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## PROGRESS REPORT ON SCHOOL DISTRICT REORGANIZATION IN IOWA

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There are three major reasons for reorganizing school districts:

1. TO PROVIDE THE BEST POSSIBLE EDUCATION FOR ALL OF THE CHILDREN EN ALL OF THE SCHOOLS OF THE STATE.
2. TO PROVIDE QUALITY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AT THE LEAST POSSIBLE COST.
3. $\frac{T O}{O F} \frac{P R O V I D E}{\text { OUR }} \frac{\text { A FAIR AND EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF THESE COSTS AMONG ALL SEGMENTS }}{\text { STY }}$ OF OUR SOCIETY.

Most sections of the country are much farther along on school district reorganization than Iowa. Some forty years ago there were well over 200,000 school districts in the United States. Ten years ago the number had dropped to about 100,000 . Today there are 40,605 districts. Iowa, Nebraska, and the two Dakotas have, until recent years, lagged behind most other states in reorganizing schools. During this school year these four Midwestern states are educating only a little over three per cent of the public school childeen of the nation, yet they have more than 25 per cent of all the public school districts in the entire United States!

## Approvals at Record Rate

School patrons in lowa are, however, beginning to approve reorganizations of their local districts at a record rate. We have led the nation during the past four years in; (a) the reduction in number of districts of all types (high school and non-high school); (b) the elimination of high schools with inadequate programs of education; and (c) the decrease in number of one-room rural schools. This fine progress in solving our most critical public school problem is largely due to the constructive leadership of county and local administrators and school boards, teachers, and informed lay citizens. Valuable assistance has been rendered by courageous and far-sighted editors of daily and weekly papers. Radio and TV stations have also made important contributions.

The table below lists the number of our public school districts of all types for the last six years.

| $1954-1955$ | 4,417 | $1957-1958$ | 3,323 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $1955-1956$ | 4,142 | $1958-1959$ | 2,779 |
| $1956-1957$ | 3,691 | $1959-1960$ | 2,052 |

Thus, in a five-year period, the total number of districts has been reduced by $2,365-$ a decrease of 53.5 per cent. This is a significant acbievement. One or more successful reorganizations have occurred in 98 of the 99 counties within the state in the past few years.

## REORGANIZATION



Between
$1954 n_{d} 1959$

From July 1, 1959, through March 31, 1960, voters have approved 37 more reorganizations. These reorganizations will eliminate 262 districts of which 21 are presently operating high schools. Thirty-one of the 37 new districts will have 500 or more pupils from kindergarten through grade twelve when they go into effect on July 1, 1960.


Rural Areas Ahead of Towns
It is interesting to note that, in general, people in rural areas are ahead of those in many towns in the matter of school reorganization. People in the non-urban areas have demonstrated their desire for the best possible schooling for their children by closing rural schools at a rapid rate. In 1930 there were over 10,000 one-room rural schools in Iowa. The number of such schools in operation during the last six years (exclusive of a few in newly-reorganized community high school districts) is:

| $1954-1955$ | 3,261 | $1957-1958$ | 1,904 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $1955-1956$ | 2,903 | $1958-1959$ | 1,117 |
| $1956-1957$ | 2,442 | $1959-1960$ | 667 |

Several counties have-eliminated all one-room rural schools. At the present rate, one-room rural schools will be gone in most of our counties in another year or so.


Our major concern is not with the rural schools. As indicated above, farm people are closing them and sending their children to elementary schools in urban centers. Neither is our major concern with elementary schools in small or large towns. Most of these are doing a reasonably good job. Our most serious problem is the large number of small, inefficient high schools which we are operating. Three years ago we had the dubious distinction of having five per cent of all the high school districts in the entire United States. Of every twenty high schools in the country, one was in Iowa. Only three states, all with large populations, had inore. These states were Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Texas.


