



Arkansas Correctional School District

Tracy Dowell, Superintendent

Board Report

October

2024

September Statistics

Average Daily Attendance – 1313

Current Enrollment – 1892

Total Enrollment – 2359

GEDs – 53

CTE Enrollment – 212

CTE Completions – 23

CTE Industry-Recognized Certificates – 135

September Highlights

- Interviews for Delta Unit Principal – Sept. 6th
- CEA Directors’ Meeting – Sept. 10th
- ARESC Board Meeting – Sept. 18th
- Beginning Superintendent Mentorship meeting – Sept. 18th

Upcoming Events

- Administrators’ Meeting & ARESC PD for Building Level Leaders – The Science of Happiness– Oct. 1st
- Advisory Council for the Education of Children with Disabilities – Oct. 15th
- ARESC Board Meeting – Oct. 16th
- ACEA Conference – Oct. 24th
- Implementation of educational services delivered via tablets to select populations – November

Congratulations! New ACSD Principals



Melinda Langston, NCU



Phaedra Thompson, Delta

GED	Year to Date	Last YTD*
DOC Units		
Benton	0	5
Cummins	6	11
Delta	3	8
EARU	2	0
Grimes	6	0
Hawkins	0	1
Max	0	0
McPherson	14	12
NCU	9	4
ORCU	21	2
Pine Bluff	10	13
Tucker	1	6
Varner	2	0
Wrightsville	1	7
ADC Total	75	69
Centers		
SWACCC	4	10
NEACCC	6	4
ECACCC	0	3
CACCC	1	3
NWACCC		2
Omega	2	1
DCC Total	13	23
Total GEDs		
	88	92

*Last YTD includes May 2023

CTE Industry-Recognized Certificates	Certificates this month	YTD	Last YTD*
American Welding Society	0	0	6
EPA 608 Refrigerant Handler	0	0	0
MSSC	7	7	16
NCCER	48	55	16
ServSafe	23	190	3
iCEV	52	106	69
Total Certificates	135	363	110

Unit	Enrollment on last day of the month/ Seats	CTE Programs	Completions	YTD	Last Year this Date*
Cummins		Agricultural Equipment Technician			
EARU	36/40	Building Trades– Basics	0	0	0
		Building and Grounds Maintenance	0	0	3
		HVAC	0	0	2
		Welding	0	0	0
Grimes		Barbering	0	0	0
McPherson	39/45	Computer Applications Technology	0	0	0
		Computer Science - Coding & Cybersecurity	1	1	0
		Computerized Accounting (phasing out)	0	0	2
		Cosmetology	0	0	1
		Cosmetology Instructor	0	0	0
		Office Basics - Keyboarding	0	0	1
NCU	5/5	Manufacturing Skills	0	0	0
ORCU	33/45	Building and Grounds Maintenance	1	2	5
		Computer Applications Technology	1	1	3
		Plumbing	0	0	0
		Welding	2	2	2
Pine Bluff Complex	20/30	Computer Applications Technology	5	5	3
		Landscape Construction & Design	7	7	1
Tucker & Max		Pet Care and Management	0	0	0
Varner	75/90	Basic Residential Mechanics	0	0	0
		Building Trades– Basics	1	1	13
		Building and Grounds Maintenance	0	0	1
		Residential Carpentry	2	3	2
		Commercial & Residential Roofing	0	0	0
		Food Service	2	6	1
		Forestry Services	0	0	0
		Heavy Equipment Operator	0	0	2
		HVAC	0	0	5
		Residential Electricity	0	1	3
		Welding	1	1	65
			212/255	Total	23

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, SFMA Turfgrass Science Certification, Southwest Airlines Professional Communications Certification
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Arkansas Correctional School District Program Updates

Commercial & Residential Roofing –Varner

The class has recently been on the Varner CTE roof as well as the Varner unit's roof. The roof of the Varner unit is old, and the students learned how to patch EPDM roofing, which is the roofing used prior to TPO roofing. TPO is thermal plastic overlay which is found more commonly now. EPDM is ethylene propylene diene monomer. It is good to be able to show them things they will run across working in the free world. The students are getting hands on experience to go along with the online testing and classroom work. We are currently getting more material to use for practice and the class has had numerous chances to do roofing repair instead of just practice. We are currently waiting for the rain to see where they will be next.

- Jeff Fowler, CTE Manager
- Joshua Henley, Instructor



Barbering – Grimes



Barbering is a 1500 hour program composed of both theory (classroom) and practical (barber shop/lab) instruction. Topics of instruction include: hygiene & sanitation, shaving & beard trimming, barber-chemical services, shop management, hair styling, hair cutting, and product knowledge. Before earning any hours of instruction, students must be issued a student permit from the State of Arkansas. After completing the required hours & coursework and passing both the theory & practical exams, students are eligible for a barber license.

- Amy Billings, Principal
- James Young, Instructor

Welding – EARU

EARU's welding class is full. No students completed the program during September, but several will complete in October. One student has completed his AWS (American Welding Society) welding sample and four others are working on their samples. Tag Green, AWS representative, will pick up the samples for inspection and testing.

- William Mark Andrews, CTE Supervisor
- Charles Ward, Welding Instructor

