



ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Twin Rivers School District Community Meeting Fact Sheet February 15, 2010

- On February 8, 2010, the Arkansas State Board of Education voted to dismiss the superintendent and school board of the Twin Rivers School District due to the second consecutive year of violations of the state standards of accreditation. The board directed the Arkansas Commissioner of Education to reconstitute the school district. Authority for this action stems from Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-15-207.
- The Twin Rivers School District's six violations of the 18 standards of accreditation fall into the following five categories:
 - Curriculum
 - Instruction
 - Teacher Licensure/Professional Development
 - Attendance and Enrollment
 - Graduation requirements
 - Accreditation
- The Arkansas State Board of Education also directed the Arkansas Department of Education to develop a plan for annexation of the Twin Rivers School District into one or more contiguous districts as of July 1, 2010.
- The Twin Rivers School District has experienced a trend of declining enrollment:
 - 2005-2006: 465 average daily membership (ADM)
 - 2006-2007: 424 ADM
 - 2007-2008: 384 ADM
 - 2008-2009: 351 ADM
- The Twin Rivers School District has experienced a declining balance: In FY07, the ending balance was \$1,131,475 and the projected ending balance for FY10 is \$773,704.
- Arkansas Education Commissioner Dr. Tom W. Kimbrell has appointed Mr. Tommy Arant to serve as Twin Rivers School District Superintendent for the remainder of the 2009-2010 school year. Mr. Arant will report directly to Dr. Kimbrell.
- School districts that are contiguous to Twin Rivers are Highland, Hillcrest, Mammoth Springs, Maynard, Pocahontas and Sloan-Hendrix school districts.