High School Districts in the Nation was in IOWA

While our record in the reduction in the number of small high schools through reorganization is not so impressive as for non-high school districts, we are making progress. Statistics on the number of districts maintaining approved four-year high schools for the past six years are:

| $1954-1955$ | 819 | $1957-1958$ | 745 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $1955-1956$ | 808 | $1958-1959$ | 694 |
| $1956-1957$ | 788 | $1959-1960$ | 614 |

The reduction in the number of high school districts by 205 or 25 per cent in five years is encouraging; however, if we are to assure each boy and girl of an opportunity for a well-rounded high school education, we will need to combine or eliminate a good many more of our high schools with limited educational programs.

## Approved Four-Year High Schools



## Farmers Favor Larger Schools

WALLACES FARA椟 AND IOWA HOMESTEAD, in its April 29, 1959, issue announced results of a poll of Iowa famers on the question, "What size high school do you think is likely to provide the best education for your children?" Farmers responded as follows:

| Around 100 pupils | $15 \%$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Around 200 pupils | $29 \%$ |
| Around 300 pupils | $30 \%$ |
| Around 400 pupils | $13 \%$ |
| 500 or more pupils | $13 \%$ |

It will be noted that 85 per cent of the rural people who participated in the poll favored high schools of 200 or more pupils for their children. In order to maintain an enrollment of 200 pupils in the four high school grades, a district would need at least 400-500 children in grades kindergarten through eight.

## Size of High Schools Favored



Many citizens do not realize that the large majority of high schools in Iowa are much smaller than 200 pupils. Last year Iowa had more high schools with less than 200 pupils than any of the fifty states in the nation! High school enrollments in the 614 districts which are maintaining approved four-year high schools in Iowa during the 1959-1960 school year are distributed as follows:

| $0-24$ | 2 |
| ---: | ---: |
| $25-49$ | 64 |
| $50-74$ | 86 |
| $75-99$ | 88 |
| $100-149$ | 135 |
| $150-199$ | 72 |
| $200-299$ | 76 |
| $300-399$ | 32 |
| $400-499$ | 19 |
| $500-599$ | 13 |
| $600-$ Above | 27 |

Of these 614 districts which are operating high schools this year, 447 or over 72 per cent have less than 200 pupils in the upper four grades; 240 or 39 per cent have less than 100 pupils, while 66 or nearly 11 per cent have less than 50 pupils:

SIZE DISTRIBUTION OF APPROVED FOUR-YEAR IOWA HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS


## More Youngsters in Districts

It is encouraging to note, however, that our people are beginning to "raise their sights" with reference to the number of children in reorganized districts. Data on the per cent of reorganizations approved by the voters which have included as many as 500 or more children in grades kindergarten or one through twelve during the past six years are shown below:

| $1953-1954$ | $10 \%$ | $1956-1957$ | $80 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $1954-1955$ | $33 \%$ | $1957-1958$ | $72 \%$ |
| $1955-1956$ | $50 \%$ | $1958-1959$ | $81 \%$ |

There is a tendency to measure progress in school reorganization in terms of the number of districts eliminated. Probably a more accurate evaluation would be in the number of good reorganizations formed. GOOD DISTRICTS INCLUDE ENOUGH CHILDREN, AND MAXIMUM TAXABLE VALUATION TO ENABLE LOCAL CITIZENS TO PROVIDE BROAD PROGRAMS OF EDUCATION AT A REASONABLE COST PER PUPIL WITHOUT FINANCIAL HARDSHIP ON INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYERS. It is also important to remember that, normally, new districts should not be formed at the expense of alreadyexisting good districts.

PERCENTAGE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT REORGANIZATIONS
WITH
A TOTAL ENROLLMENT OF 500 OR MORE
KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 12


## In a GOOD Reorganization



## It IS



# An Adequate Number of Students 



To Make Possible
A Broad Educational Program

## Enough Pupils for Broad Programs

While it is true that the number of pupils in a school district is surely not the only factor which should be used to measure its adequacy, it does rank high in the opinion of national lay and professional school authorities. A reasonable high school enrollment is necessary if pupils are to have adequate scholastic competition with their fellows as well as desirable social contacts with a substantial number of other youngsters. Then, too, broad programs for both college and non-college-bound pupils are seldom offered unless high schools have enough pupils to enable them to operate efficiently.

