



Arkansas Correctional School District

Dr. Bill Glover, Superintendent

Board Report
February

2024

January Statistics

Academic Average Daily Membership – 1073

Current Enrollment – 1905

CTE Enrollment – 245

GEDs – 30

CTE Completions – 27

CTE Industry-Recognized Certificates – 172

January Highlights

- School Resumed – Jan. 8th
- ARESC Board Meeting - Jan. 17th
- Inclement Weather – Jan. 16th & Jan 17th
- ACSD Administrators’ Meeting – Jan. 25th

Upcoming Events

- CTE Day at the Capitol – Feb. 1st
- Pinnacle Awards – Feb. 1st
- TransfrVR demo with Cody Waits – Feb. 7th
- Arkansas Association of School Business Officials Conference – Feb 7th – Feb 8th
- ECACCC, EARU, & NEACCC visit – Feb. 7th & Feb. 8th
- Administrator’s Meeting – Feb. 22nd

GED	Year to Date	Last YTD
DoC Units		
Benton	8	22
Cummins	27	32
Delta	17	17
EARU	5	9
Grimes	10	15
Hawkins	5	5
Max	1	0
McPherson	43	51
NCU	21	38
ORCU	17	24
Pine Bluff	35	58
Tucker	16	8
Varner	13	17
Wrightsville	15	10
ADC Total	233	306
DCC Units		
SWACCC	6	9
NEACCC	17	31
ECACCC	13	20
CACCC	8	9
NWACCC	11	19
Omega	3	7
DCC Total	58	94
Total GEDs		
DoC & DCC	291	400

CTE Industry-Recognized Certificates	Certificates this month	YTD	Last YTD
American Welding Society	0	6	0
EPA 608 Refrigerant Handler	0	0	0
MSSC	6	36	12
NCCER	12	83	60
ServSafe	121	426	23
iCEV	33	230	59
Total Certificates	172	775	154

Unit	Enrollment on last day of the month/ Seats	CTE Programs	Completions	YTD	Last Year this Date
Cummins		Agricultural Equipment Technician			16
EARU	32/40	Building Trades– Basics	0	0	0
		Building and Grounds Maintenance	0	5	7
		HVAC	1	6	3
		Welding	2	3	8
Grimes	5/15	Barbering	0	0	0
McPherson	49/60	Computer Applications Technology	1	3	6
		Computer Science - Coding & Cybersecurity	0	0	0
		Computerized Accounting	1	7	5
		Cosmetology	0	1	2
		Cosmetology Instructor	0	0	0
		Office Basics - Keyboarding	0	2	0
NCU		<i>Maintenance Skills –2024</i>			
ORCU	43/45	Building and Grounds Maintenance	1	7	6
		Computer Applications Technology	1	6	5
		Plumbing	2	4	3
		Welding	1	3	4
Pine Bluff Complex	30/30	Computer Applications Technology	0	9	7
		Landscape Construction & Design	5	9	9
Tucker & Max	18/15	Pet Care and Management	1	17	15
Varner	68/90	Basic Residential Mechanics	0	0	3
		Building Trades– Basics	3	21	29
		Building and Grounds Maintenance	2	3	3
		Residential Carpentry	1	6	2
		<i>Commercial & Residential Roofing – 2024</i>			
		Food Service	0	6	8
		<i>Forestry Services – 2024</i>			
		Heavy Equipment Operator	2	8	0
		HVAC	1	7	8
		Residential Electricity	0	4	6
		Welding	2	12	11
	245/295	Total	27	149	188

McPherson, NCU, ORCU, PB, Varner, ECACCC, & SWACCC	ICEV	Center for Financial Responsibility Personal Financial Literacy Certification, EETC Principles of Small Engine Technology Certification, Elanco Veterinary Medical Applications Certification, Express Employment Professionals Career Preparedness Certification, HBAA Residential Construction Skills Certification, Southwest Airlines Professional Communications Certification
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Barber School

Barber school began at Grimes on January 22nd. The 1500 barber school curriculum requires instruction in sanitation, related sciences, barber chemical services, barber shop management, salesmanship and product knowledge, hair styling and waving, haircutting and bobbing, and shop department.



History of the GED

The first GED test was developed in 1942 to help veterans complete their high school education. It was designed to measure student performance in English, math, science, social studies, and reading. The original version of the test remained substantially unchanged until 1972. The 1972 edition required a broader level of academic skills and a higher level of critical thinking skills, but the main skills measured were literacy and basic math.

The test was revised in 1988 to include a written essay. The test taker was given a topic and had to write approximately 200 words to defend an opinion on an issue. Sixty-five percent of test takers during this time were hoping to use the credential to enter college.

The next major revision was done in 2002 when more business-related topics were covered and the written passages were more relevant to adults.

The most drastic revision occurred in 2014 when the test was reduced to four subject areas: Reasoning through Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies. The test was administered on computer. Teachers and administrators generally agree that the 2024 test was, and is, substantially more difficult than the past versions and this was demonstrated in the pass rate for the first several years on the new test.

ACSD Staff Characteristics

State School Characteristics

% with a fully licensed teaching staff	100	67
% with a master's degree	62	37
Years average experience	21	10.67
Number of licensed teachers	53	32,834