



2016-2017 ANNUAL REPORT

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402-223-1500

MISSION

The mission of Beatrice Public Schools, a collaborative partnership of students, staff, families, and community, is to guarantee all students achieve academic excellence and develop responsible citizenship by providing aligned, rigorous curriculum and high-quality instruction that utilizes 21st Century tools in a system that is measurably among the best in the nation.



FACULTY & STAFF

The faculty and staff of Beatrice Public Schools for 2016-2017 included 161 classroom teachers and 11 administrators. Support staff consisted of 95 classroom paraprofessionals, 24 office workers, 4.5 nurses, 25 maintenance/custodial staff members, and 25 kitchen personnel.



BOARD OF EDUCATION

Lisa Pieper, President
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Janet Byars
Doris Martin
Nancy Sedlacek
Steve Winter

Natalie Doering, Student Representative

The Board meets for their regular meeting on the second Monday of each month at 7 PM and on the fourth Thursday of the month at 6 PM for a committee meeting. Meetings are held at the administration building (320 N 5th St) and are open to the public.



The Beatrice Public School district includes four elementary schools, a middle school and a high school with PK-12 enrollment totaling just over 2,100.

This report has been prepared to provide a "snapshot" of our school system and is not intended to be a comprehensive report on the condition of education in our district. We ask you to visit our schools and take an active role in the education of Beatrice students. This report is produced by the Superintendent's Office. Comments or questions concerning this report should be directed to 402-223-1500.

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classified Beatrice as
GREAT!



80 students from the class of
2017 earned a total of **1,187**
hours of college credit



BHS offered **12** dual credit
courses to students

& **10** Career Academies

The Beatrice Educational
Foundation awarded over
\$82,000 in scholarships

Beatrice Public Schools are members of
the River Cities Conference (RCC) which
offers interscholastic competition in 16

CONFERENCE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Girls Golf Runner-ups
- Softball Regular Season Champions
- Boys Tennis Co-champions
- Speech Runner-ups
- Girls Basketball Runner-ups
- Boys Basketball Champions
- Wrestling Runner-ups
- Girls Track Champions
- Boys Track Runner-ups



405

Students in at least one ac-
tivity (3.144 GPA average)



All-State music selections
included 6 students for
choir

ELEMENTARY HIGHLIGHTS

- With the closing of our Cedar Elementary building, all elementary students moving from Cedar to Lincoln, Paddock Lane, and Stoddard had a "move up day" visit. Cedar students were bused to their new school where they spent time meeting their future classmates as well as their teachers for the 2017-2018 school year.
- All elementary buildings celebrated the 150th birthday of the state of Nebraska on March 1. Students dressed in pioneer clothing, listened to stories about pioneer times from guest readers, and did a variety of activities related to pioneer living. All buildings were treated to birthday cake at the end of



MIDDLE SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

- Scored above the state average in every subject area and every grade level for NeSA testing
- MAP testing– scored above the district goal and showed significant growth in every subject area and every grade level

ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

District-wide, 212 students in grades 4-12 participated in activities during the 2016-2017 school year. At the elementary level, students enrichment activities included: literature groups, math and logic activities, field trips, and small group seminars on topics of their interest.



SPECIAL EDUCATION

- New addition of a certified therapy dog, Rosco, at Paddock Lane
- Collaboration with Nebraska Mental Health Centers to provide students additional support within the school setting
- BPS special education department was chosen by the Autism Spectrum Disorders Networks to create a District Autism Training team

SUMMER SCHOOL

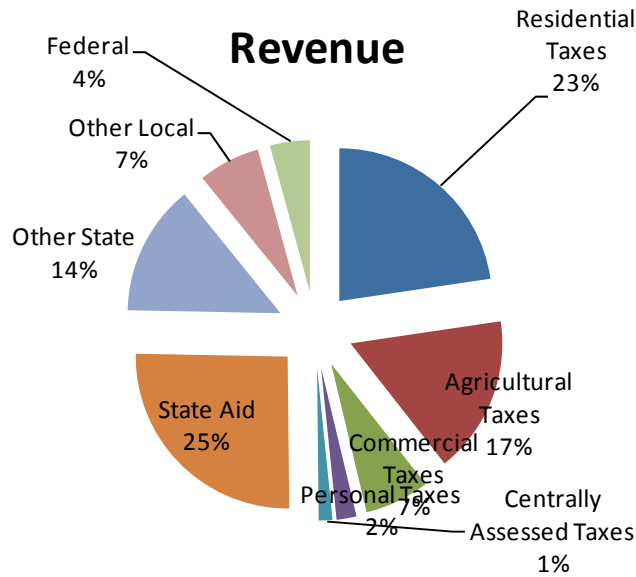
During the month of June, approximately 290 students participated in the elementary summer experience at Beatrice Public Schools. The Best Possible Summer learning experience provided hands-on, engaging activities while weaving in the core principles of reading, math, science, and writing to help students focus more on the application aspect of learning. Every week, students were able to choose a session which sparked their interest. The District partnered with the Beatrice Public Library, the Beatrice Police Department, the Humane Society, the Homestead National Monument, UNL and Gage County Extension Offices, and the YMCA for support.



EARLY CHILDHOOD

Beatrice Community Preschool is a collaboration between Beatrice Public Schools and Blue Valley Community Action/Head Start to provide high-quality developmentally appropriate, hands-on play based learning opportunity for all preschool children. A strong social emotional curriculum helps develop the beginning skills young learners need to be successful in the elementary classroom. During the 2016-2017 school year, over 200 3 and 4 year old children were served in an inclusive setting throughout 12 sections of preschool. Beatrice Community preschool offers a half day three-year old and four-year old classes. Child outcomes are measured with GOLD, scores district-wide were well above the state average for the 2016-2017 school year. Students and teachers work hard to develop strong learning and social emotional learning.





District Levy

11-12	1.1636
12-13	1.1631
13-14	1.1594
14-15	1.1607
15-16	1.1353
16-17	1.0820

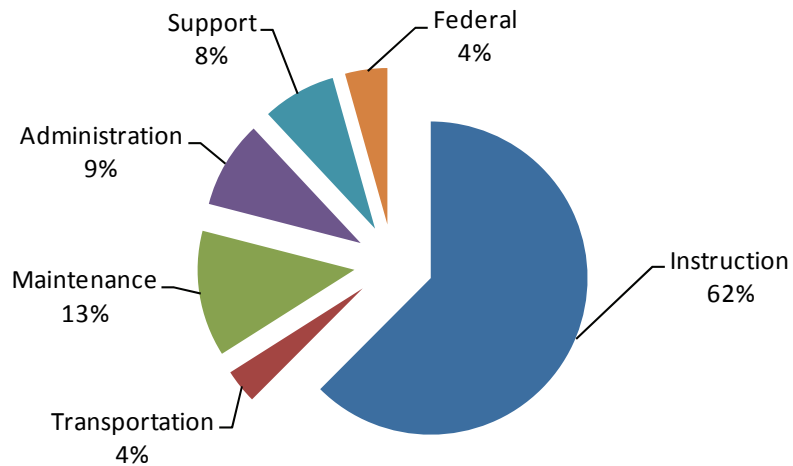
Assessed Valuation

11-12	889,698,245	14-15	1,028,944,945
12-13	909,428,408	15-16	1,131,274,591
13-14	968,401,515	16-17	1,175,507,275

General Fund Budget

11-12	\$21,625,000
12-13	\$21,641,139
13-14	\$22,070,829
14-15	\$21,582,157
15-16	\$22,689,690
16-17	\$22,978,554

Expenses



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