In recent years, the large majority of our people, who have concerned themselves with school district reorganization to the extent of studying and voting on the matter, have decided that they want administrative units of adequate size. Such reorganized districts or administrative units should contain as many attendance centers or separate buildings as are needed to provide modern programs of education at reasonable costs for each pupil and reduce travel time on school busses, particularly for children in the elementary grades.

As a result of larger reorganizations which have occurred during the past five years, the number of school districts with 500 or more pupils from grade kindergarten through twelve in the state has been substantially increased as shown:

| $1954-1955$ | 165 | $1957-1958$ | 227 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $1955-1956$ | 184 | $1958-1959$ | 254 |
| $1956-195 ?$ | 206 | $1959-1960$ | 289 |


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## Most Land Area in High School Districts

Because of the sharp increase in the number of school reorganizations in the last five years, a majority of the total land area of Iowa is now in high school districts. It is anticipated that this trend will continue at an accelerated rate with the result that in another two or three years virtually all of the state will be included in such districts. Percentages of the state's area in high school districts for the last six years are shown below.

| $1954-1955$ | $36.9 \%$ | $1957-1958$ | $55.6 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $1955-1956$ | $41.9 \%$ | $1958-1959$ | $64.8 \%$ |
| $1956-1957$ | $48.9 \%$ | $1959-1960$ | $76.0 \%$ |

On the basis of the progress made during the past few years, it would seem reasonable to assume that the people of Iowa will probably vote to reduce the number of districts by 500 and the number of high schools by at least fifty each year for the next several years.

The State Department of Public Instruction has always contended that the schools are the most important "industry" in any city or town, regardless of the size of the community. We insist that this is true because the "product" of our schools, our children, is our most valuable resource.

It is heartening to observe that the citizens of Iowa, under the leadership of enlightened lay and professional people, are moving in the direction of making it possible for boys and girls to receive a sound, modern educational program which will enable them to compete successfully with those of other states and countries in this satellite age.

## lowa's Land Area in High School Districts



## NOTE

During the past few years we have had many requests for data by counties on the number of: (1) school districts; (2) districts maintaining four-year approved high schools; (3) one-room rural schools; and (4) total elementary and high school enrollments. The following pages contain this information,

DATA ON THE NUMBER OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS PER COUNTY IN IOWA
School Year 1959-1960

