

## SCHOOL PROFILE

The Central City Public School district, a Class III, K-12 district, covers approximately 244 square miles. The elementary, middle and high schools are accredited by the State of Nebraska, as well as by North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA), which is a part of AdvancED. Enrollment for the district in 2009-2010 was 779 students, and graduation classes typically range from 55-75 students.

- Attendance Rate is 95.9%
- Graduation rate is 98.28%
- Students receiving special education services is 16.12%. Some services are contracted through Central Nebraska Support Services Program (CNSSP).
- Students eligible for free and reduced lunches is 46.60%
- The school's mobility rate is 7.86%
- English Language Learners is 0%

The district has three attendance locations:

- Elementary (grades pre-school through four)
- Middle school (grades five through eight)
- High school (grades nine through twelve).

The middle school and high school, although two separate buildings, are at the same location about a half block apart. All facilities have been either built new or renovated over the past fifteen years. A Performing Arts Center was recently constructed with an opening date of March 2011. This facility was made possible through an endowment fund to support the upcoming maintenance and operational costs, as well as a bond issue for the brick and mortar of the building. This facility, open to our school and surrounding community, will seat 516 audience members.

The elementary generally has three sections of each grade, as does the middle school. A pre-school opportunity is also provided at the elementary in cooperation with Central Nebraska Community Services. Class size at the elementary ranges from 15-22 students per room. An after school homework time is set aside at both the elementary and middle school for students to

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receive instruction and help on assignments past regular school hours. Both after school homework programs are staffed by teachers, administrators, and community volunteers. An alternative education program at the middle school and high school level is available , as well as a reading literacy coach/early interventionist at the elementary level. All three buildings have two special education teachers, reflecting growth in that student population. This is three more staff members in that area from our last accreditation cycle.

The staff of Central City Public Schools includes:

- 1 superintendent
- 3 building principals
- 1 full time activity director
- 63 certified teachers
- 1 school nurse
- 2 guidance counselors
- 47 support staff members (paraeducators, secretaries, cafeteria, bus, custodial--some are part-time)

A six member board of education serves as the district's governing body. The school board has been awarded the Outstanding Board Award from the Nebraska Association of School Boards for the past eight years.