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### Description of the School

Describe the school's size, community/communities, location, and changes it has experienced in the last three years. Include demographic information about the students, staff, and community at large. What unique features and challenges are associated with the community/communities the school serves?

The faculty, staff and students of Heartland Elementary strive for excellence and success. Heartland continues to grow and currently services approximately 540 students Preschool - 5th grade and 90 employees. Heartland is a Title 1 school with a diverse student population that is accepting of all students and abilities. The teaching staff at Heartland Elementary take teaching seriously and will go above and beyond their professional duties to help all our children succeed and achieve in the classroom. Heartland has strong parent involvement and an active PTO that works for the well-being of our students. Heartland Elementary takes pride in their student diversity and is centrally located in Elizabethtown, Kentucky making it easily accessible for the community and businesses.

### School Stakeholders

Identify and describe the school's stakeholder groups. How does the school ensure stakeholder involvement and engagement in the improvement planning process?

Heartland ensures stakeholder groups have a voice through our site base decision making council. In addition, we have site base committees that review policies. The administrative team meets quarterly with parents to gain insight and feedback on how the school is running. We also conduct parent surveys at least twice a year. Staff surveys are also conducted throughout the school year. We have an active PTO that meets monthly and works closely with the administrative team as well teachers. We also have a strong FRC designated in working with families in a variety of ways.

### School's Purpose

Provide the school's purpose statement and supplementary content such as mission, vision, values, and/or beliefs, including the year in which they were last reviewed or revised. Describe how the school embodies its purpose through its program offerings and expectations for students and how stakeholders are involved in its development.

### Mission Statement

HEARTLAND ELEMENTARY- A learning community committed to individual growth and leadership.

Vision -----

**Helping**

**Everyone**

**Succeed**

## Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment –

While aligning a variety of assessments and instruction with the standards, we will strive to meet the needs of all our students through the use of flexible small grouping, differentiated instruction, high order questioning and critical thinking skills while incorporating technology as much as possible.

## Reducing Barriers to Learning –

Intentional planning will be made to utilize our preschool program, ESS, ESL, Title 1, special education, volunteer and Family Resource Center programs and PTO. Collaboration with these resources will enhance learning for all our students at Heartland Elementary.

Positive communication among all stakeholders (parents, teachers, students, and the community) will be consistent and intentional in order to build positive relationships.

## Equity –

Our goal at Heartland Elementary is to ensure all students have equal access and opportunity to learning through rigorous instruction based on student needs and various learning styles.

## Notable Achievements

Describe the school's notable achievements in the last three years.

As Heartland's special populations increase, we have worked to ensure all of our students are receiving quality and rigorous instruction across all instructional settings. As our overall student enrollment increases and our diversity grows, we strive to include all students by meeting them at their social, emotional and instructional level. We focus on meeting students where they are and put best practices into place to ensure they are showing growth throughout the school year.

In the Spring of 2024, we were recognized as a Purple Star school for our support and involvement with our military families.

We have active clubs for our students. Our academic team competes at the district and regional level. Our Beta club competes and has placed in the state and national level multiple times over the past few years.

## Areas of Improvement

Describe areas for improvement that the school is striving to achieve in the next three years.

Over the next three years, our school will focus on strengthening student achievement in reading, math, and writing integration. We are committed to ensuring that every child builds a strong foundation in literacy and numeracy while developing the ability to apply writing across all content areas.

### Our goals are to:

- Reading: Increase student proficiency through evidence-based instructional practices, targeted interventions, and fostering a love of reading across grade levels.
- Math: Improve problem-solving, reasoning, and fluency by implementing consistent instructional strategies and promoting real-world application.
- Writing Integration: Embed writing into all subject areas to enhance critical thinking, communication, and cross-curricular connections.

Through high-quality professional learning, collaborative teacher teams, and ongoing progress monitoring, we will create a culture of continuous growth and academic excellence. By the end of three years, our students will demonstrate measurable gains in reading, math, and writing performance, equipping them for future success.

### Additional Information

Provide any additional information you would like to share with the public and community that were not prompted in the previous sections.

At Heartland Elementary, we hold high expectations for every student, and our dedicated staff works tirelessly to support them every step of the way. Together, we operate as one family—committed to nurturing growth, celebrating success, and ensuring that every child has the opportunity to thrive.

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# Attachment Summary

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