| Rank | County | Number | Rank | County | Number | Rank | County | Number |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Clarke | 2 | 34 | Hamil ton | 12 | 66 | Monroe | 25 |
| 2 | Humboldt | 4 | 34 | Muscatine | 12 | 66 | Wright | 25 |
| 3 | Adair | 5 | 34 | Poweshiek | 12 | 69 | Appanoose | 26 |
| 3 | Ringgold | 5 | 34 | Warren | 12 | 69 | Linn | 26 |
| 5 | Audubon | 6 | 38 | Jefferson | 13 | 71 | Des Moines | 27 |
| 5 | Crawford | 6 | 38 | Story | 13 | 71 | Mitchell | 27 |
| 5 | Ditckinson | 6 | 40 | Cedar | 14 | 71 | Montgomery | 27 |
| 5 | Hancock | 6 | 40 | Greene | 14 | 71 | Polk | 27 |
| 5 | Lyon | 6 | 40 | Jasper | 14 | 71 | Pottawattamie | 27 |
| 10 | Allamakee | 7 | 43 | Clay | 15 | 71 | Van Buren | 27 |
| 10 | Floyd | 7 | 43 | Sioux | 15 | 77 | Carroll | 29 |
| 10 | Fremont | 7 | 45 | Buena Vista | 17 | 78 | Black Hawk | 30 |
| 10 | Ida | 7 | 45 | Clayton | 17 | 78 | Lee | 30 |
| 10 | Sac | 7 | 45 | Marion | 17 | 80 | Buchanan | 31 |
| 10 | Wayne | 7 | 45 | Monona | 17 | 80 | Clinton | 31 |
| 16 | Louisa | 8 | 45 | Shel by | 17 | 80 | Fayette | 31 |
| 16 | Union | 8 | 50 | Cerro Gordo | 18 | 83 | Adams | 32 |
| 16 | Wi mebago | 8 | 50 | Grundy | 18 | 83 | Jones | 32 |
| 19 | Delaware | 9 | 50 | Kossuth | 18 | 85 | Page | 33 |
| 19 | Guthrie | 9 | 50 | Marshall | 18 | 86 | Franklin | 34 |
| 21 | Calhoun | 10 | 50 | Plymouth | 18 | 86 | Jackson | 34 |
| 21 | Chickasaw | 10 | 55 | Butler | 19 | 88 | Boone | 35 |
| 21 | Decatur | 10 | 55 | Cass | 19 | 89 | Washington | 36 |
| 21 | Madison | 10 | 55 | Cherokee | 19 | 89 | Woodbury | 36 |
| 21 | Palo Alto | 10 | 55 | Dallas | 19 | 91 | Johnson | 39 |
| 21 | Scott | 10 | 59 | Henry | 20 | 92 | Wi nneshiek | 42 |
| 27 | Bremer | 11 | 60 | Webster | 22 | 93 | Harrison | 51 |
| 27 | Eramet | 11 | 61 | Howard | 23 | 94 | Mahaska | 54 |
| 27 | Hardin | 11 | 61 | Iowa | 23 | 95 | Keokuk | 56 |
| 27 | Osceola | 11 | 61 | Lucas | 23 | 95 | Mills | 56 |
| 27 | Pocahontas | 11 | 61 | o'brien | 23 | 97 | Dubuque | 61 |
| 27 | Taylor | 11 | 65 | Wapello | 24 | 98 | Tama | 62 |
| 27 | Worth | 11 | 66 | Benton | 25 | 99 | Davis | 66 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total 2 | 2,052 |

DATA ON THE NUMBER OF HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS PER COUNTY IN IOWA School Year 1959-1960

| Rank | County | Number | Rank | County | Number | Rank | County N | Number |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Adams | 2 | 33 | Des Moines | 5 | 60 | Montgomery | 7 |
| 1 | Audubon | 2 | 33 | Dickinson | 5 | 60 | Plymouth | 7 |
| 1 | Clarke | 2 | 33 | Emmet | 5 | 60 | Poweshiek | 7 |
| 1 | Jefferson | 2 | 33 | Fremont | 5 | 60 | Van Buren | 7 |
| 1 | Monroe | 2 | 33 | Grundy | 5 | 71 | Buchanan | 8 |
| 6 | Allamakee | 3 | 33 | Johnson | 5 | 71 | Butler | 8 |
| 6 | Davis | 3 | 33 | Louisa | 5 | 71 | Cedar | 8 |
| 6 | Dubuque | 3 | 33 | Madison | 5 | 71 | Clay | 8 |
| 6 | Lucas | 3 | 33 | Marion | 5 | 71 | Iowa | 8 |
| 6 | Ringgold | 3 | 33 | Osceola | 5 | 71 | Jones | 8 |
| 6 | Union | 3 | 33 | Winnebago | 5 | 71 | Mills | 8 |
| 6 | Wayne | 3 | 33 | Worth | 5 | 71 | Monona | 8 |
| 6 | Wi nneshiek | 3 | 46 | Black Hawk | 6 | 71 | O'Brien | 8 |
| 14 | Adair | 4 | 46 | Cass | 6 | 71 | Palo Alto | 8 |
| 14 | Carroll | 4 | 46 | Cerro Gordo | 6 | 71 | Warren | 8 |
| 14 | Chickasaw | 4 | 46 | Crawford | 6 | 71 | Webster | 8 |
| 14 | Decatur | 4 | 46 | Greene | 6 | 83 | Buena Vista | 9 |
| 14 | Delaware | 4 | 46 | Hamil ton | 6 | 83 | Cherokee | 9 |
| 14 | Floyd | 4 | 46 | Hancock | 6 | 83 | Clayton | 9 |
| 14 | Howard | 4 | 46 | Henry | 6 | 83 | Guthrie | 9 |
| 14 | Humboldt | 4 | 46 | Mitchell | 6 | 83 | Harrison | 9 |
| 14 | Ida | 4 | 46 | Pocahontas | 6 | 83 | Kossuth | 9 |
| 14 | Lee | 4 | 46 | Sac | 6 | 83 | Pottawattamie | - 9 |
| 14 | Lyon | 4 | 46 | Sioux | 6 | 90 | Hardin | 10 |
| 14 | Mahaska | 4 | 46 | Washington | 6 | 91 | Benton | 11 |
| 14 | Muscatine | 4 | 46 | Wright | 6 | 91 | Story | 11 |
| 14 | Page | 4 | 60 | Bremer | 7 | 91 | Tama | 11 |
| 14 | Scott | 4 | 60 | Calhoun | 7 | 94 | Clinton | 12 |
| 14 | Shelby | 4 | 60 | Fayette | 7 | 94 | Dallas | 12 |
| 14 | Taylor | 4 | 60 | Franklin | 7 | 94 | Marshall | 12 |
| 14 | Wapello | 4 | 60 | Jackson | 7 | 94 | Polk | 12 |
| 14 | Appanoose | 4 | 60 | Jasper | 7 | 98 | Linn | 13 |
| 33 | Boone | 5 | 60 | Keokuk | 7 | 99 | Woodbury | 15 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | $\overline{614}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Average per County |  | 6.2 |

