

2019-20 Valley Elementary

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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?

Valley Elementary is the largest school in Pike County serving close to 900 students. Its located 10 miles south of the city of Pikeville on highway 23. For many years the former schools that made up Valley Elementary were Robinson Creek Elementary, George F. Johnson Elementary and Virgie Middle School. All three schools were high performing schools. It is our earnest desire to continue this tradition of success. Valley Elementary has around 70% of the student population that qualifies for free/reduced lunch. Valley is comprised of over 50 certified and 60 or more classified staff members. The core subject areas of reading, writing, math, science, social studies, practical living/ career studies are taught based on the Kentucky standards. Valley Elementary also offers classes in the arts and humanities area. These classes allow students to experience art, music, physical education, technology, library, STEM lab, drama.

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.

Valley Elementary School subscribes to a philosophy that the unique needs of all students in grades K through 8 can best be met in a school setting that provides a student-centered environment. The overall purpose of our school should be to meet the educational, developmental, and social needs that emerge in this transitional period. The school program should provide a supportive and flexible environment so students will have opportunities to develop skills and explore a variety of learning experiences while making the transition from elementary, to middle, to high school. Valley Elementary School believes that these goals will be reached when the student, the parent, and the teacher assume responsibility. The student will attend school regularly, maintain a positive attitude, and make an effort to achieve these goals. