you I won’t let you down. Here’s to the beginning of a new work in progress—one that will strive to serve all and welcome everyone. I know we can achieve great things when we work together.

All the best,
Deborah Whitfield
Mayor, City of Lawrence

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Lawrence Resources

Have questions or need help on anything related to the city of Lawrence? Call or use the website above.

The Greater Lawrence Township Area is one filled with thriving neighborhoods and friendly neighbors dedicated to maintaining its reputation as a great place to live, work, play, and raise a family. The Greater Lawrence Chamber of Commerce works to make this livability possible by successfully collaborating with various businesses and community partners to advance the local economy. Lawrence residents are well known throughout the community for being engaged, service-oriented, and festive—after all, the annual Lawrence 4th Fest hosts the only 4th of July parade of its kind in Marion County and has become a time-honored pastime for thousands of Hoosiers like me. Exciting traditions like this demonstrate why Lawrence is a great home for many and a wonderful destination for others to visit, play, shop, see and do. Lawrence is filled with residents, organizations, and businesses that make it an integral part of Marion County.



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Greetings!

It is my pleasure to welcome you to Lawrence Township Schools! We are the fifth largest school corporation in Indiana, serving over 16,000 students and 2,400 employees.

Our school corporation has a history of academic excellence and a reputation as a leader in K-12 education. While we are proud of this heritage, our work is ongoing and ever changing because students and families deserve progressive learning communities where innovation and critical thinking are encouraged and valued for both students and staff. As a result, our efforts are focused on providing school environments where all students are encouraged to reach their potential academically, socially, and civically. We are committed to excellence. Every student. Every day.

We invite you to learn more about our people, curriculum, athletics, performing arts, and programs starting with the Early Learning Centers and continuing through the high schools and Center for Innovation and Technology. There are so many choices for our students; the only limit is time. I am proud to serve the patrons of this community in developing and preparing our young people for their futures.

Yours in Education,

Dr. Shawn A. Smith
Superintendent of Schools

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