



September 2016

Dear Residents,

On behalf of my colleagues on the Jasper City Board of Education, I want to thank you for support of our students, administration and staff in the 2015-2016 school year. It is with the support of our parents and community members that Jasper City Schools continues to thrive. My goal in sharing this Annual Report with you is to give you a snapshot into our school district. While I hope you will enjoy what you see, nothing can take the place of seeing the tremendous hard work of our students and teachers firsthand. If you haven't been in one of our schools in a while, or ever, I invite you to visit soon!

I would be remiss if I did not thank you for the support in our new high school building project. It is a testament to the commitment the City of Jasper has for education. Everyone should be proud of the new school—proud for our teachers, our community but most importantly, proud for our students.

I know there is a lot more to a Jasper City School education than what is contained in these pages. In the midst of lots of changes, we must stay focused on the things that really matter—ensuring our learners are being challenged and supported as they hone their talents and skills and passionately pursue their dreams.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Superintendent. I am honored to work with such a fine, honest, hard-working board, staff and student body. It is a pleasure to come to work each day with the goal of making our school district the best it can possibly be.

Dr. Ann Jackson

ANNUAL REPORT 2015-2016

JASPER CITY SCHOOLS

FUTURE FOCUSED * TRADITION RICH

EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

Number of employees: 334
 Certified employees: 215
 Non-Certified: 119
 Degrees:

- Doctorate: 1%
- 6th Year: 10%
- Master: 53%
- Bachelor: 36%

Number of National Board Certified: 5

Non-Certified Aides

Maddox Middle Schools -4
 Memorial Park Elementary School--7
 North Highlands School—1
 T.R. Simmons Elementary School—11
 Walker High School—4
 West Jasper Elementary School—3
 Includes office aides, pre-school aides,
 and
 special education aides

2015 REVENUES

STATE: \$14,783,007/53.94%
 FEDERAL: \$2,367,847/ 8.64%
 LOCAL: \$10,152,446/37.05%
 OTHER: \$101,396/.37%
 TOTAL: \$27,404,696

LOCAL REVENUE DETAIL

	% of local	% of total
County Ad Valorem:	13.2%	4.9%
County Sales Tax:	38.8%	14.4%
City Ad Valorem:	3.7%	1.4%
City Sales Tax:	21.9%	8.1%
Other Local:	22.4%	8.25%
TOTAL =	100%	37.05%

CHILD NUTRITION

Free and Reduced %

Maddox	47%
Memorial Park	47%
T. R. Simmons	57%
Walker High	41%
West Jasper	95%

TOTAL NUMBER OF MEALS SERVED 2015-2016: 405,610

	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	TOTALS
Maddox	18,886	59,556	86,498
Memorial Park	24,260	59,203	83,463
T. R. Simmons	25,040	71,737	96,777
Walker High	7,429	59,755	67,184
West Jasper	28,330	43,353	71,688

HEALTH SCREENINGS

SCREENER	TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS
Kid Check was conducted at WJS and TRS it included blood pressure, height, weight, and dental checks	320
Scoliosis Screenings for grades 5-9	997
Vision Research Screenings for K, 2nd and 6th grades	593
Focus Vision Screenings for Pre-K	64
Vision and hearing screenings conducted by school nurses and staff	161

MONTHLY NURSE VISITS	
WHS-424	MMS 475
TRS-127	MPS-112
WJS-36	NHS-36



ENROLLMENT NUMBERS



MADDOX	WHITE	AFRICAN-AMERICAN	HISPANIC	ASIAN	AMERICAN INDIAN	2 OR MORE RACES
2015: 562	420	99	35	6	1	1
2016: 616	453	102	44	7	1	9
MEMORIAL PARK						
2015: 487	429	22	22	9	0	5
2016: 496	428	28	24	1	0	5
T.R. SIMMONS						
2015: 544	355	75	95	7	1	14
2016: 555	350	77	111	7	1	9
WALKER						
2015: 789	588	156	40	4	0	3
2016: 808	596	149	54	7	0	1
WEST JASPER						
2015: 220	75	105	18	0	0	22
2016: 256	100	114	27	0	0	15
NORTH HIGHLANDS						
2015: 4	4	0	0	0	0	0
2016: 4	4	0	0	0	0	0



