

Wauneta-Palisade Public Schools see boost in student enrollment

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In a school district the size of the Wauneta-Palisade Public Schools district, a handful of kids can make a big difference.

W-P Superintendent Randy Geier informed Breeze staff earlier this week that the school's enrollment for the 2013-2014 school year will be 227 students.

This number demonstrates a substantial jump in enrollment—nearly 11 percent—for our local school district, whose enrollment last year was 208.

“The upward trend in our enrollment is a very positive sign for our school system.” said Geier. “Hopefully our numbers will continue to grow!”

The 227 students this year at W-P schools includes 32 pre-schoolers, 109 elementary students (K-6), 34 junior high (7-8) students and 52 students in the high school (9-12).

The two largest classes this year are the kindergarten and first grade classes, each with 19 students. The smallest class this year is the fifth grade with 11 students.

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See the included chart for enrollment by grade and total enrollment for the past five school years.

NUMBER OF STUDENTS ENROLLED AT WAUNETA-PALISADE SCHOOLS

Enrollment by Grade	School Year				
	13-14	12-13	11-12	10-11	09-10
Pre-Kindergarten	32	30	26	20	27
Kindergarten	19	17	17	25	14
1st Grade	19	10	20	13	13
2nd Grade	15	19	13	15	13
3rd Grade	17	11	14	15	12
4th Grade	13	12	14	16	12
5th Grade	11	13	17	13	11
6th Grade	15	13	12	12	12
7th Grade	16	15	14	11	11
8th Grade	18	14	10	11	15
9th Grade	12	12	10	12	11
10th Grade	12	12	15	15	17
11th Grade	16	13	17	17	21
12th Grade	12	17	13	20	24
Total Enrollment	227	208	212	215	213

Sources: W-P Schools, Nebraska Department of Education

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