

West Rusk Junior High 2017

Overall Campus Rating

Recognized

Fine Arts	Recognized	2	Wellness and Physical Education	Exemplary
Community and Parental Involvement	Recognized		21st Century Workforce Development	Recognized
2nd Language Acquisition	Recognized		Digital Learning Environment	Recognized
Dropout Prevention Strategies	Exemplary		Educational Programs for Gifted and Talented Students	Recognized
Compliance and Policy Reporting Requirements	Yes			

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West Rusk CCISD	Recognized	Junior High	Brian Keith	Principal
Fine Arts				
Criteria	Rating	Description of programs, services, etc.	Link to content illustrating the criteria (option) Description of ongoing work/goals (option)	
Participation in UIL sponsored activities/competitions (choir, art, etc.)	Exemplary	UIL Band Concert/Sightreading Contest, UIL Band Solo and Ensemble Contest, and UIL Band All Region Contest		
Field trips to museums, community theaters, opera, symphony, art, etc.	Exemplary	Annual grade level field trips to Seipert in Louisiana, and the Natural Science Museum in Houston. 7th grade also travels to Gaston and New London Museums.		
Student art exhibits on or off campus	Acceptable	Art classes post projects in foyer during Open House		
Music Memory/Picture Memory –UIL opportunities related to fine arts	Exemplary	UIL Music Memory for 6th grade students. The band teacher holds try-outs and works with the students who will compete in the Fall UIL Meet.		
Number of Fine Arts course offerings/clubs (i.e. set design, Ag fine arts, etc.)	Acceptable	1st year to offer Theater Arts to Jr. High curriculum (High School Credit)		

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Wellness and Physical Education				
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Open Gym outside of the traditional school day	Exemplary	Community Fitness Center open Monday-Wednesday from 6-8. Track open at all times.		
Availability of school nurses	Exemplary	School nurse located in close proximity to the HS/JH campus and is available at all times of the instructional day.		
Notice of required immunizations	Recognized	Required notices are mailed home and then phone calls are made if no contact from parent or no action from parent is made. Students are given deadlines to meet and if not met, then the student will not be allowed to attend school until all immunizations are current.		
Compliance with state and federal nutrition requirements	Exemplary	School Food Nutrition Department was audited this school year and met all state and federal nutrition requirements.		
Percent of students completing more than one credit of P.E.	Exemplary	All 6th and 7th grade students are enrolled in PE/Athletics, which results in 2 credits of PE. In addition, the 8th grade students are given the option for a third year of PE/Athletics, which would result in 3 credits of PE.		
Availability of school counselors	Recognized	We have a JH counselor available on campus Monday - Wednesday		

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Community and Parental Involvement				
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Extracurricular events that include and encourage community involvement	Exemplary	Volleyball, Football, Basketball, and Track events at West Rusk and surrounding districts are available several times of the week during the Fall and Spring Semesters. Band concerts in the Fall and Spring that also include a fellowship/fundraiser meal before the concert is also open to the public.		
End of year programs including parents - highlighting successes of students	Recognized	End of the Year Awards Program to highlight the successes of the students throughout the school year is open to the public. Successes include: honor roll, perfect attendance, Accelerated Reader and Accelerated Math awards, STAAR recognitions, top student awards for the 8th grade students who maintain a 90 overall JH average, Valedictorian, and Salutatorian awards.		
Freshman/New Family orientation opportunities available	Recognized	8th grade students/parents are invited to attend a Freshman orientation that is held in the Spring Semester to discuss graduation requirements and course offerings at the HS.		
Programs engaging parental/community involvement (meet the teacher, food drive)	Recognized	Open House is offered at the third week of the 1st six weeks to allow the teachers time to get to know the students and be able to discuss with the parents how the student is doing in the classroom after the 1st 3 weeks of school.		
College/Career counseling programs and/or College/Career Fairs	Recognized	The JH counselor every other year takes the 8th grade students to a career fair, and in between years conducts classes involving college and career choices		

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21st Century Workforce Development				
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College permant/dress days	Recognized	College Jersey day once a week. Teachers were encouraged to wear college shirts on Mondays.		
School-wide ACT test / Plan, Explore opportunities	Acceptable	All 8th grade students participate in the Explore assessment. Results are sent home and also to the counselor.		
Personal graduation plans	Recognized	All required Personal Graduation Plans are completed by the counselor.		
Tutoring opportunities	Exemplary	Tutorials are offered every morning before school, except on Thursday, from 7:30 - 7:55. Tutorials are also offered every Monday and Wednesday from 3:35 - 4:00. Tutorials are also offered during the day from 12:15-12:50		
High School courses offered to middle school students	Recognized	Algebra is a high school course that is offered to middle school students. We also added a fine arts high school credit with Theater Arts 1.		