T.R. Simmons School 2015-2016 Highlights:

- Our PTO dedicated our new \$23,000 digital marquee, made possible from our gift wrapping fundraiser and contributions from the Simmons and Hager family.
- Our faculty increased our participation in 2016 Simmons @ Sunset to its highest level yet raising over \$21,000 profit for our school.
- We were awarded the Be Healthy Grant in the amount of \$10,000.
- Energy efficient window shades replaced old blinds.
- The lunchroom was updated with new flooring, seats and sound panels and repainted with the Viking logo. Mrs. Cathy Jones painted over 20 canvas works.
- Mrs. Trotter was named HEAL (Healthy Eating, Active Living) Teacher of the Year, and the Alabama Elementary Physical Education Teacher of the Year.
- Ms. Chelsea Byrd, our system's elementary teacher of the year, served as an AMSTI trainer throughout the summer.
- Mrs. Stephanie Trice participated in the state Space Camp Program for Teachers
- Students raised \$5,292.25 for the American Heart Association through Jump Rope for Heart.
- Students raised over \$3,000 (with over \$10,000 raised in the last five years) for St. Jude's Hospital.
- Students collected 122 pounds of pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House of Birmingham.
- K-Kids, helped our local City of Jasper Animal Shelter by collecting much needed items.
- K- rang the bell at the Salvation Army kettles, visited local nursing homes and bought presents for in- need students.
- Peacemakers collected boxes of canned goods at Thanksgiving.
- Peacemakers recognized our local law enforcement at the end of the year assembly.
- Heritage Panel students participated in a YWCA one day training with a visit from Senator Reed. These students went on to make anti-bullying posters for our school and facilitate panels in classrooms and during breakfast club.
- Peacemakers distributed 110 Backyard Blessings bags each week.



Memorial Park School 2015 - 2016 Highlights:

K - Visited and sang Christmas carols to assisted living and nursing home residents.

1st - Sang Christmas Carols at Harbor Chase for all the residents.

2nd - Collected money and had a blanket made for Katie Adams to have during her chemo treatments.

3rd - Held a penny drop in October to raise money for breast cancer treatment patients.

4th - Held a drive for pet supplies for our local animal shelter.

5th - Organized a blanket drive in order to donate to the residents at Harbor Chase Assisted Living.

Cheernastics

These students cheered at Walker Viking basketball games as well as Dream Team baseball games.

National Honor Society

Members volunteer 4 hours per month to read to and create crafts with the students at North Highlands.

Technology Team

5th grade girls placed 3rd in Multimedia at the district competition in Fayette.

Student Council

Student Council members conducted a canned food drive to benefit students in our school district. Over 1,000 cans were collected for this event.

K-kids Service Group

September - Collected items for Operation Christmas Child.

October - Participated in Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF and collected \$440.84.

November - K-kids packed 60 boxes for Operation Christmas Child, Club officers went to the local distribution center to help with packing.

December - 41 K-Kid members volunteered to ring the bell for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign.

January - K-kids sold tickets to the Jasper Kiwanis Club Pancake Day event.

February - K-kids made cards of appreciation for faculty & staff of Memorial Park School.

March - K-kids members picked up trash around MPS & the Memorial Park area.

April - K-kids members weeded flower beds and spread mulch around MPS.



