



PIGGOTT MOHAWKS

Piggott Public Schools  
2023

Annual Report to the Public

October 9, 2023

# OUR MISSION



The faculty and staff of the Piggott School District believe that all students can learn and master basic academic skills regardless of their previous academic performance, family background, socio-economic status, race, or gender. The faculty and staff accept the responsibility for providing strong instructional leadership, a positive school climate, and a safe and orderly school environment. We foster strong parent and community involvement.

# SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS



**President-- Chris Roberts**

**Vice-President-- Jennifer Rahn**

**Secretary-- Jacob Richardson**

**Member-- Rob Chandler**

**Member-- Brad Dunlap**

# Staff Information



Classified Employees--56

Licensed Employees--74

Bachelor of Science in Education-34

Master of Science in Education--38

Educational Specialists--2

National Board Certified--2

Total Employees--130

# Enrollment



As of October 2, 2023--

Kindergarten-- 75

1st-- 60

2nd--67

3rd-- 51

4th-- 59

5th-- 55

6th--51

7th--55

8th--67

9th--47

10th--56

11th--45

12th--54

Elementary Enrollment--430

High School Enrollment--343

Total Enrollment--773

# Taxpayer Information



## Millage Rate

**Piggott Public Schools 35.44/State Average 38.72**

**Piggott School Average Teacher Salary/Arkansas Average Teacher Salary**

**\$48,059.00/\$52,158.00**

**Expenditure Per Pupil**

**\$10,389/State Average--\$11,644**

# Taxpayer Information



**2021 Assessment--\$85,189,657**

**Legal Balance(w/categorical funds)--\$1,456,713.36**

**Salary & Benefits(all sources)--\$7,175,447.45**

**Debt Service Expenditures--\$199,335**

**State Foundation Funding Aid--\$3,859,538.80**

# Federal Programs



Title I--Preliminary Allocation--\$247,960.69

Salaries and Benefits for Reading Recovery Specialists, Federal Programs Coordinator, Supplemental Material, Technology, and Instructional Assistants

Title VI-B--Special Education--\$213,273.74

Salaries and Benefits for paraprofessionals, general supplies, and PT/OT and Speech Therapy

Federal Preschool Special Education--\$12,964.45

These Funds are handled through the Northeast Arkansas Coop



# Federal Programs



## Title II-A

Preliminary Allocation--\$36,777.82

*These funds are transferred to Title I and are used as stated on last slide*

Rural and Low Income Schools--\$23,808.52

*Supplemental Material and Tutoring*

Title IV--\$19,405.86

*These funds are transferred to Title I*

# Piggott School District Facilities

The School District operates on two campuses.

Elementary School and High School Campuses total 234,893 square feet of building space that require maintenance and operation efforts.

206,892 square feet of academic space

28,001 square feet of non-academic space

# Facility Projects & Future Plans



- \* **New Entry and Security Doorways in Elementary Building–Project is nearing completion.**
- \* **New Safehouse at Elementary School–will apply for federal funding when FEMA funds are available.**
- \* **Upgraded the Camera Systems throughout the District; adding classroom cameras in the Elementary School–Funded by ARP ESSER funds.**
- \* **New Playgrounds installed on Elementary Playground, Special Needs Playground installed, and new playground for ABC Program. Target Completion Fall 2023**
- \* **New Fencing projects at HS, PreK, and Softball Field–Target Completion Fall 2023. This will provide additional security to our facilities.**
- \* **Upgrades to HS New Gym Entry and Gym Lobby**
- \* **Visitor Management and Hall Pass System**
- \* **New Roof for Old Gym–Applying for Partnership funds for the 2025-2027 Biennium**
- \* **Future Projects on our 10 year plan include an Auditorium and Safe House for Elementary School Campus**

# New Gym Upgrades



# Food Service--2021-2022



**Meals Prepared per School Day**

**Breakfast--307/day**

**Lunch--471/day**

**The Free Lunch Program ended on June 30, 2022. We highly encourage families to apply for free and reduced lunches for this school year. For families that completed the FRL forms we conducted a drawing of prizes to give away from local businesses. Breakfast charges for the 2023-24 school year will be \$1.65 and lunch will be \$2.95. If our district reaches the 70% FRL threshold, then all students would be eligible for free meals.**

**Hope Burns--Food Service Director**

# IT Department

The Piggott School District has an Internet Safety and Electronic Device Policy, we use a state provided internet content filter for our internet access.