NUMBER OF HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS/HTGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT PER COUNTY IN TOWA

*Includes 313 Students in 8 Districts Maintaining High Schools Offering Less than 4 Years.

DATA ON THE NUMBER OF ONE-ROOM RURAL SCHOOLS PER COUNTY IN IOWA*
1959-1960 School Year

| Rank | County | Number | Rank |  | County |  | Number |  | Rank | County |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

*Does not include a few one-ronm rural schonls in newly reorganized community high school districts. - 26 =

| Rank by Total | County | 614 Four Year High School$\qquad$ Districts |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { 1,438 Non-High School } \\ \text { Districts* } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Elementary Enrollment | High School Enrollment | Elementary Enrollment | High School Enrollment |  |
| 1 | Polk | 40,473 | 11,925 | 1,575 | None | 53,973 |
| 2 | Linn | 19,714 | 5,788 | 859 | 136 | 26,497 |
| 3 | Black Hawk | 16,161 | 4,876 | 1,952 | None | 22,989 |
| 4 | Scott | 15,768 | 4,734 | 2,062 | 89 | 22,653 |
| 5 | Woodbury | 16,677 | 4,411 | 23 | None | 21,111 |
| 6 | Pottawattamie | 12,806 | 3,880 | 1,977 | None | 18,663 |
| 7 | Clinton | 7,323 | 2,624 | 939 | 37 | 10,923 |
| 8 | Cerro Goxdo | 7,671 | 2,321 | 252 | None | 10,244 |
| 9 | Wapello | 7,383 | 2,401 | 428 | None | 10,212 |
| 10 | Story | 7,288 | 2,324 | None | None | 9,612 |
| 11 | Webster | 5,936 | 2,154 | 1,093 | 11 | 9,194 |
| 12 | Des Moines | 6,016 | 1,886 | 931 | 29 | 8,862 |
| 13 | Marshall | 5,886 | 1,942 | 171 | None | 7,999 |
| 14 | Jasper | 5,994 | 1,957 | 23 | None | 7,974 |
| 15 | Lee | 5,355 | 1,971 | 447 | None | 7,773 |
| 16 | Johnson | 4,662 | 1,319 | 1,666 | None | 7,647 |
| 17 | Muscatine | 4,788 | 1,605 | 680 | None | 7,073 |
| 18 | Dubuque | 3,956 | 1,725 | 1,102 | None | 6,783 |
| 19 | Hardin | 4,570 | 1,555 | None | None | 6,125 |
| 20 | Fayette | 4,168 | 1,487 | 81 | None | 5,736 |
| 21 | Dallas | 4,210 | 1,429 | 90 | None | 5,729 |
| 22 | Bremer | 4,091 | 1,545 | 68 | None | 5,704 |
| 23 | Benton | 3,931 | 1,389 | 251 | 11 | 5,582 |
| 24 | Marion | 3,930 | 1,478 | 146 | None | 5,554 |
| 25 | Warren | 3,852 | 1,253 | 189 | None | 5,294 |
| 26 | Boone | 3,753 | 1,299 | 157 | None | 5,209 |
| 27 | Wright | 3,649 | 1,321 | 111 | None | 5,081 |
| 28 | Tama | 3,348 | 1,294 | 327 | None | 4,969 |
| 29 | Buchanan | 3,121 | 1,177 | 652 | None | 4,950 |
| 30 | Hamilton | 3,618 | 1,274 | None | None | 4,892 |
| 31 | Floyd | 3,519 | 1,222 | None | None | 4,741 |
| 32 | Cedar | 3,472 | 1,121 | 99 | None | 4,692 |
| 33 | Plymouth | 3,449 | 1,180 | 29 | None | 4,658 |

