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Introduction

Since our founding in 2003, the mission of the Office for Education Policy has been looking at pressing issues through the lens of academic research and disseminating our findings to educators, policymakers, and other stakeholders around Arkansas. Every once in a while, however, we think it is okay to stray from issue analysis and simply share some good news!

In this Arkansas Education Report (AER), we aim to highlight excellent performance and offer our congratulations. To that end, we are happy to highlight many excellent schools around the state in our now-annual AER, entitled the **O**utstanding **E**ducational **P**erformance Awards, or the OEP awards.

In the 2014-15 academic year, Arkansas students have undergone a change in their assessment of student performance to better operate in collaboration with the Common Core Standards. The **P**artnership for **A**ssessment of **R**eadiness for College and Careers (PARCC) replaced the Arkansas Comprehensive Testing, Assessment, and Accountability Program (ACTAAP) for literacy and math exams for most students in the state.

As promised, with the release of the PARCC results at the school and district level, the spring edition of the **OEP Awards** will highlight high-performing schools in Arkansas based on their performance in the Math and Literacy exams at the Elementary, Middle, Junior High and High School level.

In this report we are continuing to rate schools' performance based on the "GPA" rating system that was introduced in 2012, however modifications had to be made as student performance categories differed in PARCC in relation to those of the Benchmark exams. PARCC assessed student performance based on whether or not they fall under one of the following five categories: Not Met Expectations, Partially Met Expectations, Approached Expectations, Met Expectations or Exceeded Expectations. The 4.0 grading scale was still utilized; 0 points were allocated to those that "Did not meet expectations" and 4 points were allocated to those who "Exceeded Expectations". This GPA measure does reflect a more accurate representation of student performance and is something that is familiar and meaningful to the public.

Category	GPA Points Awarded
Exceeded Expectations	4.0
Met Expectations	3.0
Approached Expectations	2.0
Partially Met Expectations	1.0
Did Not Meet Expectations	0.0

In this report, we are presenting a list of the top 20 schools in each area. In some cases, these "top 20 lists" will contain more than 20 schools as some schools' GPA scores will be identical. This is not a new phenomenon, as we also exceeded 20 schools in previous reports when using the percent proficient and advanced metric as an indicator for student achievement; however, there are fewer ties using the more precise GPA measure.

In the following weeks, we will focus on high-performing elementary schools, middle schools, and high schools in the various regions across the state. We will conclude this edition of the report by highlighting schools that are beating the odds (that is, schools that have high levels of student achievement while serving a high percentage of low-income students). Our release schedule is:

- High-Achieving Elementary Schools
- High-Achieving Middle Schools
- High-Achieving Junior High Schools
- High-Achieving High Schools
- Beating the Odds: High-Achieving Schools Serving Low-Income Communities

I. 2015 OEP Awards: High Achieving Elementary Schools in Arkansas based on Performance on the PARCC Exams

This section highlights high-performing elementary schools across the state based on the Arkansas PARCC exams. The PARCC examinations in math and literacy were administered to students in grades 3 through 11 in April 2015. Algebra 2 and Grade 11 Literacy were not included in the results as those exams were optional for students to take.

Each table in this section presents the top 20 schools for the noted subject area and school level. In addition, these tables include the region in which the schools is located, the grades served at the school, the percent of students met or exceeded expectation in 2015, and the GPA of the school in that particular subject.

For the purposes of this report, elementary schools are defined as schools which primarily serve grades 3-5, and middle schools are defined as schools which primarily serve grades 6-8. High schools that also serve middle school grades, e.g. schools that serve grades 6-12, are categorized as middle schools in this report. In the cases where these grades overlap, we used enrollment data to determine whether a school served more elementary or middle school students (see Appendix B).

A. Elementary School Overall PARCC Scores, 2015

Table 1: Top 20 Elementary Schools in Arkansas based on Overall PARCC Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Forest Park Elementary (Little Rock)	CN	P-5	75%	2.88
2	Vandergriff Elementary (Fayetteville)	NW	K-5	72%	2.74
3	Park Magnet (Hot Springs)	CN	K-5	68%	2.71
4	Don Roberts Elementary (Little Rock)	CN	P-5	68%	2.70
5	Baker Interdistrict Elementary (Pulaski County Special)	CN	K-5	65%	2.63
6	Janie Darr Elementary (Rogers)	NW	K-5	60%	2.52
7	Armorel Elementary (Armorel)	NE	K-6	56%	2.48
7	Skyline Heights Elementary (Harrison)	NW	K-4	58%	2.48
9	Euper Lane Elementary (Fort Smith)	NW	K-6	56%	2.47
9	Northwest Arkansas Classical Academy (Responsive				
	Ed Solutions Northwest Ark Classical Academy)	NW	K-6	56%	2.47
11	Salem Elementary (Salem)	NE	K-6	57%	2.46
12	Cooper Elementary (Bentonville)	NW	K-4	57%	2.44
13	Academy Of Technology (Vilonia)	CN	2-4	52%	2.43
13	Bellview Elementary (Rogers)	NW	K-5	58%	2.43
13	Central Park At Morning Star (Bentonville)	NW	K-4	57%	2.43
16	Mount Pleasant Elementary (Melbourne)	NE	K-6	54%	2.41
17	Caldwell Elementary (Benton)	CN	K-5	53%	2.40
17	Norfork Elementary (Norfork)	NW	K-6	51%	2.40
19	Greenbrier Westside Elementary (Greenbrier)	CN	K-5	52%	2.39
20	Cowsert Elementary (Clinton)	NW	K-3	59%	2.38

Tables 2-6: Top 5 Elementary Schools in Arkansas by Regions, Overall Achievement



Table 2: Top 5 schools in Northwest Region based on Overall Elementary PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Vandergriff Elementary (Fayetteville)	K-5	668	72%	2.74
2	Janie Darr Elementary (Rogers)	K-5	430	60%	2.52
3	Skyline Heights Elementary (Harrison)	K-4	294	58%	2.48
4	Euper Lane Elementary (Fort Smith)	K-6	412	56%	2.47
	Northwest Arkansas Classical Academy (Responsive Ed Solutions Northwest Ark				
4	Classical Academy)	K-6	493	56%	2.47



Table 3: Top 5 schools in Northeast Region based on Overall Elementary PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Armorel Elementary (Armorel)	K-6	227	56%	2.48
2	Salem Elementary (Salem)	K-6	481	57%	2.46
3	Mount Pleasant Elementary (Melbourne)	K-6	160	54%	2.41
4	Westside Elementary (Searcy)	K-3	216	51%	2.23
	Buffalo Is. Central West Elementary (Buffalo Is.				
5	Central Sch. Dist.)	P-6	250	42%	2.15



Table 4: Top 5 schools in **Central** Region based on **Overall** Elementary PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Forest Park Elementary (Little Rock)	P-5	408	75%	2.88
2	Park Magnet (Hot Springs)	K-5	196	69%	2.71
3	Don Roberts Elementary (Little Rock)	P-5	810	68%	2.70
4	Baker Interdistrict Elementary (Pulaski County Special)	K-5	412	65%	2.63
5	Academy Of Technology (Vilonia)	2-4	102	52%	2.43



Table 5: Top 5 schools in **Southwest** Region based on **Overall** Elementary PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Taylor Elementary (Emerson-Taylor-Bradley)	K-6	246	44%	2.20
2	Genoa Central Elementary (Genoa Central)	K-4	350	44%	2.19
3	Hugh Goodwin Elementary (El Dorado)	K-4	346	44%	2.16
4	Centerpoint Primary (Centerpoint)	P-3	120	43%	2.10
5	Wickes Elementary (Cossatot River)	P-6	360	42%	2.09



Table 6: Top 5 schools in **Southeast** Region based on **Overall** Elementary PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Gillett Elementary (Dewitt)	P-5	82	59%	2.35
2	Des Arc Elementary (Des Arc)	P-6	333	43%	2.04
3	Kingsland Elementary (Cleveland County)	K-5	106	33%	1.95
4	Dewitt Elementary (Dewitt)	K-5	454	27%	1.79
4	C.B. Partee Elementary (Brinkley)	K-6	274	29%	1.79

B. Elementary School Math PARCC Scores, 2015

Table 7: Top 10 Elementary Schools in Arkansas based on PARCC Math Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Forest Park Elementary (Little Rock)	CN	P-5	70%	2.80
2	Park Magnet (Hot Springs)	CN	K-5	67%	2.73
3	Vandergriff Elementary (Fayetteville)	NW	K-5	71%	2.73
4	Baker Interdistrict Elementary Sch. (Pulaski County Special)	CN	K-5	62%	2.62
5	Don Roberts Elementary (Little Rock)	NW	K-4	63%	2.61
6	Cooper Elementary (Bentonville)	CN	P-5	64%	2.59
7	Cowsert Elementary (Clinton)	NW	K-3	63%	2.52
8	Armorel Elementary (Armorel)	NE	K-6	56%	2.47
9	Skyline Heights Elementary (Harrison)	NW	K-4	57%	2.46
9	Northwest Arkansas Classical Academy (Responsive Ed Solutions Northwest Ark Classical Academy)	NW	K-6	54%	2.46

Tables 8-12: Top 5 Elementary Schools in Arkansas by Regions, Math Achievement



Table 8: Top 5 schools in **Northwest** Region based on Elementary **Math** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Vandergriff Elementary (Fayetteville)	K-5	333	71%	2.73
2	Cooper Elementary (Bentonville)	K-4	247	64%	2.59
3	Cowsert Elementary (Clinton)	K-3	88	63%	2.52
4	Skyline Heights Elem. (Harrison)	K-4	147	57%	2.46
	Northwest Arkansas Classical Academy				
	(Responsive Ed Solutions Northwest Ark				
4	Classical Academy)	K-6	206	54%	2.46



Table 9: Top 5 schools in Northeast Region based on Elementary Math PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Armorel Elementary (Armorel)	K-6	113	56%	2.47
2	Mount Pleasant Elementary (Melbourne)	K-6	80	54%	2.41
3	Salem Elementary (Salem)	K-6	240	54%	2.40
4	Westside Elementary (Searcy)	K-3	108	50%	2.25
	Buffalo Is. Central West Elementary (Buffalo				
5	Is. Central)	P-6	125	43%	2.15



