

October Highlights

- * Graduation (rescheduled) October 2
- * CEWDB Meeting October 14
- * Advisory Council for the Education of Children with Disabilities October 21
- * ARESC Board Meeting October 22
- * Administrators' Meeting October 23
- * CASBO October 29-30

Upcoming Events

- *ARESC Board Meeting November 19
- *CEWDB December 9
- *Essential Education Training December 10
- *Administrators' Meeting December 10
- *ARESC Board Meeting December 17

EARU CTE



Four EARU CTE students recently received their EPA 608 cards and certificates.

The EPA 608 test has four modules:

Core, which you must pass

Type I - small appliances

Type II - high pressure systems or normal AC

Type III - chillers

All four students scored in the universal category which means they passed all four modules, making them qualified for the broadest range of service work.

Title 1 Tablet Program

In addition to classroom instruction, we have developed a three-tiered approach utilizing Securus tablets for our Title 1 Students. The three focus areas include high school equivalencies (GED), soft skills to aid in re-entry, and career technical education (CTE) to prepare students for successful employment. For high school equivalencies, students have access to digital content that includes not only GED-level instruction but also basic education for those requiring remediation. Our re-entry content includes lessons centered around navigating personal and family relationships, critical thinking, and achieving independence. Lastly, students identify their areas of interest to participate in CTE and earn industry-recognized certifications in a range of career fields. This three-tiered approach aims to give students a better chance at post-release success and potentially reduce their chance of recidivism.

-Stephanie Coleman, Tablet Program

White River Correctional Center



Most WRCC graduates are released before graduation, but the center has found a way to celebrate their achievements. Graduates are presented with a completion certificate (their diplomas usually arrives within a month) and are photographed in a cap and gown.

L to R: C. Horton, L. Harris, Y. Jordan

Graduate Harris did not think he would be able to get his GED in the short time he was at WRCC. Prior to coming to WRCC, he actually checked on enrolling in a welding program, but could not do it because he did not have his GED. Now he can do that. But what really touched my heart...He said that he called and told his dad. His dad told him that he was proud of him. He said his dad had not said that to him since he was a little boy. He said it felt so good to get it, better than he had any idea it would.

-Mamie Cuzzort, Teacher at WRCC

Arkansas Correctional School District

Board Report

Tracy Dowell, Superintendent

November 2025

October Summary

Enrollment and Attendance

Current Enrollment (last day of month)	2129	Current Dyslexia/RI Enrollment (Literacy 1)	220
Total Enrollment for the Month	2640	Current CTE Enrollment	246
Adds for the Month	505	Tablet Program Enrollment	575
Drops for the Month	549	Tablet Program Hours for the Month	79
Total Hours for the Month	115,450	Title 1 Tablet Program Enrollment	104
Current GED Enrollment (Literacy 3)	346	Title 1 Tablet Hours for the Month	198
Current Intermediate (Literacy 2)	1317	Average Daily Attendance	1811
Completions and Certifications		Testing Data	
GEDs	97	GED-Ready Tests Administered	705
CTE	43	GED Tests Administered	943
Industry-Recognized Certifications	310	WRAT Tests Administered	700

YTD SUMMARY

Unit/Center Summary	GED		ACSD CTE		Certifications	
	YTD	Last YTD	YTD	Last YTD	YTD	Last YTD
Benton WR	3	1				
CA- Little Rock	5	2				
Cummins	11	10			15	
Delta	10	4			16	
EARU	2	2	19	9	71	
ECA-West Memphis	0	1				
Grimes	6	17				
Hawkins	1	2				
McPherson	28	30	16	5	105	
Mississippi Co. WR	0	0				
NCU	12	15	14	0	72	
NEA -Osceola	5	8				
Norris	0	0	1	1		
Omega	9	4				
ORCU	26	40	15	8	142	
Pine Bluff Complex	13	21	13	13	22	
Tucker	9	5				
Varner	19	6	23	22	197	
Wrightsville	1	4				
SWA -Texarkana	10	11			16	
White River	11	0				
TOTAL	181	183	101	58	656	581

