

# COSSA Board Report

Career & Technical Education/COSSA Academy Report

October 16, 2023

Total enrollment for the CTE programs is 148 students.

Program	Homedale	Marsing	Parma	Notus	Wilder	Academy	Homeschool
Automotive	7	0	5	4	1	1	
Intro Parma			12				
Intro Marsing		17					
Culinary	1	1	3	1	0	1	1-Marsing
Diesel	4	1	6	3	2	1	1-Parma
Law	1	0	2	1	0	1	1-Marsing
Nursing	4	0	5	2	1	0	
Welding	17	2	9	1	0	4	1 Hom, 1 Not
EMT	3	0	6	2	0	1	1-OD, 1 Par
Advanced EMT	0	0	1	0	0	0	1-OD
Pre-Engineering	1	0	2	0	0	4	
<b>District Totals</b>	38 (-4)	21 (-1)	51 (+3)	14	4	12	8 (+2)
<b>Students on IEPs</b>	2	1	2	0	1	3	
<b>504s</b>	0	0	3	2	0	0	

## Dropped CTE Students (Concentrators)

### Notus District

3 students – Advanced Culinary (due to credit requirements from district)

### Homedale District

3 students – Advanced Culinary (Schedule change, 1 dropout)

1 student – Welding program (no reason stated)

1 student – Nursing Program (dropped)

### Wilder District

2 students – Advanced Culinary (Behind on credits)

#### 1. Student and School Outreach

- Car Show - Oct 28th
  - i. Welding is making trophies
  - ii. Auto/Diesel will sell chili dogs
  - iii. Business will sell hot chocolate and popcorn
  - iv. Law/Culinary will sell root beer floats
- Bulletin boards and brochures

2. Culinary has designed and put up two bulletin boards on the Academy side of the school with information about each CTE programs

3. CTSO

- EMT will attend competition prep in Nyssa Oct 27th
- CTSO officers attended BASIC in Nampa on Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>

4. CTE Projects

- Welding and Diesel students combined efforts to install basketball hoops on new court
- Engineering is working on painting the lines

1. **COSSA Academy Enrollment 2023-2024 school year** – 72 High school and 11 Junior High. Breakdown is as follows:

School District	# High School Students	# Junior High Students
Homedale	25	6
Marsing	21	2
Parma	15	3
Notus	3	0
Wilder	8	0

**Starting Quarter 2**

4 HS Students from Parma  
2 HS Students from Marsing  
1 JH Student from Parma

**Attendance**

The COSSA attendance team has been meeting weekly to discuss students at risk of violating the attendance policy and to identify the best means to support these students. Our attendance point person (Sam) contacts students/families daily with students with more than one absence. If these calls are not answered or returned, we arrange a parent/guardian meeting or conduct a home visit. We continue this process until the student exceeds the allowed absences under our policy.

Our current attendance average for the year is 89% (for the high school) and 78% for junior high. We have had some success with these efforts. We recognize the challenge but are encouraged by the increase in our attendance averages (in the 50 percent range last year) and the responses we have received from the families and students. In short, we are preventing students from falling through the cracks and are making a concerted effort to reach out to all students who are at risk. Academically, we will focus on catching at-risk students quicker in our weekly teacher meetings and addressing their needs through academic probation, academic success, etc.

Speaking of Academic Success, our after-school program, we have significantly increased attendance with a more focused effort in notifying parents during our advisory periods. The advisory teacher conducts a weekly grade check and has students call home if they are below 60% in any class. Our buses now provide transportation to 10 to 15 students on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Some students attend on Tuesday to be eligible for club participation on Wednesday.

Some other highlights from the Academy:

- Student council has been a positive force and will propose a new school mascot.
- A car show is being held to promote COSSA and to raise funds for lighting/seating for our new basketball court.
- Students will begin playing on the court (painted by engineering) starting Monday, October 16th.
- Student council, with support from engineering, has designed t-shirts to produce school-appropriate merchandise for fundraising and school spirit.
- We have experienced no fighting or drug activity on the campus but have suspended some students for intimidation or aggressive behaviors.
- With those students, we do a reintegration meeting with the family before they can return to the campus and emphasize education and restorative practices.

## **2. COSSA Academy and CTE Upcoming Events**

- Quarter 2 begins October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023