Table 10: Top 5 schools in **Central** Region based on Elementary **Math** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Forest Park Elementary (Little Rock)	P-5	204	70%	2.80
2	Park Magnet (Hot Springs) Baker Interdistrict Elem. Sch. (Pulaski County	K-5	98	67%	2.73
3	Special)	K-5	206	62%	2.62
4	Don Roberts Elementary (Little Rock)	P-5	405	63%	2.61
5	Greenbrier Westside Elementary (Greenbrier)	K-5	224	53%	2.43



Table 11: Top 5 school in **Southwest** Region based on Elementary **Math** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Genoa Central Elementary (Genoa Central)	K-4	175	49%	2.25
2	Centerpoint Primary (Centerpoint)	P-3	60	47%	2.23
2	Hugh Goodwin Elementary (El Dorado)	K-4	173	42%	2.23
4	Van Cove Elementary (Cossatot River)	P-6	108	40%	2.16
5	Wickes Elementary (Cossatot River)	P-6	180	39%	2.11
5	DeQueen Elementary (DeQueen)	3-5	507	36%	2.11



Table 12: Top 5 schools in **Southeast** Region based on Elementary **Math** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Gillett Elementary (Dewitt)	P-5	41	63%	2.44
2	Des Arc Elementary (Des Arc)	P-6	166	41%	2.06
3	Kingsland Elementary (Cleveland County)	K-5	53	28%	1.83
4	C.B. Partee Elementary (Brinkley)	K-6	137	27%	1.80
5	Crossett Elementary (Crossett)	P-4	242	30%	1.79

C. Elementary School Literacy PARCC Scores, 2015

Table 13: Top 10 Elementary Schools in Arkansas based on PARCC Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Forest Park Elementary (Little Rock)	CN	P-5	81%	2.97
2	Don Roberts Elementary (Little Rock)	CN	P-5	74%	2.78
3	Vandergriff Elementary (Fayetteville)	NW	K-5	73%	2.75
4	Park Magnet School (Hot Springs)	CN	K-5	69%	2.69
4	Gibbs Magnet Elementary (Little Rock)	CN	K-5	66%	2.69
6	Baker Interdistrict Elementary (Pulaski County Special)	CN	K-5	67%	2.64
7	Janie Darr Elementary (Rogers)	NW	K-5	65%	2.60
8	Academy Of Technology (Vilonia)	CN	2-4	57%	2.55
9	Salem Elementary (Salem)	NE	K-6	60%	2.53
9	Jefferson Elementary (Little Rock)	CN	P-5	60%	2.53

Tables 14-18: Top 5 Elementary Schools in Arkansas by Regions, Literacy Achievement.



Table 14: Top 5 schools in Northwest Region based on Elementary Literacy PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Vandergriff Elementary School (Fayetteville)	K-5	335	73%	2.75
2	Janie Darr Elementary School (Rogers)	K-5	215	65%	2.60
3	Norfork Elementary School (Norfork)	K-6	123	60%	2.52
3	Euper Lane Elementary School (Fort Smith)	K-6	211	58%	2.52
5	Skyline Heights Elem. School (Harrison)	K-4	147	59%	2.50



Table 15: Top 5 schools in Northeast Region based on Elementary Literacy PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Salem Elementary (Salem)	K-6	241	60%	2.54
2	Armorel Elementary (Armorel)	K-6	114	55%	2.51
3	Mount Pleasant Elementary (Melbourne)	K-6	80	55%	2.41
4	Richland Elementary (West Memphis)	K-6	293	51%	2.30
5	Tuckerman Elementary (Jackson Co.)	K-4	108	49%	2.22



Table 16: Top 5 schools in **Central** Region based on Elementary **Literacy** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Forest Park Elementary (Little Rock)	P-5	204	81%	2.97
2	Don Roberts Elementary (Little Rock)	P-5	405	74%	2.80
3	Park Magnet (Hot Springs)	K-5	98	69%	2.69
4	Gibbs Magnet Elementary (Little Rock)	K-5	126	66%	2.69
	Baker Interdistrict Elementary(Pulaski County				
5	Special)	K-5	206	67%	2.64



Table 17: Top 5 school in **Southwest** Region based on Elementary **Literacy** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Emerson Elementary (Emerson-Taylor-Bradley)	K-6	123	55%	2.36
2	Taylor Elementary (Emerson-Taylor-Bradley)	K-6	97	45%	2.21
3	Spring Hill Elementary (Spring Hill)	K-6	150	38%	2.15
4	Genoa Central Elementary(Genoa Central)	K-4	175	40%	2.13
5	Centerpoint intermediate (Centerpoint)	4-5	149	39%	2.09
5	Hugh Goodwin Elementary (El Dorado)	K-4	173	46%	2.09



Table 18: Top 5 schools in **Southeast** Region based on Elementary **Literacy** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Gillett Elementary (Dewitt)	P-5	41	54%	2.27
2	Kingsland Elementary (Cleveland County)	K-5	53	38%	2.06
3	Des Arc Elementary (Des Arc)	P-6	167	45%	2.02
4	Hazen Elementary (Hazen)	P-8	268	38%	1.90
5	Portland Elementary (Hamburg)	P-5	56	32%	1.86

II. 2015 OEP Awards: High Achieving Middle Schools in Arkansas based on Performance on the PARCC Exams

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D. Middle School Overall PARCC Scores, 2015

Table 19: Top 20 Middle Schools in Arkansas based on Overall PARCC Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% Met/ Exceeded Expectations	GPA
1	McNair Middle (Fayetteville)	NW	6-7	64%	2.61
2	Bright Field Middle (Bentonville)	NW	5-6	52%	2.37
3	East Hills Middle (Greenwood)	NW	6-7	46%	2.31
4	Greenbrier Middle (Greenbrier)	CN	6-7	47%	2.27
5	Benton Middle (Benton)	CN	6-7	45%	2.23
6	Bethel Middle (Bryant)	CN	6-8	45%	2.22
7	Ruth Doyle Intermediate (Conway)	CN	5-7	45%	2.21
8	Pottsville Middle Grade (Pottsville)	NW	4-6	43%	2.19
9	Cabot Middle South (Cabot)	CN	5-6	43%	2.18
10	Kirksey Middle (Rogers)	NW	6-8	43%	2.17
11	Ruth Barker Middle (Bentonville)	NW	5-6	42%	2.13
11	Gentry Middle (Gentry)	NW	6-8	44%	2.13
11	Gravette Middle (Gravette)	NW	6-8	44%	2.13
14	Carl Stuart Middle (Conway)	CN	5-7	42%	2.12
14	Flightline Upper Academy (Jacksonville Lighthouse Charter)	CN	5-8	40%	2.12
16	Hellstern Middle (Springdale)	NW	6-7	42%	2.11
16	Elmwood Middle (Rogers)	NW	6-8	41%	2.11
18	Ray/Phyllis Simon Intermediate (Conway)	CN	5-7	41%	2.10
19	Old High Middle (Bentonville)	NW	5-6	40%	2.09
19	Clinton Intermediate (Clinton)	NW	4-6	40%	2.09

Tables 20-24: Top 5 Middle Schools in Arkansas by Regions, Overall Achievement



Table 20: Top 5 schools in Northwest Region based on Overall Middle PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	McNair Middle (Fayetteville)	6-7	1,348	64%	2.61
2	Bright Field Middle (Bentonville)	5-6	1,266	52%	2.37
3	East Hills Middle (Greenwood)	6-7	1,068	46%	2.31
4	Pottsville Middle Grade (Pottsville)	4-6	744	43%	2.19
5	Kirksey Middle (Rogers)	6-8	2,034	43%	2.17



Table 21: Top 5 schools in Northeast Region based on Overall Middle PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Brookland Middle (Brookland)	4-6	1,016	40%	2.07
2	Southwest Middle (Searcy)	4-6	1,760	40%	2.04
3	Swifton Middle (Jackson Co.)	5-7	396	35%	2.03
4	Nettleton Middle (Nettleton)	6	460	37%	2.02
5	Highland Middle (Highland)	5-8	962	35%	1.94



Table 22: Top 5 schools in Central Region based on Overall Middle PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Greenbrier Middle (Greenbrier)	6-7	1,064	47%	2.27
2	Benton Middle (Benton)	6-7	1,474	45%	2.23
3	Bethel Middle (Bryant)	6-8	1,784	45%	2.22
4	Ruth Doyle Intermediate (Conway)	5-7	979	45%	2.21
5	Cabot Middle South (Cabot)	5-6	1,422	43%	2.18



Table 23: Top 5 schools in Southwest Region based on Overall Middle PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Gary E. Cobb Middle (Genoa Central)	5-8	668	35%	2.05
2	McRae Middle (Prescott)	5-6	304	36%	1.94
3	Acorn High (Ouachita River)	6-12	368	31%	1.89
4	DeQueen Middle (DeQueen)	6-7	731	29%	1.87
5	Paulette Smith Middle (Fouke)	6-8	462	32%	1.85



Table 24: Top 5 schools in Southeast Region based on Overall Middle PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Monticello Middle (Monticello)	6-8	862	24%	1.64
2	Crossett Middle (Crossett)	5-8	1,022	23%	1.60
3	Dewitt Middle (Dewitt)	6-8	572	22%	1.59
4	KIPP:Delta College Prep (KIPP Delta Public Schools)	5-8	581	19%	1.58
5	Meekins Middle (Stuttgart)	5-6	485	19%	1.57

E. Middle School Math PARCC Scores, 2015

Table 25: Top 10 Middle Schools in Arkansas based on PARCC Math Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	McNair Middle (Fayetteville)	NW	6-7	56%	2.44
2	Bright Field Middle (Bentonville)	NW	5-6	45%	2.28
3	Pottsville Middle Grade(Pottsville)	NW	4-6	45%	2.24
4	Greenbrier Middle (Greenbrier)	CN	6-7	43%	2.19
5	Cabot Middle South(Cabot)	CN	5-6	43%	2.17
6	East Hills Middle (Greenwood)	NW	6-7	36%	2.13
7	Gravette Middle (Gravette)	NW	6-8	44%	2.12
8	Benton Middle (Benton)	CN	6-7	39%	2.10
9	Ruth Doyle Intermediate (Conway)	CN	5-7	38%	2.08
10	Hellstern Middle (Springdale)	NW	6-7	40%	2.07

Tables 26-30: Top 5 Middle Schools in Arkansas by Regions, Math Achievement



Table 26: Top 5 schools in Northwest Region based on Middle Math PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	McNair Middle (Fayetteville)	6-7	674	56%	2.44
2	Bright Field Middle (Bentonville)	5-6	633	45%	2.28
3	Pottsville Middle Grade (Pottsville)	4-6	372	45%	2.24
4	East Hills Middle (Greenwood)	6-7	534	36%	2.13
5	Gravette Middle (Gravette)	6-8	426	44%	2.12



