

WEST VIRGINIA REPORT CARDS 1998-1999

MESSAGE FROM THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT

Welcome to Berkeley County Schools. I am pleased to have the opportunity to tell you about our school system. Because our county has been experiencing an average annual increase of 2.5 percent in student enrollment, we are somewhat unique among West Virginia school districts. That percentage translates into 250-350 new students each school year - enough to fill a ten-room elementary school! During the 1998-1999 and 1999-2000 school years, four new schools were opened: Musselman High, Musselman Middle, Mill Creek Intermediate, and Potomack Intermediate Schools. Additional facilities to meet our ever-expanding population are being planned.

The growth is due to our unique location in West Virginia's Eastern Panhandle. Located at the northern gateway to the historic and scenic Shenandoah Valley, Berkeley County is within a few minutes of three states - Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Virginia - and within the Washington, DC Metropolitan Statistical Area. Our county's location, its human resources, and its quiet country atmosphere continue to draw new business and industry and new families.

Exciting programs and services abound in Berkeley County Schools. We are a vibrant school district committed to providing to all students the most appropriate education that will best prepare them to be productive citizens able to meet the challenges of working and living in the next century. Let me extend an invitation to visit Berkeley County and our schools. Come...see for yourself.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE COUNTY

County Population (#)	68,197	Public Schools (#):	
Student Enrollment (#)	12,600	Elementary	16
High School Graduates(#)	688	Middle or Jr. High	4
Teachers (#)	858	High Schools	3
Pupil/Teacher Ratio	15.1	Vocational Schools	1
		Other	1

STANFORD ACHIEVEMENT TEST, 9TH EDITION TOTAL BASIC SKILLS (PERCENTILE SCORES)

	<u>1996-1997</u>	<u>1997-1998</u>	<u>1998-1999</u>	<u>1999-2000</u>	<u>2000-2001</u>
Grade 3	59	63	62		
Grade 4	58	60	61		
Grade 5	57	59	61		
Grade 6	63	64	63		
Grade 7	58	61	61		
Grade 8	59	61	62		
Grade 9	59	57	58		
Grade 10	57	59	57		
Grade 11	57	60	61		



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