West Jasper Elementary School: 2015-2016 Highlights

- Awarded Action for Healthy Kids Grant for \$1,000, which helped fund the Walking School Bus, School Garden Open House, and other health-related activities.
- Awarded the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Be Healthy Schools Grant for \$4,800, which provided heart-rate monitors for P.E., an updated library health and wellness collection, and healthy food-related games for kindergarten.
- Leadership Walker County and Home Depot partnered to build a greenhouse for school garden.
- American Heart Association brought a mini-farmers' market to WJ to educate students about healthy choices.
- Teachers Leigh Evans (5th grade) and Mandy Chesser (kindergarten) served on the Camp McDowell Advisory Board.
- WJ held an inaugural book fair at Jasper Mall.
- Gentlemen from the "My Brother's Keeper" initiative mentored students at WJ throughout the year.
- WJ honored community leaders and student leaders at annual Community Sweetheart Luncheon & Leadership Day.
- Held Movie Night & Student-Led Conferences for the first time.
- Set a school record of 20 medals at District Technology Competition; also placed at State Competition.
- Fifth graders packed 7 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes.
- Fourth and fifth graders participated in a canned food drive for Maranatha Baptist Church.
- Mrs. Baker's fifth grade class collected \$111 for Pennies for a Purpose for Lou Gehrig's Disease in memory of Christie Cain.
- In October, Yadira, Baldemar, and Ana Sanchez participated in Birmingham's El Dia de los Muertos by making sugar skulls.

Maddox Middle School Highlights

Honor Roll

Out of 586 students, 131 students were on the end of year A/B Honor Roll and 84 students were on the A Honor Roll, 37% of the school met either A or A/B Honor Roll criteria.

Duke Tip Program

Twenty-five students recommended for the Duke TIP Program

Ten students received State Recognition

One student received Grand (National) Recognition

Girl Strong Service Projects for 2015-2016 school year. (9 projects)

August 17th- Provided school supplies for 3-5 needy students per grade level at MMS.

October 21st - Collected items for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child project, and packed 50 shoeboxes.

October 23rd- Served meal to support staff at MMS.

December 1st -Grounds work at EASI therapeutic riding center.

February 1st - Read to Pre K classes and special needs class at TR Simmons.

March- Animal Shelter or Secret pantry.

April- Volunteered for Dream Team baseball.

May 12th - Hosted a banquet to honor women in the community.

May- Threw a party for the self-contained class at MMS.

JUMP Service Projects 2015-2016 School Year:

August 17, 2015: Provided school supplies for 3-5 needy students per grade level

October 21, 2015: Collected items for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child and packed 50 shoe boxes

December 1, 2015: Grounds work for EASI Therapeutic Riding Center

May 16, 2015: Served as tour guides for 5th grade visitation to Maddox Middle School

June 15, 2015: MMS Classroom Paint Project

June 16, 2015: Volunteered to work with 21st Century Summer Program

National Junior Honor Society

Community Service

- Ridgewood Nursing Home - Volunteered time to help in office/fold hundreds of shirts for residents.
- Hope for Women Service Project Dinner provided and served to 40 women (Jasper, AL) - all food items and gift bags were donated by parents.
- Red Kettle Campaign - volunteer to ring bell and ask for donation to Salvation Army
- Thanksgiving Food Baskets - co-sponsored with SGA - Support canned food drive

Each member is required to volunteer 2 hours/month to remain an active member.

Fundraiser

Maddox Nike apparel (Less than \$100)

Maddox Middle School continued...

Band

Fundraising \$846 for Backyard Blessings

Fundraising \$300 for 2015-16 T.R. Simmons Back to School Needs

Builders Club

Trick or Treat for UNICEF

Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army

Salvation Army Angel Tree

Household Supplies for Ronald McDonald House

Builders Club School Supply Store fundraiser

Box Tops for Education fundraiser

Technology Team

The Panther Tech Team at the ACTE State Technology Fair.

We had 15 students qualify at the regional level to compete.

Four of those students placed in their category.

Three placed 2nd in Level 3 General Applications (Group).

One placed 2nd in Level 3 Web Design (Individual).

Volleyball

Our 7th grade had a 24-7 record.

We won the Round Robin Tournament at Homewood Middle School in both 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years

We won the West Morgan Tournament

We took 2nd at the Simmons Over The Mountain Tournament

Our 8th grade had a 26-3 record

We won the Gold and Black JV Tournament at East Lawrence

Cheerleading

Second place in the AHSAA Cheerleading Competition, Wallace State, Hanceville

Money Drop Annual School Fundraiser

Money Drop annual fundraiser brings in an approximate annual average of \$27,000.00 for our students educational use.

