The Graves County Schools' Performing Arts Center has been a dream for many, even before Graves County High School opened in 1985. The school's original blueprints included such a facility, in fact, in its very location today. However, funding then was insufficient to fulfill all plans.

The construction of the Performing Arts Center over a 13 month period was indeed a dream come true! Since consolidation of six small high schools into one, Graves County High School has excelled in numerous endeavors, ranging from academics to extracurricular and co-curricular activities, including athletics, community involvement, faith and character building, and career interests.

Programs for the visual and performing arts have developed over time and flourished in recent years. They include the multi-state champion WGCE-TV video production crew, two-time state champion forensics team, quality bands – jazz, concert, and marching, choir, visual arts, and the only public school strings program and full orchestra in Kentucky's 24 westernmost school districts.

We, in the Graves County Schools, are proud of the strong work ethic, great effort, and tremendous success of these students, teachers, and programs. And, we are extremely gratified that they now have an appropriate home, commensurate with their talent.

We wish to acknowledge our most sincere gratitude to those who were instrumental in the construction of this facility!

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Thanks to all who helped turn this long-anticipated dream into a beautiful reality!

"There is nothing like a dream to create the future." - Victor Hugo