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**Lebanon School Corporation Gets an “A”**  
***“IDOE Ranks Lebanon Schools Among Highest in State***

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It's official; The Lebanon Community School Corporation was notified Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, that the district had received an “A” grade overall by the State Department of Education. District leaders called it the new standard. “Congratulations, great job, but this is our line in the sand”, Superintendent Dr. Robert Taylor told teachers and staff. “We should accept nothing lower going forward”. While Taylor and other district leaders noted the high achievement came due to dedicated teachers, students, parents and administrators that it was due in large part to the schools total technology immersion. “Our ability to reach and elevate students through the use of personal laptops and our total digital curriculum has been obvious”, says Director of Assessment and High Ability, Kari Ottinger. Ottinger says the greatest achievement of all perhaps is that fact that Lebanon Middle School went from a “D” to an “A” in just one year.

Along with the middle school both Perry-Worth and Harney Elementary received an “A” grade as did Lebanon High School. It's nothing new for the high school which has received an “A” mark for three consecutive years. “This is not something that just happened”, says the superintendent. “We have spent years putting this formula together; assembling the right teachers, staff and administrators to allow this to happen and now that it has it's been well worth it”. Taylor thanked parents and the community for the support noting that everything from the referendum to the newly renovated high school and the incorporation of technology as well as many school volunteers has made the difference. “This is again a great validation that the work we are doing ranks us with the top tier school districts in the State of Indiana”. Taylor says the most noticeable recognition, of the districts efforts, is that several families have moved to Lebanon because of its quality school district. Lebanon Mayor, Harold “Huck” Lewis agreed calling it a total team effort, “We know that we're not going to bring quality jobs and business opportunities here if we don't have an outstanding school district”, stated Lewis. “That's why we're partners with Lebanon schools working together to make this a better place to live and learn”.

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