*Includes eight districts maintaining high schools offering less than four years.

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| :--- | :--- |
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| Rank | County |
|  |  |
| 34 |  |
| 35 | Clayton |
| 36 | Jones |
| 37 | Cass |
| 38 | Clay |
| 39 | Kossuth |
| 40 | Sioux |
| 41 | Mahaska |
| 42 | Calhoun |
| 43 | Poweshiek |
| 44 | Butler |
| 45 | Buena Vista |
| 46 | Crawford |
| 47 | Page |
| 48 | Grien |
| 49 | Garhrie |
| 50 | Harrison |
| 51 | Washington |
| 52 | Jackson |
| 53 | Iowa |
| 54 | Henry |
| 55 | Sac |
| 56 | Cherokee |
| 56 | Keokuk |
| 57 | Hancock |
| 58 | Enmet |
| 59 | Montgomery |
| 60 | Wirnebago |
| 61 | Allamakee |
| 62 | Grundy |
| 63 | Greene |
| 64 | Palo Alto |
| 65 | Lyon |
| 66 | Mitchell |
| 67 | Appanoose |
| 68 | Delaware |
|  |  |

614 Four Year High School
Districts

| 3,224 | 1,270 |
| :--- | ---: |
| 3,099 | 1,159 |
| 3,189 | 1,200 |
| 3,172 | 1,145 |
| 3,184 | 1,184 |
| 3,297 | 1,110 |
| 2,643 | 1,163 |
| 3,134 | 1,189 |
| 3,256 | 1,086 |
| 3,117 | 1,123 |
| 3,017 | 1,124 |
| 3,142 | 1,173 |
| 3,019 | 1,144 |
| 2,928 | 1,123 |
| 3,027 | 1,163 |
| 2,444 | 1,146 |
| 2,863 | 1,032 |
| 2,685 | 970 |
| 2,859 | 1,019 |
| 2,898 | 1,086 |
| 2,959 | 986 |
| 2,977 | 931 |
| 2,624 | 1,022 |
| 2,784 | 987 |
| 2,572 | 920 |
| 2,675 | 927 |
| 2,598 | 931 |
| 2,744 | 808 |
| 2,403 | 904 |
| 2,576 | 825 |
| 2,498 | 884 |
| 2,510 | 813 |
| 2,215 | 902 |
| 1,863 | 970 |
| 2,317 | 895 |

