

## Blevins School District

### Annual Report to the Public/Master Plan

October 2, 2017

Act Seven of the first Extraordinary Session of the Arkansas General Assembly of 1983 and Act 35 of 2003 require all public school districts to report to patrons annually on the condition of their respective schools. The Blevins School Board of Directors met on Monday, October 2, 2017 at 6:30pm in the Administration Building to present its annual report to the public. The Blevins School District remains in compliance with all state mandated standards of performance and operation. The District is fully accredited through the Arkansas Department of Education (ADE). High School: State Focus School

#### **Blevins Elementary School (BES)**

Blevins Elementary School (BES) is an Arkansas Department of Education accredited school. Each student received a handbook of student policies to share with his or her parents. Two teachers are currently on an Alternative Learning Plan approved by the ADE. BES goals for the current year: prepare students for the ACT Aspire exam, remediation of all students, student behavior, improve attendance, and increase parent/family engagement. Special projects include: after school tutoring, summer school, summer reading program, Nutrition Farm to you and kids in the kitchen program, pee wee basketball for grades 3-6, and the archery program. BES has partnered with Hope lions Club to be a R.I.S.E. school.

## **Blevins High School (BHS)**

Blevins High School has four new teachers. BHS is an accredited, cited, school with the ADE. The High School currently has two teachers on ALP Plans with the ADE. The ADE has listed BHS as a Focus school for the 2016-17 school year. Each student received a handbook of student policies to share with their parents. BHS goals for the current year include: improve test scores, target literacy, math, and science, write individualized student AIP plans, improve test strategies, meet standards, work for a safer environment, establish leadership teams and utilize more technology in instruction. Special programs include: writing across the curriculum, Go math, remediation for every student who scored below proficient on ACT Aspire test, improved test strategies, team teaching, concurrent credit courses utilizing UA at Monticello, Arkansas Tech, Virtual Arkansas, AP courses, full use of DL lab, established new learning lab, encourage AR reading 7-12 and tutoring for 7-8<sup>th</sup> grades will be offered.

## **Federal Budget Report**

The federal budget is complete and submitted to the state as required for approval. **Title I-A (Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged)** received \$275,110.10 this school year. Funds are allocated for homeless student assistance, parent involvement, professional development,

math and literacy classroom materials and supplies, technology, summer school, after school tutoring, summer reading program materials, and salaries/benefits for instructional aides and federal coordinator.

**Title II-A (Teacher and Principal Training and Recruitment)**

funds were received in the amount of \$31,463,69 with a carryover balance of \$16,517.13 and indirect cost of \$1,034.54 for a total of \$46,946.28 available for District or Instructional programs. Funds are allocated for professional development, recruitment of highly qualified teachers and administrators, a secondary mathematics shortage area/teacher retention stipend, and college cost for the ABC paraprofessional to be fully certified.

**Title VI-B Federal (Rural School Achievement Program)** funds in the amount of \$18,655.00 with a carryover of \$453.47 for a total of \$19,108.47 are reserved for high school science lab materials and supplies, distance learning, an Artist in Residence program and ACT Prep teacher salaries/benefits.

**NSLA (National School Lunch Act funding to improve instruction/increase achievement of at-risk students)** funds were received in the amount of \$424,604.00 with a carryover of \$59,213.03 for a total of \$483,817.03. Funds are allocated for high school math and literacy classroom materials and supplies, completion of the new high school computer lab, high school

technology materials and supplies, and salaries/benefits for class size reduction teachers, exceeds standards teachers, school nurse, high school paraprofessionals, instructional facilitators.

**State Professional Development** annual allotment of \$12,612.00 is reserved for professional development purchased services at the Southwest Educational Cooperative.

### **Master Plan**

Review six year master plan for District.

### **Blevins School District (BSD)**

All Board members received the required in-service training for the 2016/17 school year. The primary goal of the Blevins School District remains to Improve test scores and provide the students of the district with the highest quality education possible. BSD has established a budget of expenditures to ensure that programs needed by each building are available so they can achieve their goals. The total enrollment for the district, as of October 1<sup>st</sup>, was 479. Further questions or comments may be directed to the superintendent of schools by mailing them to Billy Lee, P.O. Box 98, Blevins, Arkansas, 71825. All school information is posted on the district website at <http://blevinshornets.weebly.com>

