

# DISTRICT SPOTLIGHT

## West Orange-Cove CISD

**Superintendent:** Dr. Rickie Harris

**Region:** 5

**Location:** Orange in Orange County, is located in deep Southeast Texas. It is the last city on Interstate 10 before you get to Louisiana. West Orange-Cove CISD encompasses three cities: Orange, West Orange, and Pinehurst.



**Student Enrollment:** 2,527 students in pre-kindergarten through high school

**School Campus Configuration:** Our campuses are North Early Learning Center (Head Start – PK), West Orange Stark Elementary (K – 5), West Orange Stark Middle School (6 – 8), West Orange Stark High School (9 – 12), and West Orange Stark Early College (9 – 12).

### What are your district's points of pride?

- We are the only school in Orange County with an Early College High School.
- Our Read and Roll summer reading program where we take our activity buses to different locations in the community to feed our students, and use different student groups to read to students.
- We are the winningest football program in the state of Texas.
- We are four times State Football Champions.
- We have our own online Mustang store.
- Big Blue Productions is our student technology team that operates our athletic video boards during football, softball, basketball, and softball games.

### What makes your school district/community unique?

- We are considered a property rich district that serves a student population that is over 80 percent economically disadvantaged.
- We have endured three hurricanes, tropical storms, and river flooding; and we remain a strong community.

**What challenges does your district face?**

- Obtaining certified teachers
- Educating highly economically disadvantage students
- Meeting the needs of the whole child