The Piggott School District has available about 1000 student devices(chromebooks) and 230 teacher/staff devices throughout the district.

Campus Security Cameras were upgraded Summer of 2023

# Transportation



**Buses--14**

**Route Drivers--9**

**Routes--9**

**Daily Average of Students Transported--425(up 37 students from last year)**

# Piggott High School



## Race/Ethnicity Statistics

African American--0.6%

Hispanic/Latino--2.5%

White--95.2%

Two or more Races--1.7%

Asian--0.0%

American Indian--0.0%

## School Characteristics

Enrollment 361

Avg. years teaching Experience 12.33

Student to Teacher Ratio: 10:1

Economically Disadvantaged: 48.75%

Students With Disabilities: 11.08%



# Piggott High School



**2022 Graduates--52**

**Honor Graduates--11**

**Average ACT Scores @ PHS--17 for all PHS participants; 22 for PHS students that are attending college/university**

# Piggott High School–Literacy Program

7th and 8th have a year long reading class. They are using the CKLA curriculum for the second year.

My Perspectives is being used in 9-12 grades. It is the first year that those grades are using the same curriculum.

We are using IXL as a supplemental program in grades 7-12 to offset learning loss.

The STAR test is being used to determine reading level, as well as growth from the beginning of the year to the end.

The ATLAS writing pilot was just finished for grades 7-11. Because we piloted the test, we have a set of classroom tools available to use - bank of questions, access to assessments that are of the same format as the test, etc. The science pilot will be given later this month.

# PHS



2023-2024 Advanced Placement Courses--AP Art, AP Art Drawing, AP Art 2D, AP Art 3D, AP English, AP Science, AP History. College Algebra and Biology are offered on Campus with face-to-face instruction. Students can take courses such as Composition, Psychology, Speech, and U.S. History for concurrent credit.

Student Participants--32 Students

Extra Curricular Activities--Athletic--Football, Volleyball, Tennis, Golf, Basketball, Track and Field, Baseball, Softball, ESports, Band, Choir, and Cheerleading. Academic events--FFA, FBLA, Mid-level FBLA, FCCLA, Art Club, Junior Historians Society, BETA, Spanish Club, Chess Team, and PACE.



# Black River Technical Center at The Armory



18 Students currently enrolled in two vocational programs:

Industrial Electrical

Welding

Grand Opening will be held on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 10am. Opening comments and Ribbon Cutting on the West side of the building with a tour of facilities to follow. Light refreshments to be served.

FBLA



*Stacy Peters-Senior High Advisor*

# FBLA

Survey of Business students are taking the Microsoft certification test, with 8 students earning the industry-recognized credential at this point.

The Organizational Leadership class is working with the Chamber of Commerce to put together a video presentation about the history of Piggott that will be shown at the Chamber Banquet celebrating the city's sesquicentennial.

Taylor Peters and Charlie Latta placed 7th in the Nation.

