

Our Schools

Asbell Elementary School
Butterfield Trail Elementary School
Fayetteville Adult & Community Education
Fayetteville High School
Happy Hollow Elementary School
Holcomb Elementary School
Holt Middle School at Mt. Comfort
Leverett Elementary School
McNair Middle School
The Owl Creek School (K-7)
Ramay Jr. High School
Root Elementary School
Vandergriff Elementary School
Washington Elementary School
Woodland Jr. High School



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Student Demographics

Enrollment: 9,017
African-American: 12.04%
Asian/Pacific Islander: 5.0%
Caucasian: 72.05%
Hispanic: 9.74%
Native American: 1.14%
Languages Spoken: 43
% of Students Eligible for Free/Reduced Meals: 41%
Students Served by Families in Transition Program: 264
Average ACT Score: 23.9 (highest in Arkansas!)

Faculty

Certified Teachers: 710
Support Staff: 590
Advanced Degrees: 66%
National Board Certified: 21
Average Teacher Salary: \$57, 659
Starting Salary: \$41,310

District

Area: 113 square miles
Chartered by the state in 1871 as the first chartered school district in Arkansas
Per Pupil Expenditure: \$10,037
Operating Budget for 2011-12: \$105,600,692



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FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS



The Transformation of Fayetteville High School



Work is proceeding according to schedule on Phase 1 of the transformation of Fayetteville High School. Phase 1 will be 234,360 square feet of space will include new academic spaces, the cafeteria, the performing arts center, and the gymnasium.

Phase 1 will also feature a new “front door” facing Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, the development of a student commons area, green spaces for outdoor classrooms, and gathering spaces, all centered around a flexible academic learning environment.

Phase 2 of the transformation will involve the construction of 299,340 square feet of academic spaces and will be completed by August of 2015. Phase 2 will also provide

- ✓ Upgrades to all academic learning spaces and science laboratories
- ✓ Addition of engineering programs and technology spaces
- ✓ Increased opportunities for advanced placement, service learning and career education
- ✓ A new auxiliary gym
- ✓ Upgrades to fire and life safety systems, heating/air conditioning and lighting
- ✓ Controlled and limited entrance and exit points for increased student and staff safety

The New Happy Hollow



The new Happy Hollow Elementary School opened in August of 2011.

The new school is designed around a courtyard, which is oriented to face a view of the Boston Mountains. The design takes inspiration from its namesake, Happy Hollow Farm, and the building form is broken down into a series of agriculturally-inspired forms.

Noteworthy

- ★ Twenty-one Fayetteville High School Seniors were named as finalists in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Competition. Another senior was named as a finalist in the 2012 National Achievement Scholarship program.
- ★ 192 Fayetteville High School students earned AP scholar honors, representing 12% of the total number of Arkansas AP scholars.
- ★ Fayetteville High School's award-winning literary magazine, *Connotations*, received national awards from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association and National Association of Teachers of English.
- ★ FHS won the 2011 7A state football championship in a dramatic overtime victory.
- ★ 2010-11 State Championships were girls basketball, girls golf, cheerleading, girls outdoor track, and boys indoor track.
- ★ Woodland English teacher Jamie Highfill was named the 2011 Middle-Level Language Arts Teacher of the Year by the Arkansas Art Educators Association.
- ★ Ramay Jr. High teacher Victor Dreier won a 2011 Teacher Excellence Award from the International Technology & Engineering Educators Association.
- ★ FHS senior Macy Manning made the highest score possible on the 2011 ACT Exam.
- ★ FHS sophomores Tony Li, Matthew Wang, and Peter Du took 1st, 2nd, and 3rd on the 2011 Arkansas Trigonometry/Pre-Calculus exam.
- ★ FPS named in the Top 10 in the U.S. in technology by the National School Boards Association.
- ★ The FHS Band marched in the 2011 Thanksgiving Day Parade in Philadelphia and performed in concert in New York's Carnegie Hall.
- ★ FHS athletes Brad Culp and Stephen Soerens took 1st & 2nd place in the 2011 Arkansas Decathlon, marking the first time two athletes from the same school finished 1st and 2nd.

Curriculum

FPS is working on a broad-ranging revamp of the curriculum system, designed to address the changing needs of all students as we adapt to the new Common Core state standards.

We are providing focused professional development opportunities, and are supporting the work through a budget that places teaching and learning at the forefront. Teachers are designing an aligned curriculum and assessments based on a thorough analysis of student data to create a strategy toolkit for meeting diverse learner needs in every classroom. Our focus for the year is on “rigor, relevance, and relationships,” because we know the more essential and memorable the learning, the greater the success for our students.