1,438 Non-High School Districts

| Elementary | High School |
| :--- | :--- |
| Enrollment | Enrollment |

Total

| 158 | None | 4,652 |
| ---: | :--- | ---: |
| 391 | None | 4,649 |
| 216 | None | 4,605 |
| 192 | None | 4,509 |
| 134 | None | 4,502 |
| 85 | None | 4,492 |
| 615 | None | 4,421 |
| 64 | None | 4,387 |
| 26 | None | 4,368 |
| 126 | None | 4,366 |
| 207 | None | 4,348 |
| None | None | 4,315 |
| 145 | None | 4,308 |
| 155 | None | 4,206 |
| None | None | 4,190 |
| 559 | None | 4,149 |
| 214 | None | 4,109 |
| 431 | None | 4,086 |
| 149 | None | 4,027 |
| 19 | None | 4,003 |
| None | None | 3,945 |
| None | None | 3,908 |
| 225 | None | 3,871 |
| None | None | 3,771 |
| 230 | None | 3,722 |
| 13 | None | 3,615 |
| 40 | None | 3,569 |
| None | None | 3,552 |
| 121 | None | 3,428 |
| None | None | 3,401 |
| None | None | 3,382 |
| 16 | None | 3,339 |
| 176 | None | 3,293 |
| 459 | None | 3,292 |
| 35 | None | 3,247 |
|  |  |  |


| Rank | County | 614 Four Year High School Districts |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { 1,438 Non-High School } \\ \text { Districts } \end{gathered}$ |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Elementary | High School | Elementary | High School |  |
|  |  | Enrollment | Enrollment | Enrollment | Enrollment |  |
| 69 | Monona | 2,257 | 907 | 61 | None | 3,225 |
| 70 | Humboidt | 2,325 | 839 | None | None | 3,164 |
| 71 | Union | 2,177 | 865 | 94 | None | 3,136 |
| 72 | Franklin | 2,259 | 774 | 47 | None | 3,080 |
| 73 | Jefferson | 2,295 | 717 | 13 | None | 3,025 |
| 74 | Madison | 2,089 | 825 | None | None | 2,914 |
| 75 | Dickinson | 2,145 | 758 | None | None | 2,903 |
| 76 | Winneshiek | 1.233 | 789 | 876 | None | 2,898 |
| 77 | Louisa | 2,103 | 654 | 16 | None | 2,773 |
| 78 | Carroll | 1,948 | 787 | 35 | None | 2,770 |
| 79 | Chickasaw | 1,830 | 857 | 65 | None | 2,752 |
| 80 | Pocahontas | 1,914 | 686 | 135 | None | 2,735 |
| 81 | Mills | 1,710 | 658 | 338 | None | 2,706 |
| 82 | Worth | 1,906 | 741 | None | None | 2,647 |
| 83 | Taylor | 1,856 | 730 | 60 | None | 2,646 |
| 84 | Shel by | 1,887 | 703 | 45 | None | 2,635 |
| 85 | Van Buren | 1,710 | 690 | 113 | None | 2,513 |
| 86 | Audubon | 1,875 | 568 | 66 | None | 2,509 |
| 87 | Lucas | 1,567 | 679 | 178 | None | 2,424 |
| 88 | Fremont | 1,735 | 626 | 31 | None | 2, 392 |
| 89 | Decatur | 1,642 | 679 | 7 | None | 2,328 |
| 90 | Ida | 1,703 | 528 | None | None | 2,231 |
| 91 | Davis | 754 | 588 | 801 | None | 2,143 |
| 92 | Osceola | 1,498 | 507 | 123 | None | 2,128 |
| 93 | Wayne | 1;487 | 617 | 20 | None | 2,124 |
| 94 | Monrae | 1,395 | 633 | 61 | None | 2,089 |
| 95 | Howard | 964 | 529 | 561 | None | 2,054 |
| 96 | Ringgold | 1,362 | 543 | 105 | None | 2,010 |
| 97 | Clarke | 1,365 | 503 | None | None | 1,868 |
| 98 | Adair | 1,245 | 503 | 54 | None | 1,802 |
| 99 | Adams | -699 | 467 | 338 | None | $1,504$ |
|  | Totals | 401,985 | 137,131 | 27,824 | 313 | 67,253 |

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*Includes 8 districts maintaining high schools offering less than 4 years.