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2nd Language Acquisition				
Criteria	Rating	Description of programs, services, etc.	Link to content illustrating the criteria (opt) Description of ongoing work/leads (opt)	
Home language surveys distributed and completed	Exemplary	Home language surveys distributed in the enrollment packet and completed prior to enrollment.		
Providing translations of letters/notices to parents and students	Recognized	Translations of letters/notices to parents and students are available upon request. All beginning of the year forms are distributed with English on the front and Spanish on the back.		
LPAC decisions implemented, documented	Recognized	Annual LPAC meetings are held to discuss the current year progress and to make decisions about the next school year. LPAC meeting notes are kept in the child's cumulative folder.		
Low levels of risk in PBMAS on measures related to ELLs	Recognized	PBMAS results show low levels of risk on measures related to ELLs.		

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Digital Learning Environment				
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Resources aimed at supporting technology (financial/personnel/infrastructure/etc.)	Recognized	Technology department consists of 2 people who are readily available to help administrators, teachers, and students with technology needs. Junior High campus has laptop carts on wheels for each grade level and a computer lab for instructing the 6th grade keyboarding classes and the 8th grade computer literacy classes.		
Staff completing prof. development using technology, online courses, etc.	Recognized	Region 7 offers a variety of online professional development courses during the year as well as in the summer.		
Student access to graphing calculators for state assessments	Exemplary	The Junior high campus meets the requirement of access to a graphing calculator during the Algebra End of Course examination and the 8th Grade Math STAAR assessment. Each Algebra and 8th grade math student uses a graphing calculator during the instructional time and during the assessments.		

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Dropout Prevention Strategies	Criteria	Rating	Description of programs, services etc.	Link to content illustrating the criteria	Description of ongoing work/goals
	Programs and initiatives geared to increasing communication with parents	Exemplary	Information is disseminated through the marquee in front of the school, on the school website, through a phone call service, and also printed on progress reports and report cards. The district also uses Skyward, which is a computer based program for parents to use to look at their child's grades, attendance, assignments, food balance accounts, and so much more.		
	Number of students targeted for truancy prevention due to high absentee rate	Exemplary	Attendance letters are sent home after each report card period. If a student has 3 or more absences, then the parent receives a letter. WRJH offers Saturday School to regain credit for excessive absences. Truancy court is utilized when students go over the number of days allowed by the state.		
	Attendance incentives	Exemplary	Each six weeks students can earn a reward trip to the movies, bowling, skating, and other fun places. One of the criteria for this reward is based on attendance.		
	Double block scheduling	Recognized	The junior high offers an extra class for Reading and Math in the place of an elective for students who are struggling in those areas. The purpose of this class is to close the educational gap that the student has and to get them on grade level with their peers. If students feel success, they are more likely to stay in school.		
Availability of school counselors	Recognized	JH school counselor on campus			

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Educational Programs for Gifted and Talented Students				
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Teacher training, professional development geared to GT students and programs	Exemplary	All junior high teachers are GT certified and receive their 6 hour update annually.		
Master scheduling - GT grouping / clustering	Recognized	6th, 7th, and 8th grade GT students are grouped together every day for 35 minutes. The students do individual and group work each six weeks concentrating on a subject area.		
Academic UIL participation by GT students	Recognized	More than 90% of the GT students participate and place in various UIL academic events.		

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Compliance and Policy Reporting Requirements				
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Home language surveys completed	Yes	Home language surveys contained in student registration packets. All completed, returned, and acted on as needed.		
Notice of required immunizations delivered timely to parents	Yes	The district registered nurse delivers notice to parents of required immunizations.		
Participation and results on Fitnessgram	Yes	All students grades, 6 - 8, participate in the Fitness gram. Results are downloaded into the state system and reports are reviewed.		
Compliance with annual SHAC requirements (report to the board)	Yes	The School Health Advisory Counsel (SHAC) meets at least four times per year and reports their activities to the board in May.		
TEA-prepared "school report cards" sent to parents	Yes	The TEA prepared "school report cards" are sent home to all parents with student report cards.		
Percent of staff meeting highly qualified	Yes	All (100%) faculty meet the NCLB requirements of being Highly Qualified.		
Compliance with state required safety plans	Yes	Each campus has posted Emergency Operation Plans in classrooms. In addition, each campus participated in a safety audit and updated the district Emergency Operations Plan.		