# Snow Cones provided by FBLA







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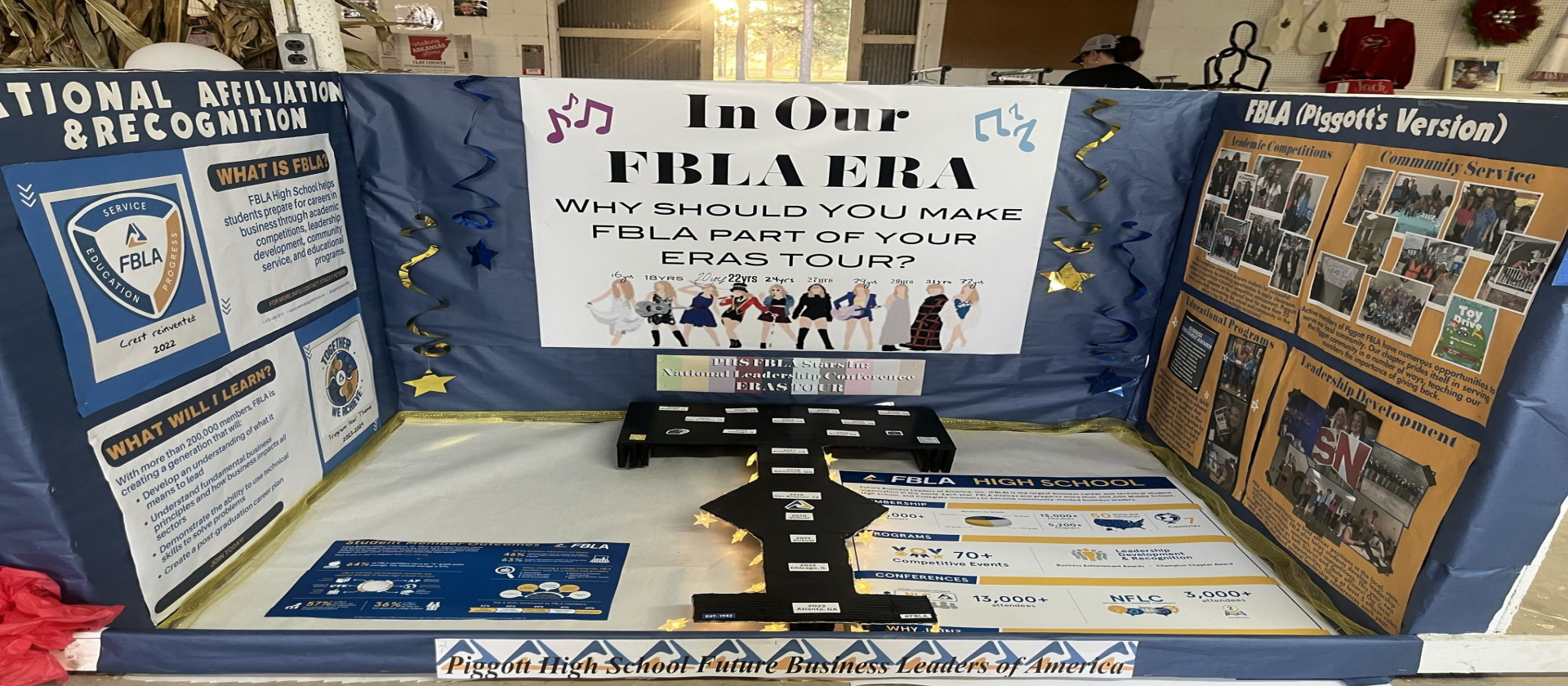
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# FBLA Booth at Clay County Fair—3rd Place



## NATIONAL AFFILIATION & RECOGNITION



**WHAT IS FBLA?**  
 FBLA High School helps students prepare for careers in business through academic competitions, leadership development, community service, and educational programs.

### WHAT WILL I LEARN?

- With more than 200,000 members, FBLA is creating a generation that will:
- Develop an understanding of what it means to lead
  - Understand fundamental business principles and how business impacts all sectors
  - Demonstrate the ability to use technical skills to solve problems
  - Create a post-graduation career plan

## In Our FBLA ERA

### WHY SHOULD YOU MAKE FBLA PART OF YOUR ERAS TOUR?

16 yrs 18 yrs 20 yrs 22 yrs 24 yrs 26 yrs 28 yrs 30 yrs 32 yrs

THIS FBLA Stars Lin National Leadership Conference ERAS TOUR

## FBLA (Piggott's Version)

### Academic Competitions

### Community Service

### Leadership Development

### National Programs

### Student Success Stories & FBLA

64% of students who participated in FBLA activities reported an increase in their academic performance.

46% of students who participated in FBLA activities reported an increase in their leadership skills.

57% of students who participated in FBLA activities reported an increase in their technical skills.

36% of students who participated in FBLA activities reported an increase in their career readiness.