UNIT	Enroll-ment last day of the month	Seats	CTE Programs	Completions	YTD	Last Year this Date
Cummins			Agricultural Equipment Technician			
EARU	34	40	Building Trades– Basics	7	12	8
			Building and Grounds Maintenance	1	2	0
			HVAC		3	1
			Welding	2	2	0
Grimes	12	15	Barbering			0
McPherson	39	45	Computer Applications Technology	4	6	1
			Computer Science - Coding & Cybersecurity	3	6	3
			Cosmetology	3	4	0
			Cosmetology Instructor			1
			Office Basics - Keyboarding			0
NCU	14	15	Forklift Safety & Operation		9	0
			Manufacturing Skills	2	5	0
ORCU	50	45	Building and Grounds Maintenance	2	3	3
			Computer Applications Technology			2
			Plumbing	1	4	0
			Welding	7	8	3
Pine Bluff Complex	26	30	Computer Applications Technology	2	6	6
			Landscape Construction & Design		7	7
Tucker & Max			Pet Care and Management	1	1	3
Vарner	61	90	Basic Residential Mechanics			0
			Building Trades– Basics		5	3
			Building and Grounds Maintenance		3	0
			Residential Carpentry	2	3	5
			Commercial & Residential Roofing			2
			Food Service			7
			Forestry Services			0
			Forklift Safety & Operation			0
			Heavy Equipment Operator	1	2	0
			HVAC	1	2	0
			Residential Electricity		4	1
			Welding	2	2	1
Total	236	280	Total	41	99	57
Other CTE Completion Certificate				2	2	
Total CTE Completions				43	101	

Center Enrollment		
SWACC	10	10
Total Enrollment Centers + Units	246	

Industry-Recognized Certifications for the Month										Other CTE Certificate Completion
Unit/Center	AWS	EPA 608	iCEV	MSSC	NCCER	OSHA 10	ServSafe	SimScholar	ToolingU	
Benton WR										
CA- Little Rock										
Cummins										
Delta										
EARU		12			30					
ECA-West Memphis										
Grimes										
Hawkins										
McPherson			3				23			
Mississippi Co. WR										
NCU			4	2		1	50			
NEA -Osceola										
Norris										
Omega										
ORCU	7		15		31		48			
Pine Bluff Complex			3							
Tucker										
Varner	5		38		28		3			2
Wrightsville										
SWA -Texarkana			7							
White River										
Total	12	12	70	2	89	1	124			2

Tablet Usage Data	Title 1							
	Essential Education		iCEV		Essential Education		iCEV	
	Enrollment	Hours	Enrollment	Hours	Enrollment	Hours	Enrollment	Hours
Benton WR								
Cummins					7	0	7	0
Delta					9	1	10	15
EARU Max	45	2			2	0	2	0
EARU					4	0	5	0
Grimes					7	0	7	0
MCPerson	6	3			7	0	7	0
Mississippi Co. WR	53	1						
NCU	14				10	1	10	0
Norris	306	11			1	0	1	0
ORCU	6	1			19	15	19	5
Pine Bluff Complex	1	4			19	45	19	93
Texarkana WR	35	0						
Tucker					9	2	9	4
Varner					3	1	3	3
Varner Super Max	97	57			3	0	3	0
Wrightsville/Hawkins	12	0			2	0	2	0
Total	575	79	0	0	102	78	104	120

GED - READY - WRAT TESTING DATA

Unit/Center	GED Subtests			READY Subtests			WRAT
	Given	Passsed	Pass %	Given	Passed	Pass %	Given
Benton WR	14	10	71%	34	26	76%	0
CA- Little Rock	27	15	56%	35	19	54%	2
Cummins	43	28	65%	47	24	51%	7
Delta	42	23	55%	44	23	52%	0
EARU	12	1	8%	33	7	21%	0
ECA-West Memphis	38	26	68%	14	11	79%	24
Grimes	36	16	44%	47	25	53%	0
Hawkins	9	6	67%	13	8	62%	1
McPherson	57	50	88%	92	46	50%	230
Mississippi Co. WR	6	3	50%	0	0	0%	0
NCU	76	45	59%	76	33	43%	72
NEA -Osceola	19	17	89%	58	22	38%	18
Norris			0%			0%	
Omega	19	11	58%	27	18	67%	0
ORCU	78	55	71%	129	80	62%	304
Pine Bluff Complex	75	56	75%	73	52	71%	7
Tucker	29	25	86%	24	19	79%	2
Varner	99	71	72%	96	40	42%	0
Wrightsville	27	17	63%	27	17	63%	4
SWA -Texarkana	47	41	87%	116	59	51%	26
White River	28	19	68%	34	19	56%	3
TOTAL	781	535	69%	1019	548	54%	700

Unit/Center GED Summary

	This Month	YTD		This Month	YTD
Benton WR	2	3	NEA -Osceola	4	5
CA- Little Rock	2	5	Norris	0	0
Cummins	5	11	Omega	5	9
Delta	5	10	ORCU	10	26
EARU	0	2	Pine Bluff Complex	9	13
ECA-West Memphis	0	0	Tucker	5	9
Grimes	2	6	Varner	16	19
Hawkins	1	1	Wrightsville	1	1
McPherson	9	28	SWA -Texarkana	9	10
Mississippi Co. WR	0	0	White River	4	11
NCU	8	12			

TOTAL	This Month	YTD
	97	181