Table 27: Top 5 schools in Northeast Region based on Middle Math PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Swifton Middle (Jackson Co.)	5-7	198	32%	1.96
2	Southwest Middle (Searcy)	4-6	880	34%	1.95
2	Brookland Middle (Brookland)	4-6	507	34%	1.95
2	Heber Springs Middle (Heber Springs)	6-8	395	35%	1.95
5	Highland Middle (Highland)	5-8	481	31%	1.87



Table 28: Top 5 schools in Central Region based on Middle Math PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Greenbrier Middle (Greenbrier)	6-7	532	43%	2.19
2	Cabot Middle South (Cabot)	5-6	711	43%	2.17
3	Benton Middle (Benton)	6-7	740	39%	2.10
4	Ruth Doyle Intermediate (Conway)	5-7	490	38%	2.08
5	Lakeside Middle (Lakeside Dist. (Garland))	5-7	769	36%	2.05



Table 29: Top 5 school in Southwest Region based on Middle Math PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Gary E. Cobb Middle (Genoa Central)	5-8	334	28%	1.92
2	McRae Middle (Prescott)	5-6	152	35%	1.89
3	DeQueen Middle (DeQueen)	6-7	366	27%	1.86
4	Acorn High (Ouachita River)	6-12	170	26%	1.85
5	Goza Middle (Arkadelphia)	6-8	420	30%	1.80



Table 30: Top 5 schools in Southeast Region based on Middle Math PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	KIPP: Delta College Prep (KIPP Delta Public Schools)	5-8	289	20%	1.69
2	Monticello Middle (Monticello)	6-8	431	23%	1.65
3	Crossett Middle (Crossett)	5-8	510	22%	1.59
4	Meekins Middle (Stuttgart)	5-6	243	19%	1.58
5	Dewitt Middle (Dewitt)	6-8	286	15%	1.49

F. Middle School Literacy PARCC Scores, 2015

Table 31: Top 10 Middle Schools in Arkansas based on PARCC Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	McNair Middle (Fayetteville)	NW	6-7	72%	2.79
2	East Hills Middle (Greenwood)	NW	6-7	55%	2.49
3	Kirksey Middle (Rogers)	NW	6-8	57%	2.46
4	Bright Field Middle (Bentonville)	NW	5-6	58%	2.45
5	Gentry Middle (Gentry) Flightline Upper Academy(Jacksonville	NW	6-8	58%	2.44
6	Lighthouse Charter)	CN	5-8	53%	2.43
7	Bethel Middle (Bryant)	CN	6-8	54%	2.41
8	Nemo Vista Middle (Nemo Vista)	CN	6-8	57%	2.39
9	Benton Middle (Benton)	CN	6-7	51%	2.37
10	Ruth Baker Middle(Bentonville)	NW	5-6	52%	2.36

Tables 32-36: Top 5 Middle Schools in Arkansas by Regions, Literacy Achievement.



Table 32: Top 5 schools in Northwest Region based on Middle Literacy PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	McNair Middle (Fayetteville)	6-7	675	72%	2.79
2	East Hills Middle (Greenwood)	6-7	534	55%	2.49
3	Kirksey Middle (Rogers)	6-8	1,014	57%	2.46
4	Bright Field Middle (Bentonville)	5-6	633	58%	2.45
5	Gentry Middle (Gentry)	6-8	317	58%	2.44



Table 33: Top 5 schools in Northeast Region based on Middle Literacy PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Brookland Middle (Brookland)	4-6	509	47%	2.18
2	Nettleton Middle (Nettleton)	6	230	44%	2.17
3	Southwest Middle (Searcy)	4-6	880	45%	2.13
4	Swifton Middle (Jackson Co.)	5-7	198	38%	2.09
5	Mountain View Middle (Mountain View)	5-8	365	38%	2.06



Table 34: Top 5 schools in Central Region based on Middle Literacy PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
	Flightline Upper Academy(Jacksonville				
1	Lighthouse Charter)	5-8	196	53%	2.43
2	Bethel Middle (Bryant)	6-8	890	54%	2.41
3	Benton Middle (Benton)	6-7	734	51%	2.37
4	Pulaski Heights Middle (Little Rock)	6-8	782	52%	2.35
4	Greenbrier Middle(Greenbrier)	6-7	532	51%	2.35



Table 35: Top 5 school in Southwest Region based on Middle Literacy PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Gary E. Cobb Middle (Genoa Central)	5-8	334	42%	2.18
2	Paulette Smith Middle (Fouke)	6-8	231	44%	2.13
3	McRae Middle (Prescott)	5-6	152	38%	1.99
4	Acorn High (Ouachita River)	6-12	198	35%	1.93
4	Cabe Middle (Gurdon)	5-8	203	36%	1.93



Table 36: Top 5 schools in Southeast Region based on Middle Literacy PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Lakeside Middle (Lakeside Dist. (Chicot))	6-8	201	27%	1.76
2	Dewitt Middle (Dewitt)	6-8	286	29%	1.69
3	Hamburg Middle (Hamburg)	6-8	477	26%	1.65
4	Monticello Middle (Monticello)	6-8	431	25%	1.64
5	Crossett Middle (Crossett)	5-8	512	24%	1.62

III. 2015 OEP AWARDS: HIGH ACHIEVING JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

This section highlights high-achieving junior high school across Arkansas based on the PARCC Math and Literacy examinations of the 2014-15 academic year.

This section is divided into subsections based the two exams. Schools are ranked using the GPA performance measure (explained in the Introduction) in each subject. In the subsections, the tables present the high-achieving schools for the noted category and subject using the GPA performance measure. These tables include the region in which the school is located, the number of test takers, the percent of students that met or exceeded expectation, and the GPA of the school in that particular subject.

G. Junior High School Overall PARCC Scores, 2015

Table 37: Top 20 Junior High Schools in Arkansas based on Overall PARCC Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% Met/ Exceeded Expectations	GPA
1	J. William Fulbright Junior High (Bentonville)	NW	7-8	61%	2.58
2	Valley View Junior High (Valley View)	NE	7-9	57%	2.44
3	Woodland Junior High (Fayetteville)	NW	8-9	58%	2.42
4	Greenbrier Junior High (Greenbrier)	CN	8-9	52%	2.37
5	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville)	NW	7-8	52%	2.36
6	Washington Junior High (Bentonville)	NW	7-8	51%	2.31
7	L. A. Chaffin Jr. High (Fort Smith)	NW	7-9	48%	2.27
8	Cabot Freshman Academy(Cabot)	CN	9-9	44%	2.17
9	Benton Junior High (Benton)	CN	8-9	46%	2.15
10	Ahlf Junior High (Searcy)	NE	7-8	41%	2.09
10	Vilonia Junior High (Vilonia)	CN	8-9	41%	2.09
12	Pocahontas Junior High (Pocahontas)	NE	7-9	40%	2.08
12	Ramay Junior High (Fayetteville)	NW	8-9	40%	2.08
14	Harrison Jr. High (Harrison)	NW	7-9	38%	2.03
15	Beebe Junior High (Beebe)	NE	7-8	36%	1.99
15	Siloam Springs Middle (Siloam Springs)	NW	7-8	38%	1.99
17	Clinton Jr High (Clinton)	NW	7-9	36%	1.98
17	Central Junior High (Springdale)	NW	8-9	40%	1.98
17	Cabot Junior High North (Cabot)	CN	7-8	36%	1.98
20	Mountain Home Jr. High (Mountain Home)	NW	8-8	40%	1.97

Table 38-42: Top 5 Junior High Schools in Arkansas by Region, Overall PARCC performance.



Table 38: Top 5 schools in Northwest Region based on Overall Jr. High PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	J. William Fulbright Junior High (Bentonville)	7-8	1,484	61%	2.58
2	Woodland Junior High (Fayetteville)	8-9	1,439	58%	2.42
3	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville)	7-8	1,654	52%	2.36
4	Washington Junior High (Bentonville)	7-8	1,440	51%	2.31
5	L. A. Chaffin Jr. High (Fort Smith)	7-9	1,707	48%	2.27



Table 39: Top 5 schools in Northeast Region based on Overall Jr. High PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Valley View Junior High (Valley View)	7-9	1,195	57%	2.44
2	Ahlf Junior High (Searcy)	7-8	1,284	41%	2.09
3	Pocahontas Junior High (Pocahontas)	7-9	860	40%	2.08
4	Beebe Junior High (Beebe)	7-8	892	36%	1.99
5	Buffalo Is. Central JH (Buffalo Is. Central Sch. Dist.)	7-9	393	35%	1.95



Table 40: Top 5 schools in **Central** Region based on **Overall** Jr. High PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Greenbrier Junior High (Greenbrier)	8-9	1,030	52%	2.37
2	Cabot Freshman Academy (Cabot)	9-9	1,476	44%	2.17
3	Benton Junior High (Benton)	8-9	1,584	46%	2.15
4	Vilonia Junior High (Vilonia)	8-9	967	41%	2.09
5	Cabot Junior High North (Cabot)	7-8	1,680	36%	1.98



Table 41: Top 5 schools in **Southwest** Region based on **Overall** Jr. High PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Nashville Junior High (DeQueen)	7-9	816	28%	1.76
2	DeQueen Junior High (Nashville)	8-9	678	27%	1.75
3	Barton Jr. High (El Dorado)	7-8	1,296	25%	1.62
4	Magnolia Jr. High (Magnolia)	7-9	1,255	21%	1.47
5	North Heights Jr. High (Texarkana)	7-8	1,162	14%	1.21

^{*} Note: There were only six Junior High schools in this category



Table 42: Top 5 schools in **Southeast** Region based on **Overall** Jr. High PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Stuttgart Junior High (Stuttgart)	7-8	517	23%	1.37
2	Dumas Junior High (Dumas)	7-9	587	15%	1.32