General Improvements

In our academics, we have added class offerings for helping students in need of academic support and to equip students who are able to go beyond the curriculum. Our students now each have the use of laptop computers and upgraded desktops in all our computer labs. We are also expanding our extra-curricular club offerings.



Walker High School Accomplishments 2016

Walker High has a 92% graduation rate .

Growth of the AP program in both number of courses offered and number of students participating. Three Saturday Test Prep Study Sessions held in each AP content area. A mock exam was given for each AP course.

37 students earned college credit via qualifying AP scores in May 2016.

15 Students earned a composite score of 30 or higher on ACT - "ACT 30 Plus Club"

Class of 2016 Average Composite ACT Score was 19.6

11th Grade Average Composite ACT Score was 19.3

\$5,480,495 in scholarship money awarded to Class of 2016

19 students received athletic scholarships to play at the secondary level

A new website was created that informs the public and highlights the accomplishments of Walker's athletes

HOSA held two extremely successful blood drives

The Hope Closet was created to help supply students with everyday necessities

Peer Tutoring sessions were held daily to assist EL students with school work

AP Literature created and published The Outlet, a student led literary writing blog

Diamonds Girls' Choir placed 3rd at Belmont Music Show Shop

Centerstage had two major productions, *Scrooge* and *Alice in Wonderland*

FCCLA won Silver at the State Competition

Agape Club held "Operation Christmas Child" and donated 27 boxes full of toys and supplies

140 National Honor Society Inductees

JROTC performed well at the State competition bringing home 2nd Place in Drill, Marksmanship, and PT

90 Cadets in JROTC program (25 of the 90 are students from Walker County Schools).

45 students participated in Cooperative Education Program.

MAC Scholars (Minority Achievement Council) Received 3k Dollar & Sense Financial Program 2014-2016



WALKER HIGH SCHOOL continued...

FCCLA Club/MAC Scholars (Annually)

- Father & Me Dance
- Salvation Army Bell Ringer
- Angel Tree (Boy & Girl)
- Retired Teachers Luncheon

Precision Machining student won state award at SkillsUSA and 6th place nationally.

FCCLA Club Walker County Fair Received 2nd Place "\$100 Prize (Fall 2015) STAR Events (FCCLA) Received Silver Medal (2016)

Grants received in Career Tech

* Donors Choose: \$400 Dollars for Garden Beds "Food Revolution"2014

*Precision Machining Program received a \$10,000 grant and a \$5,000 grant from the HAAS foundation.

New programs offered

Hospitality & Tourism Foundations Cluster/Pathway: Restaurants, Food and Beverage Services (2015-current)

Training completed by teacher for program:

Certified SERVSAFE Instructor/Proctor (2014-2019)

Certified American Hotel & Lodging "Guest Service Professional"

BSCC Torch Invitational

Walker High School had an outstanding showing today in the 2016 BSCC TORCH Invitational. All winners received a Torch Scholarship to BSCC. Walker High School is most fortunate to have such talented and intelligent young people.

First Place Winners

Calen Stewart - Geometry

Noah Naden - Physics

Austin Wilson - Chemistry

Madison Cuomo - Biology

Lucas Peacock - Algebra

Eli Emmitt - Collision Repair Technology

Keila Lawrence - Public Speaking

Mary Lin Ingram - Female Vocal Solo

Everette Green- Male Vocal Solo

Third Place Winners

Chase Williams - Physics

Michael Myrick - U.S. History

Jonah Morgan-Machine Tool Technology

Holly Beth Spivy - PreCal Trig.

Mason Berry—Anatomy

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Second Place Winners

Jax Kleusner-Physics

Torie Cook-Vocabulary/Reading

Anna Blackwell—American Lit

Tanner Dickson-Anatomy

AJ Clark-Biology

Jacob Adams-PreCal/Trig

Cole Wade-Percussion

Sara Nicholson-Algebra

Dual Enrollment: 12 (5.4% of eligible), This is up from 3% for the 2014-2015 school year.

