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G C Burkhead Elementary School

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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?

G.C. Burkhead is the largest elementary school in the Hardin County district. We have approximately 750 students, with an additional 80 preschool students. G.C. Burkhead has a unique district outline that pulls students from centralized and rural neighborhoods of Elizabethtown. The school is located close to the industrial regions of Elizabethtown, making it a convenient drop-off for our parents who work in the factories. This is our 4th year in our new building. The school has experience relatively low employee turnover in the last few years. Our student demographics are: 70% white, 15% African American, 12% Hispanic. In the last few years, we have seen a growing EL student population. The school has a student population that is very transient. Over 50% of our population qualify for free or reduced lunch. Unfortunately, our families that live in poverty often change their residency often, creating instability for many of our students.

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School's Purpose

Provide the school's purpose statement and ancillary content such as mission, vision, values, and/or beliefs. Describe how the school embodies its purpose through its program offerings and expectations for students.

The vision of G.C. Burkhead is as follows: We Find Success In Each One, Some Way, Every Day! The mission for G.C. Burkhead Elementary School is to recognize that all children can learn and to ensure that children are given the foremost educational opportunities to meet their individual needs and to provide a strong foundation for life-long learning, in order to be competitive in the global arena, by providing positive community involvement, a secure and stimulating environment, educational innovation, and visionary leadership. Our staff members set high expectations for all students. Students are pushed to be the best version of themselves. In doing so, we also celebrate success. We reward and recognize academics as well as character and behavior.

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Notable Achievements and Areas of Improvement

Describe the school's notable achievements and areas of improvement in the last three years. Additionally, describe areas for improvement that the school is striving to achieve in the next three years.

Over the last three years, G.C. Burkhead has seen much improvement in reading and math according to MAP. Last year, for the first time in several years, every classroom had at least 50% expected growth. Several classes saw 100%. Another area of achievement was in the area of writing. For three years in a row, the percentage of students scoring proficient/distinguished on KPREP hovered around 25%. Last year, that percentage doubled. Despite the improvement in writing, we will be pushing for improvement in that area. The school is emphasizing the process and working to establish expectations across all grade levels. Although our reading and math

KPREP scores grew from the previous year, there is still a focus to increase the percentage of students scoring above proficiency. At the same time, we will work to reduce our students scoring novice. We will continue to work with the new social studies and science standards, aligning our curriculum.

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Additional Information

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

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