^{*} Note: These are the only two Junior High schools in this category

H. Junior High School Math PARCC Scores, 2015

Table 43: Top 10 Jr. High Schools in Arkansas based on PARCC Math Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
	J. William Fulbright Junior High				
1	(Bentonville)	NW	7-8	55%	2.40
2	Woodland Junior High (Fayetteville)	NW	8-9	56%	2.36
3	Valley View Junior High (Valley View)	NE	7-9	50%	2.31
4	Greenbrier Junior High (Greenbrier)	CN	8-9	48%	2.27
5	Washington Junior High (Bentonville)	NW	7-8	48%	2.25
6	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville)	NW	7-8	46%	2.24
6	Benton Junior High (Benton)	CN	8-9	49%	2.20
8	Pocahontas Junior High (Pocahontas)	NE	7-9	38%	2.09
9	L. A. Chaffin Jr. High (Fort Smith)	NW	7-9	37%	2.05
10	Cabot Freshman Academy (Cabot)	CN	9-9	36%	2.04

Tables 44-48: Top 5 Junior High Schools in Arkansas by Regions, Math Achievement



Table 44: Top 5 schools in **Northwest** Region based on Jr. High **Math** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	J. William Fulbright Junior High (Bentonville)	7-8	743	56%	2.40
2	Woodland Junior High (Fayetteville)	8-9	700	55%	2.36
3	Washington Junior High (Bentonville)	7-8	720	48%	2.25
4	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville)	7-8	827	46%	2.24
5	L. A. Chaffin Jr. High (Fort Smith)	7-9	853	37%	2.05



Table 45: Top 5 schools in **Northeast** Region based on Jr. High **Math** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Valley View Junior High (Valley View)	7-9	593	50%	2.32
2	Pocahontas Junior High (Pocahontas)	7-9	429	38%	2.09
3	Beebe Junior High (Beebe)	7-8	446	35%	1.98
4	Ahlf Junior High (Searcy)	7-8	642	34%	1.95
5	Nettleton Junior High (Nettleton)	7-8	476	27%	1.80



Table 46: Top 5 schools in **Central** Region based on Jr. High **Math** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Greenbrier Junior High (Greenbrier)	8-9	509	48%	2.27
2	Benton Junior High (Benton)	8-9	794	49%	2.20
3	Cabot Freshman Academy (Cabot)	9-9	739	36%	2.04
4	Conway Junior High (Conway)	8-9	1,326	40%	2.02
5	Cabot Junior High North (Cabot)	7-8	840	35%	1.99



Table 47: Top 5 school in **Southwest** Region based on Jr. High **Math** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	DeQueen Junior High (DeQueen)	8-9	341	31%	1.86
2	Nashville Junior High (Nashville)	7-9	409	21%	1.63
3	Barton Jr. High (El Dorado)	7-8	648	21%	1.51
4	Magnolia Jr. High (Magnolia)	7-9	618	14%	1.37
5	North Heights Jr. High (Texarkana)	7-8	581	11%	1.17

^{*} Note: There were only six Junior High schools in this category



Table 48: Top 5 schools in **Southeast** Region based on Jr. High **Math** PARCC performance

		Grades	# of Test	% Met/ Exceed	CDA
1	School (District) Stuttgart Junior High (Stuttgart)	Served 7-8	Takers 258	Expectations 22%	GPA 1.41
2	Dumas Junior High (Dumas)	7-9	272	4%	1.03

^{*} Note: These are the only two Junior High schools in this category

I. Junior High School Literacy PARCC Scores, 2015

Table 49: Top 10 Jr. High Schools in Arkansas based on PARCC Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	J. William Fulbright Junior High (Bentonville)	NW	7-8	68%	2.76
2	Valley View Junior High (Valley View)	NE	7-9	64%	2.57
3	Woodland Junior High (Fayetteville)	NW	8-9	60%	2.49
4	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville)	NW	7-8	57%	2.49
5	L. A. Chaffin Jr. High (Fort Smith)	NW	7-9	58%	2.48
5	Greenbrier Junior High (Greenbrier)	CN	8-9	56%	2.46
7	Washington Junior High (Bentonville)	NW	7-8	54%	2.38
8	Cabot Freshman Academy(Cabot)	CN	9-9	53%	2.30
9	Ramay Junior High (Fayetteville)	NW	8-9	47%	2.24
9	Ahlf Junior High (Searcy)	NE	7-8	47%	2.24

Tables 50-54: Top 5 Junior High Schools in Arkansas by Regions, Literacy Achievement



Table 50: Top 5 schools in **Northwest** Region based on Jr. High **Literacy** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	J. William Fulbright Junior High (Bentonville)	7-8	741	68%	2.76
2	Woodland Junior High (Fayetteville)	8-9	739	60%	2.49
2	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville)	7-8	827	57%	2.49
4	L. A. Chaffin Jr. High (Fort Smith)	7-9	854	58%	2.48
5	Washington Junior High (Bentonville)	7-8	720	54%	2.38



Table 51: Top 5 schools in **Northeast** Region based on Jr. High **Literacy** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Valley View Junior High (Valley View)	7-9	602	64%	2.57
2	Ahlf Junior High (Searcy) Buffalo Is. Central Junior High (Buffalo Is.	7-8	642	47%	2.24
3	Central)	7-9	196	46%	2.17
4	Pocahontas Junior High (Pocahontas) Southside Junior High (Southside	7-9	431	42%	2.08
5	(Independence))	7-9	350	40%	2.02



Table 52: Top 5 schools in **Central** Region based on Jr. High **Literacy** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Greenbrier Junior High (Greenbrier)	8-9	521	56%	2.46
2	Cabot Freshman Academy (Cabot)	9-9	737	53%	2.30
3	Vilonia Junior High (Vilonia)	8-9	500	45%	2.21
4	Benton Junior High (Benton)	8-9	790	44%	2.10
5	Cabot Junior High North (Cabot)	7-8	840	37%	1.96



Table 53: Top 5 school in **Southwest** Region based on Jr. High **Literacy** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Nashville Junior High (Nashville)	7-9	407	35%	1.89
2	Barton Jr. High (El Dorado)	7-8	648	29%	1.72
3	DeQueen Junior High (DeQueen)	8-9	339	23%	1.65
4	Magnolia Jr. High (Magnolia)	7-9	637	27%	1.56
5	North Heights Jr. High (Texarkana)	7-8	581	16%	1.25

^{*} Note: There were only six Junior High schools in this category



Table 54: Top 5 schools in **Southeast** Region based on Jr. High **Literacy** PARCC performance

		Grades	# of Test	% Met/ Exceed	
	School (District)	Served	Takers	Expectations	GPA
1	Dumas Junior High (Dumas)	7-9	315	25%	1.61
2	Stuttgart Junior High (Stuttgart)	7-8	259	24%	1.34

^{*} Note: These are the only two Junior High schools in this category

IV. 2015 OEP Awards: High Achieving High Schools

This section highlights high-achieving high school across Arkansas based on the PARCC Math and Literacy examinations of the 2014-15 academic year. These are the schools that serve primarily 9th through 12th graders.

This section is divided into subsections based the two exams. Schools are ranked using the GPA performance measure (explained in the Introduction) in each subject. In the subsections, the tables present the high-achieving schools for the noted category and subject using the GPA performance measure. These tables include the region in which the school is located, the number of test takers, the percent of students that met or exceeded expectation, and the GPA of the school in that particular subject.

J. High School Overall PARCC Scores, 2015

Table 55: Top 20 High Schools in Arkansas based on Overall PARCC Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% Met/ Exceeded Expectations	GPA
1	Haas Hall Academy (Haas Hall Academy)	NW	8-12	96%	3.38
2	Bentonville High (Bentonville)	NW	9-12	60%	2.58
3	Benton High (Benton)	CN	10-12	57%	2.47
4	Rogers New Technology High (Rogers)	NW	9-12	57%	2.44
5	Concord High (Concord)	NE	7-12	55%	2.38
6	Benton Cty. School Of Arts High (Arkansas Arts Academy)	NW	9-12	50%	2.34
7	Norfork High (Norfork)	NW	7-12	53%	2.33
8	Valley View High (Valley View)	NE	10-12	45%	2.26
8	Bismarck High (Bismarck)	CN	9-12	44%	2.26
10	Marshall High (Searcy County)	NW	7-12	46%	2.25
11	Mt. Vernon/Enola High (Mt. Vernon/Enola)	CN	7-12	46%	2.24
12	Fayetteville High East(Fayetteville)	NW	9-12	46%	2.23
13	Rogers High (Rogers)	NW	9-12	44%	2.20
14	Cave City High (Cave City)	NE	9-12	45%	2.19
14	Marked Tree High (Marked Tree)	NE	9-12	42%	2.19
15	Gentry High (Gentry)	NW	9-12	43%	2.19
17	Southside High (Southside (Independence))	NE	10-12	41%	2.15
17	Conway High West (Conway)	CN	10-12	45%	2.15
19	Dardanelle High (Dardanelle)	NW	9-12	43%	2.14
20	Buffalo Is. Central High (Buffalo Is. Central)	NE	10-12	40%	2.13

Table 56-60: Top 5 High Schools in Arkansas by Region, Overall PARCC performance.



Table 56: Top 5 schools in Northwest Region based on Overall High PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Haas Hall Academy (Haas Hall Academy)	8-12	309	96%	3.38
2	Bentonville High (Bentonville)	9-12	4,184	60%	2.58
3	Rogers New Technology High (Rogers)	9-12	537	57%	2.44
4	Benton Cty School Of Arts High (Arkansas Arts Academy)	9-12	230	50%	2.34
5	Norfork High (Norfork)	7-12	280	53%	2.33



Table 57: Top 5 schools in Northeast Region based on Overall High PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Concord High (Concord)	7-12	275	55%	2.38
2	Valley View High (Valley View)	10-12	361	45%	2.26
3	Cave City High (Cave City)	9-12	363	45%	2.19
3	Marked Tree High (Marked Tree)	9-12	165	42%	2.19
5	Southside High (Southside (Independence))	10-12	262	41%	2.15



Table 58: Top 5 schools in **Central** Region based on **Overall** High PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Benton High (Benton)	10-12	902	57%	2.47
2	Bismarck High (Bismarck)	9-12	345	44%	2.26
3	Mt. Vernon/Enola High (Mt. Vernon/Enola)	7-12	283	46%	2.24
4	Conway High West (Conway)	10-12	1,090	45%	2.15
5	Parkview Magnet High (Little Rock)	9-12	417	42%	2.13
5	Greenbrier High (Greenbrier)	10-12	379	42%	2.13



Table 59: Top 5 schools in **Southwest** Region based on **Overall** High PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Foreman High (Foreman)	7-12	310	37%	2.03
2	Taylor High (Emerson-Taylor-Bradley)	7-12	197	42%	2.03
3	Horatio High (Horatio)	7-12	468	34%	2.02
4	Parkers Chapel High (Parkers Chapel)	7-12	457	35%	1.93
5	Mount Ida High (Mount Ida)	7-12	311	30%	1.87



Table 60: Top 5 schools in **Southeast** Region based on **Overall** High PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Des Arc High (Des Arc)	7-12	344	35%	1.95
2	Monticello High (Monticello)	9-12	614	26%	1.75
3	Dewitt High (Dewitt)	9-12	375	25%	1.74
4	Drew Central High (Drew Central)	9-12	326	26%	1.73
4	KIPP Blytheville Collegiate High (KIPP Delta Public Schools)	9-12	88	26%	1.73

K. High School Math PARCC Scores, 2015

Table 61: Top 10 High Schools in Arkansas based on PARCC Math Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Haas Hall Academy (Haas Hall Academy)	NW	8-12	95%	3.22
2	Benton High (Benton)	CN	10-12	54%	2.45
3	Bentonville High (Bentonville)	NW	9-12	53%	2.42
4	Concord High (Concord)	NE	7-12	50%	2.29
5	Dardanelle High (Dardanelle)	NW	9-12	43%	2.26
6	Rogers New Technology High (Rogers)	NW	9-12	44%	2.18
7	Bismarck High (Bismarck)	CN	9-12	36%	2.15
7	Siloam Springs High (Siloam Springs)	NW	9-12	36%	2.14
9	Gentry High (Gentry)	NW	9-12	38%	2.13
10	Marshall High (Searcy County)	NW	7-12	41%	2.12

Tables 62-66: Top 5 High Schools in Arkansas by Regions, Math Achievement



Table 62: Top 5 schools in Northwest Region based on High Math PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Haas Hall Academy (Haas Hall Academy)	8-12	126	96%	3.22
2	Bentonville High School (Bentonville)	9-12	1,991	53%	2.42
3	Dardanelle High School (Dardanelle) Rogers New Technology High School	9-12	210	43%	2.26
4	(Rogers)	9-12	263	44%	2.18
5	Siloam Springs High (Siloam Springs)	9-12	593	36%	2.14



Table 63: Top 5 schools in Northeast Region based on High Math PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Concord High (Concord)	7-12	137	50%	2.29
2	McCrory High (McCrory)	7-12	167	41%	2.08
3	Marked Tree High (Marked Tree)	9-12	81	38%	2.06
4	Southside High (Southside (Independence))	10-12	130	34%	2.05
5	Valley View High (Valley View)	10-12	159	28%	2.04



Table 64: Top 5 schools in **Central** Region based on High **Math** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Benton High 1 (Benton)	10-12	548	54%	2.45
2	Bismarck High (Bismarck)	9-12	187	36%	2.15
3	Mt. Vernon/Enola High (Mt. Vernon/Enola)	7-12	139	36%	2.09
4	Lisa Academy High (Lisa Academy)	9-12	252	35%	1.98
4	Sheridan High (Sheridan)	9-12	570	33%	1.97



Table 65: Top 5 school in **Southwest** Region based on High **Math** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Horatio High (Horatio)	7-12	231	29%	1.90
2	Parkers Chapel High (Parkers Chapel)	7-12	220	30%	1.90
3	Taylor High (Emerson-Taylor-Bradley)	7-12	99	31%	1.89
4	Mount Ida High (Mount Ida)	7-12	152	26%	1.83
5	Foreman High (Foreman)	7-12	142	25%	1.82



Table 66: Top 5 schools in **Southeast** Region based on High **Math** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Des Arc High (Des Arc)	7-12	174	32%	1.91
2	Drew Central High (Drew Central)	9-12	168	23%	1.79
3	Monticello High (Monticello)	9-12	292	17%	1.72
4	Stuttgart High (Stuttgart)	9-12	221	24%	1.69
5	Star City High (Star City)	9-12	225	20%	1.68

L. High School Literacy PARCC Scores, 2015

Table 67: Top 10 High Schools in Arkansas based on PARCC Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Haas Hall Academy(Haas Hall Academy)	NW	8-12	97%	3.54
2	Bentonville High (Bentonville)	NW	9-12	67%	2.75
3	Benton Cty Of Arts High (Arkansas Arts Academy)	NW	9-12	68%	2.73
4	Rogers New Technology High (Rogers)	NW	9-12	69%	2.69
5	Fayetteville High East (Fayetteville)	NW	9-12	64%	2.64
6	Norfork High (Norfork)	NW	7-12	65%	2.56
7	Parkview Magnet High (Little Rock)	CN	9-12	58%	2.52
8	Benton High (Benton)	CN	10-12	61%	2.50
8	Pottsville High (Pottsville)	NW	10-12	62%	2.50
10	Valley View High (Valley View)	NE	10-12	58%	2.49

Tables 68-72: Top 5 High Schools in Arkansas by Regions, Literacy Achievement



Table 68: Top 5 schools in **Northwest** Region based on High **Literacy** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Haas Hall Academy (Haas Hall Academy)	8-12	183	97%	3.54
2	Bentonville High (Bentonville) Benton Cty School Of Arts High (Arkansas	9-12	2,193	67%	2.75
3	Arts Academy)	9-12	124	68%	2.73
4	Rogers New Technology High (Rogers)	9-12	274	69%	2.69
5	Fayetteville High School East (Fayetteville)	9-12	622	64%	2.64



Table 69: Top 5 schools in Northeast Region based on High Literacy PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Valley View High (Valley View)	10-12	202	58%	2.49
2	Concord High (Concord) Buffalo Is. Central High (Buffalo Is. Central	7-12	138	59%	2.47
3	Sch. Dist.)	10-12	58	57%	2.38
3	Cave City High (Cave City)	9-12	189	54%	2.38
5	Timbo High (Mountain View)	7-12	63	51%	2.37



Table 70: Top 5 schools in **Central** Region based on High **Literacy** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Parkview Magnet High School (Little Rock)	9-12	540	58%	2.52
2	Benton High School (Benton)	10-12	354	60%	2.50
3	Mt. Vernon/Enola High (Mt. Vernon/Enola)	7-12	150	55%	2.40
4	Bismarck High School (Bismarck)	9-12	158	53%	2.37
4	Conway High West (Conway)	10-12	656	55%	2.37



Table 71: Top 5 school in **Southwest** Region based on High **Literacy** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Foreman High (Foreman)	7-12	168	46%	2.25
2	Taylor High (Emerson-Taylor-Bradley)	7-12	98	52%	2.17
3	Horatio High (Horatio)	7-12	237	40%	2.14
4	Fouke High (Fouke)	9-12	166	42%	2.09
5	Smackover High (Smackover-Norphlet)	7-12	256	41%	2.06



Table 72: Top 5 schools in **Southeast** Region based on High **Literacy** PARCC performance

	School (District)	Grades Served	# of Test Takers	% Met/ Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Des Arc High (Des Arc)	7-12	169	39%	2.00
2	KIPP Blytheville Collegiate High School (KIPP Delta Public Schools)	9-12	54	37%	1.98
3	Hazen High School (Hazen)	9-12	99	33%	1.94
4	Dewitt High School (Dewitt)	9-12	189	36%	1.86
5	Monticello High School (Monticello)	9-12	322	34%	1.78

V. 2015 OEP Awards: Beating the Odds – High Achieving Schools, based on the PARCC Examinations, serving Low-Income Communities.

This section highlights high-achieving schools across Arkansas based on PARCC examinations in Math and from the 2014-15 academic year. For these awards, we consider schools that serve free and reduced lunch to at least 66% of the student body.

This section is divided into subsections based the two exams. Schools are ranked using the GPA performance measure (explained in the Introduction) in each subject. Because the exams are not "grade-specific," schools in each of the subsections are categorized differently to account for school performance based on grade levels served; this is explained further in the introduction text in each subsection. Furthermore, each subsection includes the top schools, the top "high-poverty" schools, and the top five schools by region. In the subsections, the tables present the high-achieving schools for the noted category and subject using the GPA performance measure. These tables include the region in which the school is located, the number of test takers, the percentage of students that met or exceeded expectations, and the GPA of the school in that particular subject.

M. Elementary School Achievement, 2015

Overall PARCC Results

Table 73: Top 10 "High-Poverty" Elementary Schools based on Overall PARCC Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	%FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Norfork Elementary						
1	(Norfork)	NW	K-6	83%	246	51%	2.40
2	Cowsert Elementary						
	(Clinton)	NW	K-3	71%	175	59%	2.38
3	Forest Heights Stem						
	Academy (Little Rock)	CN	K-8	66%	978	48%	2.26
4	Dover Elementary (Dover)	NW	K-5	69%	571	44%	2.17
5	Omaha Elementary						
5	(Omaha)	NW	K-6	81%	230	46%	2.15
6	Tuckerman Elementary						
U	(Jackson Co.)	NE	K-4	68%	274	41%	2.10
6	Centerpoint Primary						
U	(Centerpoint)	SW	P-3	77%	120	43%	2.10
8	Wickes Elementary						
0	(Cossatot River)	SW	P-6	81%	360	42%	2.09
8	Vilonia Elementary						
0	(Vilonia)	CN	K-4	69%	512	42%	2.09
8	Woodland Heights						
0	Elementary (Harrison)	NW	K-4	69%	80	41%	2.09

Math PARCC Results

Table 74: Top 10 "High-Poverty" Elementary Schools based on PARCC Math Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	%FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Cowsert Elementary						
	(Clinton)	NW	K-3	71%	88	63%	2.52
2	Norfork Elementary						
	(Norfork)	NW	K-6	83%	123	42%	2.28
3	Centerpoint Primary						
	(Centerpoint)	SW	P-3	77%	60	47%	2.23
3	Green Forest Elementary						
	(Green Forest)	NW	P-3	86%	95	44%	2.23
5	Paron Elementary (Bryant)	CN	K-5	71%	30	47%	2.17
6	Van Cove Elementary						
	(Cossatot River)	sw	P-6	78%	108	40%	2.16
7	Marshall Elementary						
	(Searcy County)	NW	K-3	77%	59	36%	2.15
8	Wickes Elementary						
	(Cossatot River)	sw	P-6	81%	180	39%	2.11
8	DeQueen Elementary						
	(DeQueen)	SW	3-5	78%	507	36%	2.11
10	Joann Walters Elementary						
= *	(Dierks)	SW	K-6	67%	152	38%	2.09
10	Ola Elementary (Two	~		2.,,		22,3	
	Rivers)	NW	K-4	87%	94	43%	2.09

Table 75-79: Top 5 Elementary Schools in Arkansas by Region, PARCC Math Achievement.



Table 75: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Elementary** Schools in **Northwest** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Cowsert Elementary (Clinton)	K-3	71%	88	63%	2.52
2	Norfork Elementary (Norfork)	K-6	83%	123	42%	2.28
2	Green Forest Elementary					
3	(Green Forest)	P-3	86%	95	44%	2.23
4	Marshall Elementary (Searcy County)	K-3	77%	59	36%	2.15
5	Ola Elementary (Two Rivers)	K-4	87%	94	43%	2.09



Table 76: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Elementary** Schools in **Northeast** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

		~ -		# of	%	
		Grades		Test	Met/Exceed	
	School (District)	Served	% FRL	Takers	Expectations	GPA
1	Mammoth Spring Elementary					
1	(Mammoth Spring)	K-6	69%	149	43%	2.05
2	West Elementary (Batesville)	K-6	71%	275	35%	2.02
2	Riverside West Elementary					
3	(Riverside)	K-6	69%	134	36%	1.99
3	Tuckerman Elementary (Jackson Co.)	K-4	68%	137	32%	1.99
5	Cave City Elementary (Cave City)	K-4	78%	174	35%	1.97



Table 77: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Elementary** Schools in **Central** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

				# of	%	
		Grades		Test	Met/Exceed	
	School (District)	Served	% FRL	Takers	Expectations	GPA
1	Paron Elementary (Bryant)	K-5	71%	30	47%	2.17
2	Forest Heights Stem Academy (Little					
	Rock)	K-8	66%	489	40%	2.08
3	Cutter-Morning Star Elementary					
3	(Cutter-Morning Star)	K-6	79%	195	33%	2.06
3	Terry Elementary (Little Rock)	P-5	85%	149	38%	2.06
5	Vilonia Elementary (Vilonia)	K-4	69%	256	40%	2.00



Table 78: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Elementary** Schools in **Southwest** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Centerpoint Primary (Centerpoint)	P-3	77%	60	47%	2.23
2	Van Cove Elementary (Cossatot					
4	River)	P-6	78%	108	40%	2.16
3	Wickes Elementary (Cossatot River)	P-6	81%	180	39%	2.11
3	DeQueen Elementary (DeQueen)	3-5	78%	507	36%	2.11
5	Joann Walters Elementary (Dierks)	K-6	67%	152	38%	2.09



Table 79: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Elementary** Schools in **Southeast** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Des Arc Elementary (Des Arc)	P-6	72%	166	41%	2.06
2	Kingsland Elementary (Cleveland					
	County)	K-5	83%	53	28%	1.83
3	C.B. Partee Elementary (Brinkley)	K-6	81%	137	27%	1.80
4	Crossett Elementary (Crossett)	P-4	71%	242	30%	1.79
5	Dewitt Elementary (Dewitt)	K-5	69%	227	24%	1.77

Literacy PARCC Results

Table 80: Top 10 "High-Poverty" Elementary Schools based on PARCC Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Norfork Elementary						
_	(Norfork)	NW	K-6	83%	123	60%	2.52
2	Forest Heights Stem Academy (Little Rock)	CN	K-8	66%	489	57%	2.45
3	Dover Elementary (Dover)	NW	K-5	69%	286	50%	2.29
4	Omaha Elementary (Omaha)	NW	K-6	81%	115	50%	2.24
4	Cowsert Elementary (Clinton)	NW	K-3	71%	87	55%	2.24
6	Woodland Heights Elementary (Harrison)	NW	K-4	69%	40	45%	2.23
7	Tuckerman Elementary (Jackson Co.)	NE	K-4	68%	137	49%	2.22
8	Geyer Springs Elementary (Little Rock)	CN	1-5	89%	126	42%	2.21
9	Eastside Elementary (Rogers)	NW	K-5	74%	293	44%	2.20
10	Vilonia Elementary (Vilonia)	CN	K-4	69%	256	45%	2.19

Table 81-85: Top 5 Elementary Schools in Arkansas by Region, PARCC Literacy Achievement.



Table 81: Top 5 "High-Poverty" Elementary Schools in Northwest Arkansas Based on PARCC Literacy

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Norfork Elementary (Norfork)	K-6	83%	123	60%	2.52
2	Dover Elementary (Dover)	K-5	69%	286	50%	2.29
3	Omaha Elementary (Omaha)	K-6	81%	115	50%	2.24
3	Cowsert Elementary (Clinton)	K-3	71%	87	55%	2.24
5	Woodland Heights Elementary	17. 4	600 /	40	450/	2.22
	(Harrison)	K-4	69%	40	45%	2.23



Table 82: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Elementary** Schools in **Northeast** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Literacy**

		Grades		# of Test	% Met/Exceed	
	School (District)	Served	% FRL	Takers	Expectations	GPA
1	Tuckerman Elementary (Jackson Co.)	K-4	68%	137	49%	2.22
2	Riverside West Elementary (Riverside)	K-6	69%	134	46%	2.16
3	Bay Elementary (Bay)	K-6	71%	170	42%	2.15
1	Mountain View Elementary (Mountain					
4	View)	P-4	73%	196	41%	2.09
5	Mammoth Spring Elementary					
3	(Mammoth Spring)	K-6	69%	149	38%	2.05



Table 83: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Elementary** Schools in **Central** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Literacy**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Forest Heights Stem Academy (Little					
1	Rock)	K-8	66%	489	57%	2.45
2	Geyer Springs Elementary (Little					
4	Rock)	1-5	89%	126	42%	2.21
3	Vilonia Elementary (Vilonia)	K-4	69%	256	45%	2.19
4	Otter Creek Elementary (Little Rock)	P-5	81%	254	39%	2.05
4	College Station Elementary (Pulaski					
4	County Special)	P-5	76%	118	39%	2.05



Table 84: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Elementary** Schools in **Southwest** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Literacy**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Centerpoint Intermediate					
1	(Centerpoint)	4-5	69%	149	39%	2.09
2	Wickes Elementary (Cossatot River)	P-6	81%	180	44%	2.08
3	Fairview Elementary (Texarkana)	K-4	83%	94	39%	2.02
4	Van Cove Elementary (Cossatot					
4	River)	P-6	78%	108	33%	1.98
5	Centerpoint Primary (Centerpoint)	P-3	77%	60	38%	1.97



Table 85: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Elementary** Schools in **Southeast** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Literacy**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Kingsland Elementary (Cleveland					
-	County)	K-5	83%	53	38%	2.06
2	Des Arc Elementary (Des Arc)	P-6	72%	167	45%	2.02
3	Hazen Elementary (Hazen)	P-8	76%	268	38%	1.90
4	Portland Elementary (Hamburg)	P-5	66%	56	32%	1.86
5	Barton Elementary (Barton-Lexa)	K-6	82%	219	31%	1.84

N. Middle School Achievement, 2015

Overall PARCC Results

Table 86: Top 10 "High-Poverty" Middle Schools based on Overall PARCC Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	%FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Clinton Intermediate						
1	(Clinton)	NW	4-6	77%	655	40%	2.09
2	Lingle Middle (Rogers)	NW	6-8	68%	1,705	39%	2.07
3	Nemo Vista Middle (Nemo						
3	Vista)	NW	6-8	66%	202	40%	2.04
4	Nettleton Middle (Nettleton)	NE	6-6	66%	460	36%	2.02
5	Oakdale Middle (Rogers)	NW	6-8	73%	1,529	35%	1.95
5	Helen Tyson Middle (Springdale)	NW	6-7	74%	1,491	33%	1.95
5	Leslie Elementary (Searcy County)	NW	4-6	73%	308	35%	1.95
8	McRae Middle (Prescott)	SW	5-6	81%	304	36%	1.94
9	Lincoln Middle (Lincoln)	NW	5-7	74%	693	35%	1.92
10	DeQueen Middle (DeQueen)	SW	6-7	78%	731	29%	1.87

Math PARCC Results

Table 87: Top 10 "High-Poverty" Middle Schools based on PARCC Math Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	%FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Clinton Intermediate						
1	(Clinton)	NW	4-6	77%	328	34%	1.96
2	Atkins Middle (Atkins)	NW	5-8	66%	292	36%	1.92
3	McRae Middle (Prescott)	SW	5-6	81%	152	35%	1.89
3	Helen Tyson Middle						
3	(Springdale)	NW	6-7	74%	749	29%	1.89
5	Nettleton Middle						
3	(Nettleton)	NE	6	66%	230	29%	1.86
5	DeQueen Middle						
3	(DeQueen)	SW	6-7	78%	366	27%	1.86
7	Dardanelle Middle						
,	(Dardanelle)	NW	6-8	74%	456	28%	1.85
8	Lingle Middle (Rogers)	NW	6-8	68%	853	28%	1.82
9	Kraus Middle (Clarksville)	NW	5-6	71%	423	26%	1.79
9	Leslie Elementary (Searcy						
	County)	NW	4-6	73%	154	29%	1.79

Table 88-92: Top 5 Middle Schools in Arkansas by Region, PARCC Math Achievement.