25 students last year participated in the accelerated credit program at Beville State

Students currently enrolled in Dual Enrollment: 22

10-first semester 12-second semester

WALKER HIGH SCHOOL BAND

February 2016 24 students in the University of Alabama at Birmingham Honor Band

February 2016 27 students in the All District Honor Band

April 2016 3 students and 4 alternates in the All State Honor Band

March 2016 Superior rating for MPA State Band Festival

May 2016 First place for Music in the Parks Music Festival, Atlanta, Ga.

May 2016 6th grade Band First place elementary division for Music in the Parks Music Festival, Atlanta, Ga.

Hartselle Marching Competition - Oct 3, 2015

Superior Rating - Drum Major

Superior Rating - Color Guard

Superior Rating - Danceline

Superior Rating - Drumline

Superior Rating - Band

Best In Class - Danceline

Albertville Marching Competition - Oct 10, 2015

Superior Rating - Drum Major

Superior Rating - Color Guard

Superior Rating - Danceline

Superior Rating - Drumline

Superior Rating - Band

Best In Class - Drumline

Best In Class - Danceline

Best In Class - Color Guard

Best In Class - Band

Most Entertaining Band (including all classes)

Walker Band 2015-2016 Accomplishments cont.

Each year during the months of February, March, and April high school band students from all over Alabama and the Southeast are encouraged to challenge their individual musical skills on their instrument. They do this by applying, auditioning, and competing for prestigious honor bands held on various college campuses. The more band students a band can involve in this process, the more it benefits not only the students, but their high school band program as well.

Thirteen Walker Band students were selected to participate and perform in the 2016 University of Alabama Honor Band Festival. It is an honor to be selected and often leads to scholarship offerings awarded to select seniors who are part of the festival.

The students listed below performed at the Alabama Honor Band Festival.

Allison Aaron, Elijah Abbott, Patrick Dutton, Lex Farley, Kaylor Hodges, Jesse King, Pressley Madison, Wrenn Ramsey, Joseph Shubert, Kimberly Teer, Cole Wade, Ben Waid, and Madeleine West

ALL-STATE BAND MEMBERS - Joseph Shubert, Kaylor Hodges, Bennie Steadman

ALL-DISTRICT BAND MEMBERS - Noah Runyan, Wrenn Ramsey, Patrick Dutton, Joseph Shubert, Kaylor Hodges, Bennie Steadman

VIKING ATHLETIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2015-2016

For the 2015-2016 school year, Walker High School had 20 student athletes sign National Letters of Intent to play collegiately.

We have made a fantastic push in the social media aspect of branding and publicizing the positives about our school and our athletes through our website www.walkervikingsports.com and through twitter and Facebook that connect with our website.

Football (Heath Brunner)

Finished as Area Champs. We were 9-3 and got beat in the 2nd Round of state playoffs. Had 4 Players sign to play football collegiately. Will move into 6A region 6 with Clay-Chalkville, Pinson Valley, Center-Point, Carver, Gardendale, and Minor

ATHLETIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS continued...

Linebacker Alex Medina named Fox 6 Sideline Defensive Player of the Year

Lane Davenport named first team all-state Cornerback. Cru Birdyshaw (Offensive Line) and Alex Medina (Linebacker) named 2nd team all-state

Cross Country (Tamara Matthews & Linda Runyan)

Boys finished ranked #5, Girls finished Ranked #7 in 6A. We have a new Head Coach, Mrs. Ashley Harbin who ran XC at UA. Thomas Mobley, Jake Royster, and Savannah McMillon named all-state; Jacob Adams was a state Finalist for annual Bryant-Jordan award, and was a National Finalist for Wendy's High School Heisman

Swimming (Coach Katie Oliver & Coach Jason Lynn)

We had 11 student athletes represent Walker High School in in 1st ever sanctioned swim team under AHSAA

Volleyball (Coach Bobby Daniels)

Hired Coach Bobby Daniels before last season, and they had a fantastic season. They were Area Champs, He signed three girls to scholarships, and competed in **the elite 8 last season. Ranked in the top 10 from wire to wire.**

Anna Claire Harris and Emily Wilson named all-state

Indoor Track (Coach Mark Aldridge)

Women finished ranked 3rd and Men finished Ranked 6th. We had 9 earn medals and one state champion. Maddie Harrell in the 60M hurdles.

