What Students Are Taught At Piney Woods School

A Day of Enriching Experiences is the Privilege of every student.

As students are “leaders of tomorrow,” we strive here at Piney Woods to prepare them for a good and useful life. We teach them to use the head, heart and hands. When these potential leaders graduate from Piney Woods, further their education in trade schools and colleges or engage themselves in business and succeed in their chosen fields, we know that we have had a share in making a better world.

Home Management
At the Home Management House, a gift from Dr. Madeleine Kirkland, girls are trained, four at a time, in the technicalities of caring for a modern home and managing a family budget; also, in the art of entertaining individuals of both sexes.

Woodworking
In our Woodworking Shop, boys learn to make useful objects; such as, cabinets, desks, bookshelves, lamps, etc.; also wood carving under a skilled wood carver—Mr. George Berry.

Plumbing
They lay and repair pipe, install plumbing, repair fixtures—all under the supervision of Mr. Eddie Johnson and Mr. John Salter.

Janitorial Service
A former hospital custodian, Mr. George Berry, teaches our boys up-to-date methods of cleaning rooms and buildings.

Dry-Cleaning
There was a slogan once used, “When clothes are dirty, ring seventy-three.” We say at Piney Woods, “When dry-cleaning is your need, the boys will do that deed.” At the Dry-Cleaning and Pressing shop, the boys learn how to clean and press garments as well as to care for business transactions. Some of our graduates operate their own Dry-Cleaning Shops in their home towns. Mrs. Johnnie Wells supervises this industry.

Dental Assistants
For several years, Dr. and Mrs. Robert O. Cole have been coming to Piney Woods to give their services. Dr. Cole is a dentist and Mrs. Cole, an able assistant. In addition to caring for the teeth of all our students and teachers who need dental work, the Coles have trained several girls who could become dental assistants or even aspire to learn dentistry as a profession.

Upholstery
No furniture is a life-time article in a home; therefore, it is good to know how to upholster chairs, couches, etc. Under the supervision of Mr. William Sullivan, boys learn this type of work and thereby will be able to save on furniture in their homes or may take up the industry as their life work. It is, indeed, a paying one.

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Dr. Preston Bradley of Chicago, Commencement Speaker many times.

Mrs. Katherine Speed and her son Joe, in the library at Piney Woods following the dedication of the bronze bust she sculptured of Dr. Jones.