

2023-2024

USD 470 Budget Profile



Arkansas City

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2023-2024 Budget General Information

USD #: 470

Introduction

Arkansas City Public Schools is a results-producing public school district. Our district holds a tradition of excellence in all matters related to student achievement and true, well-rounded education. Ark City students have been on the front lines of achievement and continue the tradition of exceeding learning targets suggested by the state.

Efforts by all staff members, students, and community members, have helped the district be recognized for excellence by the U.S. and Kansas Departments of Education, the Confidence of Kansas Public Education Task Force, the National Association of Secondary School Principals, the EPA, and many more.

USD 470 is committed to excellence in teaching and learning for all students. We will provide effective instructional leadership and quality learning environments that promote improved student outcomes. Our district holds high expectations for students and staff. We share with the community the responsibility for educating all students so that they will be prepared to live, work, and continue learning how to learn in an ever-changing world.

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Traci Trent, Curriculum & Instruction Secretary

Other Key Contacts:

Alisha Call, Director of Communications
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The District's Accomplishments and Challenges

Accomplishments:

Fully Accredited by KSDE through the KESA process.
Striving to consistently meet and exceed academic standards
Continued progress on district renovation projects
Improvements to accommodate vocational education
Implementation of full-day kindergartens
Implementation of blended Pre-K programs
Updating computer hardware/software for instruction
Improved technology connectivity
Increased building security
Continued use of data to drive instruction
Additional courses for high school students

Challenges:

Increase in At-Risk Students
Increase in the number of English language learners
Improving student achievement at all levels for every student
Recruitment and retention of teachers
Recruitment and retention of classified personnel
Long-term retention of quality faculty/staff
Continue improved of facilities
Continue improvement of bus/vehicle fleet
Continue improvement of technology

KSDE Website Information Available

K-12 Statistics (Building, District or State Totals) Report Generator:

https://datacentral.ksde.org/report_gen.aspx

Attendance / Enrollment Reports

Staff Reports

Graduates / Dropouts Reports

Crime / Violence Reports

School Finance Reports (Data Central) website below:

<https://datacentral.ksde.org/default.aspx>

Assessed Valuation

Cash Balances

Headcount Enrollment

Mill Levies

Personnel (Certified/Non-Certified)

Salary Reports

Kansas Building Report Card website below:

<http://ksreportcard.ksde.org/>

Attendance Rate

Graduation Rate

Dropout Rate

School Violence

Assessments

Reading

Mathematics

Writing

Graduates Passing Adv. Science Courses

Graduates Passing Adv. Math Courses

Accountability Reports website below:

<https://datacentral.ksde.org/accountability.aspx>

Performance Accountability Reports

Financial Accountability Reports

Longitudinal Achievement Reports