Women's Basketball (Coach Willie Moore)

Finished Area Runners Up, beat in 1st Rd at Austin HS. Placed 4 on the Eagle Elite Team, and had two make all- area team. Just hired a new head coach, Anna Barnett.

Men's Basketball (Coach Rufus McDuffie)

Area where we needed to improve. Hired Coach Robert Epps to turn around our program. He is very well thought of around the state. Multiple coach of the year honors and trips to the final four.

Wrestling (Coach Tripp Otis)

Had two students Cru Birdyshaw and Miguel Sanchez compete for state championships, and had a heavy weight (Birdyshaw) finish in the top 5.

Baseball (Coach Patrick Ware)

Won 27 ball games and got beat in the 3rd Rd by Southside Gadsden. Signed one, and have another invited walk on. Sr Pitcher Bryant Atkins named 2nd Team all-State

Softball (Coach Brandi Hall)

Regular season, and tournament area champions. Participated in the Regional tournament in Tuscaloosa, where they were defeated by Chelsea (State Champions) and Oxford. They return 7 starters and were ranked their highest in the fast pitch era.

Fr Mia Griffin and So Skylar Birdyshaw named 2nd Team All-State

VIKING ATHLETIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS CONTINUED...

Track & Field (Patrick Darwin)

Girls Finished 3rd (Highest Finish ever for Girls) and Boys finished 11th

Maddie Harrell: 100 Meter Hurdles State Champion

4X100 Relay State Champion

(Maddie Harrell, Mykeesa Johnson, Abby Hart, Jymeelah Kirk)

Savannah McMillon: 800 Meter State Champion, 1600 Meter State Champion

4X800 Relay State Champion

(Savannah McMillon, Jodi Ann Martin, Sarah McMillon, Caitlyn Muncher)

Soccer (Tripp Otis)

Area Champions, defeated Hillcrest Tuscaloosa in Rd 1 and lost to Northridge

Tennis (Christian Matthews)

Boys were state champions, and Girls were Runners Up

Boys:

#3 Singles: Tyler Banks

#4 Singles: Ben Hicks

#6 Singles: John Bertoldi

#2 Doubles: Tyler Banks & Ben Hicks

#3 Doubles: Eli Matthews & John Bertoldi

Girls:

#3 Singles: Olivia Hayes

Golf (Bobby Daniels) (Kelly Whitaker)

Boys made it out of sectionals and competed in sub state.

Women's golfer Annalee Stephens prequalified as an individual as sub state. WHS had two golfers sign scholarships.





NORTH HIGHLANDS SCHOOL

North Highlands students participate in the EASI (Equines Assisting Special Individuals) program twice a year.

The Samuel Lee Smith Advise Fund provides the opportunity for NHS students to swim for 2 four-week sessions in the fall and spring.

North Highlands School annually hosts a Christmas Party for students with special needs from Walker, Maddox, and North Highlands sponsored by the Jasper Northwest Fair Committee.

The Jasper Pilot Club sponsors an Egg Hunts each year for students with Special Needs in JCS. North Highlands School is the host of this event each year.

With the Jasper Senior Center just across the street, NHS students have an opportunity to interact with seniors several times a year during seasonal events.

NHS provided lunch and gift cards to show appreciation to NHS Resource Officers.





TECHNOLOGY

AVERAGE DAILY TECHNOLOGY USAGE

JCS Internet searches	35,000
JCS e-mail	9,800
Internet Blocks	2,500
Network connectivity—# of wireless devices	3,120
Network connectivity—#of wired devices	1,913
Network connectivity (speed)	400Mb/s
Typical use/Internet capacity	65%

TECHNOLOGY STAFF

of staff 3

Tech Staff to Student Ratio: 1:933

STUDENT DEVICES

Laptops- grades 6-12: 1,493

iPads- grades K-5: 1,531



TRANSPORTATION

Number of daily routes: 18

Number of students transported daily: 803

Total daily miles: 368