

Bradford School Report to Public:

We will have our Open House on August 11, 2016 and a brochure will be given to parents or patrons containing information concerning the progress toward reaching our goals, accreditation status, website information, federal programs and other regulations set by the state or federal government. Principals will be available to answer any questions and share information concerning the upcoming year. During the September fifth school board meeting starting at 7pm this report will be presented to the board and patrons detailing the above information with time allowed for questions.

The school has again entered into an agreement with the Arkansas Department of education [child Nutrition unit] under the Community Eligibility Provision to all of our students to eat free breakfast and lunch during the 2016-17 school year. Adults will continue paying regular prices regulated by the state nutrition department.

Arkansas State University at Newport has entered into an agreement with four local school districts to provide a new and unique way to prepare the local youth for the business world of the future. The four schools are Bradford, Cedar Ridge, Newport, and Tuckerman. Students who are juniors or seniors may participate in this new program. The students will attend high school for one half day for basic core courses and will then travel to Newport to the University for Advanced training in one of four areas [Mechanics, Nursing , Business Applications and Welding]. No cost for the classes by the student or parent. For more details concerning the program the student or parent should contact the high school counselor or principal. Slots for these classes will be limited.

The school is fully accredited by the State Department of Education and meets all the guidelines set by federal and state regulations. A new testing assessment was given to our students ACT Aspire, the results of these tests will be analyzed and the staff will search for ways to improve and strengthen our curriculum.

New employees of the district: Laura Prickett [second grade], Mandy Green [special education], Eric Stevens [physical education/health and RTI].

The school based health center is in full operation for medical, mental health, and optometry. Open to both students and patrons of the district. The Center is open year around.

The school has upgraded twenty-four Smart Boards and added twenty four Smart Kapp boards to enhance the learning environment . The new Smart boards will provide teachers with additional teaching resources and will be used to increase student interaction in the classroom. The new Smart Kapp board will allow students and teachers to capture, save and share lessons that are being written on the dry erase board through digital capture. This will allow teachers to share lessons seamlessly in real-time with students.