Table 88: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Middle** Schools in **Northwest** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Clinton Intermediate (Clinton)	4-6	77%	328	34%	1.96
2	Atkins Middle (Atkins)	5-8	66%	292	36%	1.92
3	Helen Tyson Middle (Springdale)	6-7	74%	749	29%	1.89
4	Dardanelle Middle (Dardanelle)	6-8	74%	456	28%	1.85
5	Lingle Middle (Rogers)	6-8	68%	853	28%	1.82



Table 89: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Middle** Schools in **Northeast** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

		Grades		# of Test	% Met/Exceed	
	School (District)	Served	% FRL	Takers	Expectations	GPA
1	Nettleton Middle (Nettleton)	6	66%	230	29%	1.86
2	Marked Tree Middle (Marked Tree)	6-8	81%	107	29%	1.69
3	Trumann Intermediate (Trumann)	5-6	82%	212	24%	1.61
4	Cave City Middle (Cave City)	5-8	74%	387	16%	1.51
5	Bald Knob Middle (Bald Knob)	6-8	67%	295	14%	1.50



Table 90: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Middle** Schools in **Central** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

		Grades		# of Test	% Met/Exceed	
	School (District)	Served	% FRL	Takers	Expectations	GPA
1	Hot Springs Intermediate (Hot Springs)	5-6	86%	506	22%	1.62
2	Jessieville Middle (Jessieville)	6-8	71%	196	20%	1.61
3	Mann Magnet Middle (Little Rock)	6-8	73%	750	20%	1.59
4	Wilson Intermediate (Malvern)	5-6	77%	293	21%	1.57
_	Jacksonville Lighthouse Middle					
5	(Jacksonville Lighthouse Charter)	5-8	75%	208	12%	1.45



Table 91: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Middle** Schools in **Southwest** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

		Grades		# of Test	% Met/Exceed	
	School (District)	Served	% FRL	Takers	Expectations	GPA
1	McRae Middle (Prescott)	5-6	81%	152	35%	1.89
2	DeQueen Middle (DeQueen)	6-7	78%	366	27%	1.86
3	Mena Middle (Mena)	6-8	66%	366	22%	1.73
4	Nashville Elementary (Nashville)	4-6	73%	439	20%	1.68
5	Central Elementary (Magnolia)	4-6	68%	608	24%	1.64



Table 92: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Middle** Schools in **Southeast** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	KIPP:Delta College Prep (KIPP					
1	Delta Public Schools)	5-8	92%	289	20%	1.69
2	Meekins Middle (Stuttgart)	5-6	66%	243	19%	1.58
2	KIPP: Blytheville College Prep					
3	(KIPP Delta Public Schools)	5-8	88%	295	18%	1.48
4	Drew Central Middle (Drew Central)	5-8	75%	295	13%	1.38
5	Lakeside Middle (Lakeside (Chicot))	6-8	85%	201	9%	1.28

^{*} Note, there are only seven schools that fall in this category

Literacy PARCC Results

Table 93: Top 10 "High-Poverty" Middle Schools based on PARCC Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Nemo Vista Middle (Nemo						
	Vista)	NW	6-8	66%	101	57%	2.39
2	Lingle Middle (Rogers)	NW	6-8	68%	852	50%	2.32
3	Clinton Intermediate						
3	(Clinton)	NW	4-6	77%	327	47%	2.22
3	Oakdale Middle (Rogers)	NW	6-8	73%	762	47%	2.22
5	Nettleton Middle (Nettleton)	NE	6-6	66%	230	44%	2.17
6	Leslie Elementary (Searcy						
O	County)	NW	4-6	73%	154	42%	2.11
7	Mann Magnet Middle (Little						
/	Rock)	CN	6-8	73%	760	42%	2.09
8	Lincoln Middle (Lincoln)	NW	5-7	74%	350	43%	2.08
9	Helen Tyson Middle						
9	(Springdale)	NW	6-7	74%	742	37%	2.01
10	Marked Tree Middle						
10	(Marked Tree)	NE	6-8	81%	107	38%	2.00

Table 94-98: Top 5 Middle Schools in Arkansas by Region, PARCC Literacy Achievement.



Table 94: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Middle** Schools in **Northwest** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Literacy**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Nemo Vista Middle (Nemo Vista)	6-8	66%	101	57%	2.39
2	Lingle Middle (Rogers)	6-8	68%	852	50%	2.32
3	Clinton Intermediate (Clinton)	4-6	77%	327	47%	2.22
3	Oakdale Middle (Rogers)	6-8	73%	762	47%	2.22
5	Leslie Elementary (Searcy County)	4-6	73%	154	42%	2.11



Table 95: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Middle** Schools in **Northeast** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Literacy**

				# of	%	
		Grades		Test	Met/Exceed	
	School (District)	Served	% FRL	Takers	Expectations	GPA
1	Nettleton Middle (Nettleton)	6	66%	230	44%	2.17
2	Marked Tree Middle (Marked Tree)	6-8	81%	107	38%	2.00
3	Oak Grove Middle (Paragould)	5-6	70%	482	25%	1.71
4	Cave City Middle (Cave City)	5-8	74%	386	26%	1.68
5	Trumann Intermediate (Trumann)	5-6	82%	213	25%	1.61



Table 96: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Middle** Schools in **Central** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Literacy**

				# of	%	
		Grades		Test	Met/Exceed	
	School (District)	Served	% FRL	Takers	Expectations	GPA
1	Mann Magnet Middle (Little Rock)	6-8	73%	760	42%	2.09
2	Jacksonville Lighthouse Middle					
2	(Jacksonville Lighthouse Charter)	5-8	75%	211	35%	1.90
3	Southeast Middle (Pine Bluff)	6-7	85%	356	28%	1.75
4	Northwood Middle (Pulaski County					
4	Special)	6-8	68%	331	29%	1.74
5	Hot Springs Intermediate (Hot Springs)	5-6	86%	503	30%	1.73



Table 97: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Middle** Schools in **Southwest** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Literacy**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	McRae Middle (Prescott)	5-6	81%	152	38%	1.99
2	Cabe Middle (Gurdon)	5-8	80%	203	36%	1.93
3	Mena Middle (Mena)	6-8	66%	365	32%	1.92
4	DeQueen Middle (DeQueen)	6-7	78%	365	31%	1.89
5	Camden Fairview Middle (Camden					
3	Fairview)	6-8	74%	514	32%	1.84



Table 98: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **Middle** Schools in **Southeast** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Literacy**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1						
1	Lakeside Middle (Lakeside (Chicot))	6-8	85%	201	27%	1.75
2	Drew Central Middle (Drew Central)	5-8	75%	295	26%	1.60
3	KIPP: Blytheville College Prep					
3	(KIPP Delta Public Schools)	5-8	88%	295	24%	1.57
4	Meekins Middle (Stuttgart)	5-6	66%	242	19%	1.56
5	KIPP:Delta College Prep (KIPP					
3	Delta Public Schools)	5-8	92%	292	17%	1.48

O. Junior High School Achievement, 2015

Overall PARCC Results

Table 99: Top 10 "High-Poverty" **Junior High** schools base on **Overall** PARCC Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	%FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Clinton Junior High						
1	(Clinton)	NW	7-9	68%	595	36%	1.98
2	Southwest Junior High						
	(Springdale)	NW	8-9	67%	1,279	31%	1.78
3	Nashville Junior High						
3	(Nashville)	SW	7-9	72%	816	28%	1.76
4	DeQueen Junior High						
	(DeQueen)	SW	8-9	73%	680	27%	1.75
5	Douglas MacArthur Junior						
	High (Jonesboro)	NE	7-9	69%	1,201	29%	1.72
6	George Junior High						
_	(Springdale)	NW	8-9	78%	1,316	27%	1.61
7	Morrilton Junior High						
•	(South Conway County)	NW	7-8	69%	734	21%	1.59
8	Dora Kimmons Junior High						
	(Fort Smith)	NW	7-9	92%	1,625	20%	1.55
9	Lakeside Junior High		0.0	= -0.	4.400	222	
	(Springdale)	NW	8-9	76%	1,438	22%	1.54
10	Clarksville Junior High		- 0	5004		4=0.	4
	(Clarksville)	NW	7-9	68%	1,125	17%	1.52
10	Hot Springs Middle (Hot	CNI	7 0	5 00/	1.001	210/	1.50
	Springs)	CN	7-8	79%	1,031	21%	1.52
10	Riverview Junior High	NE	7 0	53 04	10.6	100/	1.50
	School (Riverview)	NE	7-8	73%	406	18%	1.52

Math PARCC Results

Table 100: Top 10 "High-Poverty" Junior High Schools based on PARCC Math Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	DeQueen Junior High						
1	(DeQueen)	SW	8-9	73%	341	31%	1.86
2	Southwest Junior High						
	(Springdale)	NW	8-9	67%	634	32%	1.83
3	Clinton Jr High (Clinton)	NW	7-9	68%	298	27%	1.81
4	Douglas MacArthur Junior						
4	High (Jonesboro)	NE	7-9	69%	589	26%	1.72
5	Clarksville Junior High						
3	(Clarksville)	NW	7-9	68%	532	20%	1.65
5	George Junior High						
	(Springdale)	NW	8-9	78%	666	26%	1.65
7	Nashville Junior High						
,	(Nashville)	SW	7-9	72%	409	21%	1.63
8	Morrilton Junior High						
0	(South Conway County)	NW	7-8	69%	367	19%	1.56
9	Lakeside Junior High						
9	(Springdale)	NW	8-9	76%	715	21%	1.55
10	Dora Kimmons Junior High						
10	(Fort Smith)	NW	7-9	92%	813	15%	1.48

^{*} Note: Due to the small number of schools in the Junior High category, math achievement will not be examined on the regional level.

Literacy PARCC Results

Table 101: Top 10 "High-Poverty" Junior High Schools based on PARCC Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Clinton Junior High						
_	(Clinton)	NW	7-9	68%	297	45%	2.16
2	Nashville Junior High						
	(Nashville)	SW	7-9	72%	407	35%	1.89
3	Southwest Junior High						
3	(Springdale)	NW	8-9	67%	645	30%	1.72
4	Douglas MacArthur Junior						
_	High (Jonesboro)	NE	7-9	69%	612	31%	1.71
5	Hot Springs Middle (Hot						
3	Springs)	CN	7-8	79%	515	30%	1.69
6	Pleasant View Junior High						
U	(Mulberry)	NW	7-9	81%	69	25%	1.65
6	DeQueen Junior High						
U	(DeQueen)	SW	8-9	73%	339	23%	1.65
8	Dora Kimmons Junior High						
o	(Fort Smith)	NW	7-9	92%	812	25%	1.62
8	Morrilton Junior High						
0	(South Conway County)	NW	7-8	69%	367	23%	1.62
10	Dumas Junior High (Dumas)	SE	7-9	73%	315	25%	1.61

^{*} Note: Due to the small number of schools in the Junior High category, Literacy achievement will not be examined on the regional level.