### FBLA HIGH SCHOOL

MEMBERSHIP: 7,000+

PROGRAMS: 70+ Competitive Events

CONFERENCES: 13,000+ attendees

LEADERSHIP COMPETITION & RECOGNITION

NFLC: 3,000+

Piggott High School Future Business Leaders of America



# FBLA at National Convention in Atlanta–Summer 2023



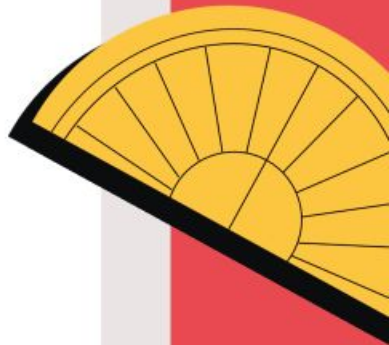
PACE



*Cassie Knight-Facilitator*

# Piggott PACE

PROGRAM FOR **A**CADEMIC AND **C**REATIVE **E**XCELLENCE





All students in kindergarten - second grade receive enrichment (Discovery) class every other week. These classes focus on skills such as critical thinking, problem solving, STEM, and creativity.

Students who are identified begin small groups in 3rd grade. Currently Piggott School District serves 27 students in 3rd-6th grade and 42 high school students.





# Program Options



High school students are served through advanced and college level courses. We also offer a GT Seminar class which is project based and focuses on higher level thinking, research, and creativity. Seminar is currently finishing up a novel study. Next they will work on STEM projects and begin preparing for the Business Fair competition.

Grades 3-6 identified students are served in small groups for a minimum of 150 minutes each week. I focus on higher level thinking and students work on a variety of projects throughout the year. I try to coordinate activities around topics and skills from the regular classroom as well as acceleration of topics.







# Piggott Elementary—My School Info 2022-2023



## Race/Ethnicity Statistics

African American-- 1.4%

Hispanic Latino-- 0.9%

White--96.03%

Two or More Races--1.4%

American Indian--0.2%

## School Characteristics

Enrollment 428

Avg. years teaching Experience 9.73

Economically Disadvantaged: 64.72%

Students Eligible to Receive Special

Education--23.60%

# PES



Instructional Material--Lexia Core 5(K-5), Lexia Power Up(6), iXL--English and Language Arts, HMH Into Math, Reading Eggs, Starfall, Core Knowledge Language Arts

Take Flight for Dyslexia Instruction

Programs offered--Art, Music, PE, Group Guidance, Enrichment, Computer Lab, and Library. PeeWee Sports of football, volleyball, and basketball.

# District State Test Scores

2023 High School Test Data

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1A8vjutyloB6dXnKnGVNIIImzOw1RM109kSwJsYqptmQI/edit#gid=0>

2023 Elementary Test Data

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/16YxOEUDF8tO0crzeMjsZzo0qCt6kL0Zb2VwGMEYtAgQ/edit#gid=0>

# ESSA Scores



Elementary Score: <https://myschoolinfo.arkansas.gov/Schools/Detail/1104017>

High School Score: <https://myschoolinfo.arkansas.gov/Schools/Detail/1104018>

# Moving Forward



- \* Vertical Alignment of Curriculum—2nd year of Core Knowledge Language Arts Curriculum that is aligned K-8th grades.
- \* Provide the best types of curriculum to meet the needs of our students
- \* Literacy Specialist, Emily Hemme, has been assigned to our Elementary School to work with K-3 staff to help improve our Literacy scores.
- \* Continue to build capacity among our staff in an effort to provide the best educational experience for our students
- \* Build Capacity to Understand ESSA Scores and Utilize Data to improve learning
- \* Look for opportunities to reduce expenditures as we continue to address both classified and certified salary schedules
- \* Continue to address facility needs by repairing and upgrading current facilities as well as plan for future facility projects.
- \* August 2023—Opening of the BRTC Satellite Campus at the Armory. Certification Courses to be offered—Welding and Industrial Electrical programs. Classes will be offered to Clay County schools and night classes will be offered for adults. Grand Opening is October 10, 2023 at 10am.

*Go Mohawks!*

*Thank You for Attending!*

