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Description of the District

Describe the district'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 district serves?

Todd County School District, located in Todd County, Kentucky, is a blend of professional faculty members, support staff and students who care about student growth and achievement, and who are committed to excellence in education through the partnership of students, staff, and the community. Todd County is approximately thirty miles long and twelve miles wide, with a total area of 367 square miles. The county is home to the county seat of Elkton and the incorporated towns of Trenton and Guthrie, along with smaller communities of Allegre, Allensville, Clifty, Daysville, Fairview, Kirkmansville, Sharon Grove and Tiny Town. Todd County has four schools, comprised of two elementary schools, one middle school, and one high school. The current enrollment of Todd County School district is 1755 students in grades Kindergarten through 12th grade, with an additional 143 students enrolled in the Preschool Programs at North Todd Elementary and South Todd Elementary Schools. Todd County School District's K-12 demographics are: 59.57% (1,043 students) Free/Reduced lunch; 20.0% (344 students) of the population receive special education services; and 5% (83 students) receiving ELL services; the ethnicity demographics of Todd County School District population including preschool through Grade 12 are: 72.0% (1,263 students) Caucasian, 25.7% (495 students) minority students (9.7% (171 students) African American, 12.3% (215 students) Hispanic, 0.1% (2 students) Asian, 0.1% (6 students) American Indian, 0.05% (1 student) Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, and 5.7% (100 students) identify as two or more races). There are approximately 140 teaching staff and 13 school level administrators in Todd County School District. There is a 15.0% turnover rate for teachers within the district. There are 33 teachers, ranging from one to three years of teaching experience who are enrolled in the Todd County New Teacher Academy, supported by Western Kentucky University and Todd County has 11 full-time subs who are serving as full-time teachers in core content classrooms.

District's Purpose

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

Todd County School District Vision: Todd County Schools strive to be a district of excellence with our schools, staff and students receiving regional, state, and national recognition. Todd County School District Mission: The mission of Todd County Schools is Teaching, Caring, and Serving • Teaching all students from a rigorous and aligned curriculum • Caring by building Positive mentoring relationships with all Description of the District District's Purpose • Serving by using varied, research-based instructional strategies that make learning relevant to the

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needs of our students and the community Todd County School District Belief Statement: • We believe that all students in partnership with parents, community and educators can reach proficiency in every area of education when provided a safe and nurturing environment. • We believe high expectations for students and staff are essential for high levels of performance both academically and socially. We believe all students, staff and parents should be provided recognition for positive successes. • We believe learning should be relevant, exciting, and engaging for all students. • We believe all students should be provided appropriate interventions or enrichment that enable them to reach their highest potential in academics and extra-curricular activities. District and school leaders ensure student achievement by 1) analyzing data to identify achievement gaps 2) designing instructional activities that are congruent with standards 3) providing intervention and enrichment programs to address academic needs; and 4) using professional learning communities to analyze student work and monitor effectiveness of instruction. The comprehensive planning process is built to create transparent plans for all stakeholders to support local schools as a community for improving learning for all students. The process serves to document and support schools as they strive to meet the new Kentucky's Unbridled Learning Accountability Model and measures. The goals will assist the district in decisions regarding the allocation of resources in the determining professional development and in monitoring improvement district wide. The improvement goals and strategies are identified using data from KPREP and ACT data.

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

Todd County School District will continue to learn, implement, and adapt instruction to meet Kentucky's proposed accountability system, which strongly reflects the Kentucky Board of Education's vision that each and every student is empowered and equipped with the knowledge, skills, and dispositions to pursue a successful future. Todd County School District will continue to provide students with multiple, meaningful opportunities to engage in opportunities that build awareness of career opportunities, provide real-world instruction and lead to credentials with to help them be successful and productive citizens. Additional staff and support services have been hired throughout the district to help with the social emotional learning competencies of our students. It is the priority of Todd County Schools to help students develop self-awareness and self-management skills to achieve school and lifelong success; use social awareness skills to establish and maintain positive relationships; and demonstrate decision making skills and responsible behaviors in personal, school and community contexts. Instructional coaches and additional support staff have been hired across the district to assist with support of teacher learning, professional development communities, and literacy support districtwide. Based on data from our recent 2022 ACT and KSA Scores, and 2021 IMPACT KY Working Conditions Survey, Todd County Schools will focus on with fidelity and rigor on two main areas of improvement. First, Professional Learning Communities (PLC) for teachers will be developed with a cycle format and meet weekly to plan, analyze

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and revamp instructional strategies based on universal data. Teachers will receive 60 hours (36 hours over the normal required 24) professional learning on literacy practices to enhance their instruction. Second, professional learning in the area of literacy (reading and writing) and creating instructional strategies that allow students to perform at high levels of engagement and meet KAS levels of rigor. Highly structured reading and writing strategies and activities designed to be implemented in our classrooms to improve instruction will be a focus districtwide. All students grades 4-12 will be required write in all academic classrooms for the 2022-23 school year, K-3 will work on foundational skills in vocabulary, phonics and reading comprehension through a new literacy program Into Reading (HMH) proven literacy program with exemplar ratings from edreports.org. (Example: Writing samples are collected at the high school every three weeks and analyzed for growth during the PLC process.) Todd County Elementary Schools are unified in using the same reading and Mathematics program for the 2022-2023 school year. This alignment will provide congruent curriculum across the district on math and reading skills. Finally, our professional learning goal will be to develop a Framework (Profile of a Graduate) to specify the cognitive, personal, and interpersonal competencies that students should have as benchmarks at each grade level and develop those competencies into attributes attained when students graduate Todd County Schools. Athletics: TCCHS Boys Basketball Team won Region Class A Tournament, and in 2022 the TCCHS Girls Volleyball team won the Region A Tournament allowing them to qualify for the KY Class A state tournament for the first time in school history.

Additional Information

Districts Supporting CSI/TSI (including ATSI) Schools Only: Describe the procedures for monitoring and providing support for (a) CSI/TSI school(s) so as to ensure the successful implementation of the school improvement plan.

NA

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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