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# Fulton County Elementary Ashton Giles

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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?

Fulton County Elementary School is located in Hickman, Kentucky, on the Mississippi River. Our school serves a culturally diverse population. We are a Title I school which provides free meals for all students for breakfast and lunch. FCES recognizes that educational equity is an integral function of the educational process in the community, and it is a primary component of the school and district School Improvement Plans. Our building currently houses 4 preschool classrooms along with elementary grades K-5. We share a building with the middle school which is situated on the district main campus also containing the high school, career center, board of education and athletic facilities.

We currently have 260 students enrolled in K-5 and 51 preschool students. Approximately, 75% of our student population falls within the economically disadvantaged category with 25% of our student population in the non-economically disadvantaged subgroup. This aspect of our community creates a unique challenge, as well as, our location in far Western Kentucky. Many of our students are transient and will move back and forth across the Tennessee/Kentucky border. With a full-time elementary guidance counselor, a shared family resource center, Mountain Care counselors, and a full-time nurse, FCES works hard to provide additional services to our students and community to help complete their learning process. Two grants will provide access for our students to a physician and to dental treatment at school with parent approval over the next three years.

Our caring faculty and staff at FCES strive to provide ALL students with a meaningful and engaging learning experience. The city of Hickman was established in 1834 and is the county seat of Fulton County. According to 2020 Census data, the population of Fulton County currently stands at 6,515 citizens with a total of 79.1% being high school graduates and 13.4% of county residents receiving a bachelor's degree or higher. Stressing the importance of education throughout our community is very important. The median household income of Fulton County is \$30,114.00.

#### School Stakeholders

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

A systematic approach was utilized to write the FCES CSIP including all stakeholders in the process. Analysis of KPREP data, iReady data, Brigance data and the Key Core Work Processes provided the blueprint for setting goals and objectives, planning activities and strategies, and designing progress measures. Faculty meetings, PLC meetings, Advisory Council meetings, and administrative meetings were held to



plan, write, revise and approve the improvement plan. In addition to faculty analysis of formative and summative assessment data, classroom data notebooks and a Notable Achievements and Areas of Improvement. School climate and culture are administered each year to teachers, students, and parents to allow all stakeholders a voice. Multiple data sources are to address issues of performance and inequity.

### 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.

During the spring and summer of 2023, our school district has worked with staff, students, parents, and community partners to rewrite our mission, vision and core beliefs. This work was conducted over a six month period with input from all areas including approval from the Fulton County Board of Education. These new documents represent input and voice from across our school district and community.

Mission Statement: Compassion + High Standards = Growth for All

Vision Statement: Relentlessly Pursuing Excellence

"All In" is the district's theme this year

CORE BELIEFS: 1. Fulton County students should have a caring educator/staff. 2. Fulton County students should believe in themselves. 3. Fulton County students should feel safe and be challenged. 4. Fulton County students should be treated equally. 5. Fulton County students should believe they have a future and opportunities.

## 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.

Fulton County Elementary School continues to put our students at the forefront of every decision we make. Our mission, vision and core beliefs guide each decision made at our school. Staff members continue to make sure students are aware of standards being taught and can articulate the aspects of proficient work. FCES has been awarded the PBIS Gold Star, as well as, recognition as a National Healthy School Silver Star winner through the Alliance for a Healthier Generation. All classrooms have been equipped with drop-down LCD projectors, class room sets of chrome books, and interactive televisions. Every student has access to his or her own Chromebook, and large touch screen interactive televisions have been added



to each classroom. All students utilize the iReady system and Accelerated Reading programs designed by Renaissance.

Our school wide PBIS program has embraced Pilot PRIDE in all areas. FCES has an active student Council that opens each day with announcements and leads school programs and projects throughout the year. In addition, FCES has added an art club, a cooking club, fitness club, and robotics team to encourage school involvement. A lunch mentoring program, Grub Club, has been added to our social emotional instruction along with a daily Mindful Morning check-in for students to complete. The FCES Robotics team won the trophy for Best Design in regional competition.

FCEC will continue to increase percentage of students scoring proficient in all content areas with the intention of decreasing the number of students scoring in the novice range. We will continue to focus staff professional learning on Clarity for Learning using rigorous, engaging KAS aligned materials and evidence-based practices across all content areas while fostering a safe and secure environment for learning.

#### Additional Information

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

FCES collaborates with parents, families, community, university and grant partners across the region to provide opportunity and access for our students, families and teachers. These partnerships strengthen our program and allow the students of Fulton County to excel in all areas.



# **Attachment Summary**

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