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Overall PARCC Results

Table 102: Top 10 "High-Poverty" High Schools based on Overall PARCC Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	%FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Norfork High (Norfork)	NW	7-12	81%	280	53%	2.33
2	Marshall High (Searcy County)	NW	7-12	68%	509	46%	2.25
3	Cave City High (Cave City)	NE	9-12	69%	363	45%	2.19
3	Marked Tree High (Marked Tree)	NE	9-12	69%	165	42%	2.19
5	Timbo High (Mountain View)	NE	7-12	81%	124	41%	2.12
6	Cotter High (Cotter)	NW	7-12	66%	366	40%	2.03
7	Horatio High (Horatio)	SW	7-12	66%	468	34%	2.02
8	St. Joe High (Ozark Mountain)	NW	7-12	67%	116	29%	1.99
9	Omaha High (Omaha)	NW	7-12	70%	225	33%	1.98
10	Des Arc High (Des Arc)	SE	7-12	69%	344	35%	1.95

Math PARCC Results

Table 103: Top 10 "High-Poverty" High Schools based on PARCC Math Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Marshall High (Searcy County)	NW	7-12	68%	224	41%	2.12
2	Norfork High (Norfork)	NW	7-12	81%	132	39%	2.09
3	Marked Tree High (Marked Tree)	NE	9-12	69%	81	38%	2.06
4	Cave City High (Cave City)	NE	9-12	69%	174	36%	2.01
5	Omaha High (Omaha)	NW	7-12	70%	106	30%	1.97
6	Cotter High (Cotter)	NW	7-12	66%	178	30%	1.91
6	Des Arc High (Des Arc)	SE	7-12	69%	175	32%	1.91
8	Horatio High (Horatio)	SW	7-12	66%	231	29%	1.90
8	St. Joe High (Ozark Mountain)	NW	7-12	67%	60	23%	1.90
9	Green Forest High (Green Forest)	NW	9-12	77%	168	35%	1.87
9	Timbo High (Mountain View)	NE	7-12	81%	61	31%	1.87

Table 104-108: Top 5 High Schools in Arkansas by Region, PARCC Math Achievement.



Table 104: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **High Schools** in **Northwest** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

,				# of	%	_
		Grades		Test	Met/Exceed	
	School (District)	Served	% FRL	Takers	Expectations	GPA
1	Marshall High (Searcy County)	7-12	68%	224	41%	2.12
2	Norfork High (Norfork)	7-12	81%	132	39%	2.09
3	Omaha High (Omaha)	7-12	70%	106	30%	1.97
4	Cotter High (Cotter)	7-12	66%	178	30%	1.91
5	St. Joe High (Ozark Mountain)	7-12	67%	60	23%	1.90



Table 105: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **High Schools** in **Northeast** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

				# of	%	
		Grades		Test	Met/Exceed	
	School (District)	Served	% FRL	Takers	Expectations	GPA
1	Marked Tree High (Marked Tree)	9-12	69%	81	38%	2.06
2	Cave City High (Cave City)	9-12	69%	174	36%	2.01
3	Timbo High (Mountain View)	7-12	81%	61	31%	1.87
1	Mammoth Spring High (Mammoth					
4	Spring)	7-12	66%	110	18%	1.65
5	Izard Co. Cons. High (Izard County					
3	Consolidated)	9-12	76%	59	22%	1.64



Table 106: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **High Schools** in **Central** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Cutter-Morning Star High (Cutter-					
1	Morning Star)	7-12	71%	164	18%	1.53
2	Hot Springs High (Hot Springs)	9-12	76%	359	11%	1.36
3	Jessieville High (Jessieville)	9-12	66%	75	11%	1.25
4	J.A. Fair High (Little Rock)	9-12	83%	363	7%	1.16
5	Pine Bluff High (Pine Bluff)	10-12	79%	200	2%	1.12



Table 107: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **High Schools** in **Southwest** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Horatio High (Horatio)	7-12	66%	231	29%	1.90
2	Mount Ida High (Mount Ida)	7-12	66%	152	26%	1.83
3	Caddo Hills High (Caddo Hills)	7-12	71%	139	24%	1.75
4	Bradley High (Emerson-Taylor-					
4	Bradley)	7-12	74%	113	22%	1.69
5	Oden High (Ouachita River)	7-12	71%	72	21%	1.58



Table 108: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **High Schools** in **Southeast** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Math**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Des Arc High (Des Arc)	7-12	69%	175	32%	1.91
2	Warren High (Warren)	9-12	69%	228	19%	1.63
3	KIPP Blytheville Collegiate High					
3	(KIPP Delta Public Schools)	9-12	86%	34	9%	1.47
4	Lakeside High (Lakeside (Chicot))	9-12	78%	121	13%	1.45
5	Brinkley High (Brinkley)	7-12	75%	146	16%	1.43
5	McGehee High (McGehee)	7-12	67%	295	12%	1.43

Literacy PARCC Results

Table 109: Top 10 "High-Poverty" High Schools based on PARCC Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Region	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Norfork High (Norfork)	NW	7-12	81%	148	65%	2.56
2	Cave City High (Cave City)	NE	9-12	69%	189	54%	2.38
2	Marshall High (Searcy County)	NW	7-12	68%	285	50%	2.38
4	Timbo High (Mountain View)	NE	7-12	81%	63	51%	2.37
5	Marked Tree High (Marked Tree)	NE	9-12	69%	84	46%	2.32
6	Midland High (Midland)	NE	7-12	66%	126	43%	2.25
7	Bruno-Pyatt High (Ozark Mountain)	NW	7-12	71%	53	43%	2.15
7	Cotter High (Cotter)	NW	7-12	66%	188	48%	2.15
9	Horatio High (Horatio)	SW	7-12	66%	237	40%	2.14
10	St. Joe High (Ozark Mountain)	NW	7-12	67%	56	36%	2.07

Table 110-114: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **High Schools** in Arkansas by Region, **PARCC Literacy** Achievement.



Table 110: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **High Schools** in **Northwest** Arkansas Based on **PARCC Literacy**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Norfork High (Norfork)	7-12	81%	148	65%	2.56
2	Marshall High (Searcy County)	7-12	68%	285	50%	2.38
3	Bruno-Pyatt High (Ozark Mountain)	7-12	71%	53	43%	2.15
3	Cotter High (Cotter)	7-12	66%	188	48%	2.15
5	St. Joe High (Ozark Mountain)	7-12	67%	56	36%	2.07



Table 111: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **High Schools** in **Northeast** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Literacy**

				# of	%	
		Grades		Test	Met/Exceed	
	School (District)	Served	% FRL	Takers	Expectations	GPA
1	Cave City High (Cave City)	9-12	69%	189	54%	2.38
2	Timbo High (Mountain View)	7-12	81%	63	51%	2.37
3	Marked Tree High (Marked Tree)	9-12	69%	84	46%	2.32
4	Midland High (Midland)	7-12	66%	126	43%	2.25
5	East Poinsett Co. High (East Poinsett					
3	Co. School Dist.)	7-12	74%	212	39%	2.00



Table 112: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **High Schools** in **Central** Arkansas Based on PARCC **Literacy**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Cutter-Morning Star High (Cutter- Morning Star)	7-12	71%	177	33%	1.72
2	Pine Bluff High (Pine Bluff)	10-12	79%	264	30%	1.65
3	Hot Springs High (Hot Springs)	9-12	76%	435	27%	1.49
4	J.A. Fair High (Little Rock)	9-12	83%	396	18%	1.43
5	Jessieville High (Jessieville)	9-12	66%	138	22%	1.41



Table 113: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **High Schools** in **Southwest** Arkansas Based on **PARCC Literacy**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Horatio High (Horatio)	7-12	66%	237	40%	2.14
2	Bradley High (Emerson-Taylor- Bradley)	7-12	74%	99	39%	1.96
3	Mount Ida High (Mount Ida)	7-12	66%	159	34%	1.92
4	Gurdon High (Gurdon)	9-12	67%	115	30%	1.82
5	Caddo Hills High (Caddo Hills)	7-12	71%	145	29%	1.81
5	Blevins High (Blevins)	7-12	78%	139	27%	1.81



Table 114: Top 5 "High-Poverty" **High Schools** in **Southeast** Arkansas Based on **PARCC Literacy**

	School (District)	Grades Served	% FRL	# of Test Takers	% Met/Exceed Expectations	GPA
1	Des Arc High (Des Arc)	7-12	69%	169	39%	2.00
2	KIPP Blytheville Collegiate High					
2	(KIPP Delta Public Schools)	9-12	86%	54	37%	1.98
3	Lakeside High (Lakeside (Chicot))	9-12	78%	144	26%	1.58
4	McGehee High (McGehee)	7-12	67%	329	22%	1.45
5	Warren High School (Warren)	9-12	69%	234	21%	1.44

Appendix

A. Methods

The Office for Education Policy strives to make all of our calculations and publications transparent to our readers. Thus, in this appendix we describe our data source, calculations performed on these data for the purposes of our reporting, and our method for determining a school's classification as an elementary, middle, or high school.

All data used in this report were obtained from the Arkansas Department of Education via the link http://www.arkansased.gov/divisions/learning-services/student-assessment/test-scores/year?y=2015. Other data, such as the percent of students eligible for free and reduced lunch, were obtained from the Arkansas Department of Education Data Center (http://adedata.arkansas.gov).

All data were analyzed at the grade / course level.

As previously discussed in the introduction, in order to calculate the GPA measure we treat the PARCC test scores similar to the existing grade point system.

Category	GPA Points Awarded
Exceeded Expectations	4.0
Met Expectations	3.0
Approached Expectations	2.0
Partially Met Expectations	1.0
Did Not Meet Expectations	0.0

We calculated the GPA measure for every Math and Literacy score. The GPA measure is comprehensive in that it takes into account all of the test score levels (Exceeded, Met, Approached, Partially Met, Did not Meet Expectations), instead of lumping together Met or Exceeded Expectations.

B. School Classification

For the OEP Awards, we classified schools based on the following rules:

- Elementary School: primarily grades 3-5 (minimum grade P, K, 1, 2, 3, or 4)
- Middle School: primarily grades 6-8 (minimum grade of 4, 5, or 6 and maximum grade of 7, 8, or 9)

There were also a few "comprehensive schools," such as K-8 or K-12 schools, that we included as either middle schools or elementary schools based on their enrollment numbers. The following table lists every grade configuration and their classifications.

Table A: School Classifications

Elementary	Middle Schools
Schools	
1-4	4-6
1-5	4-8
1-6	5-6
1-8	5-7
2-3	5-8
2-4	5-9
2-5	5-12
2-6	6
3-4	6-12
3-5	6-7
3-6	6-8
4-5	
5	
K-3	
K-4	
K-5	
K-6	
K-7	
K-8	
P-2	
P-3	
P-4	
P-5	
P-6	
P-7	
P-8	
K-12	

C. School Classification – High School Awards

For the OEP High School Awards, we primarily classified schools based on the following rules:

- Junior High: primarily grades 7 9 (maximum grade of 9)
- High School: primarily grades 9 12

For the Algebra EOC, schools are classified differently, as the test is taken at different levels. These classifications are explained in the Algebra EOC section.

Table B: School Classifications

Junior High	High School
7-8	7-12
7-9	8-12
8-9	9-12
8	10-12
9	11-12
	9-10