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Creekside 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?

Creekside Elementary School, located in the community of Sonora, serves students PreK - Grade 5 with a total enrollment of 420. Students who attend Creekside live in the rural areas of Upton, Sonora, Glendale, and Southern Elizabethtown. 13% of the student population fall into a minority group and 56% qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch. Our school began an AgSTREAM initiative in late 2021, and we have expanded our program to include an

immersive outdoor and indoor agriculture curriculum for all students K-5.

Additionally, STEM classes are offered to all students K-5. We have 1 interventionist funded through ESSER funds. Construction on a large Ford plant has begun

within our school's geographic area, and we are enrolling new students regularly.

Explosive growth in population within our immediate boundaries is expected to

begin at any time. 3 teachers retired last year and 2 resigned. We have 3 first-year teachers in our building this year.

School Stakeholders

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

Our school has a functioning SBDM that works very hard in collaboration with our highly active PTA. The PTA board and SBDM meet monthly to involve and engage our families in meaningful ways.

School's Purpose

Provide the school's purpose statement and ancillary 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.

The mission of Creekside Elementary School is to provide a safe learning environment where everyone is encouraged to reach their full potential. Keeping the school's mission in mind, Creekside places an emphasis on traditions, loyalty, and commitment to education. Creekside students reach their full potential by implementing their PAWS (P-Prepared to Perform, A - Attitude is Everything, W-Work Ethic, S - Show Respect.) The iREADY Math and Reading Assessments and other assessments at the school and district level are used to analyze individual strengths and learning needs of all of our students. The faculty and staff of Creekside Elementary strives to improve instructional practices and overall school climate using the Studer Pillars of Success. The local community plays a huge role in Creekside's success, and we are continuously striving to build our partnerships with parents through new and varied parent engagement activities.

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 past four years, Creekside Elementary has focused on increasing students' 21st Century technology skills and the application of these skills into their lives, community, and world. Creekside Elementary is Hardin County's first AgSTREAM Elementary School. Our community partners have provided us with the OWLS Nature Trail to include our pollination garden and indoor and outdoor

vegetable gardens. This year our program included the construction of an outdoor classrooms. Our AgSTREAM classroom and STEM classroom provide real-

world application to 21st Century Skills. Math, Reading/Writing, and Science are

areas that have been a focus and will remain a focus. We are working to increase

proficiency in all 3 areas on KSA tests, as well as close gaps for economically disadvantaged students. Finally, our principal won the Kentucky Farm Bureau Excellence in Ag Literacy Award on behalf of the school.

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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Attachment Summary

Attachment Name	Description	Associated Item(s)
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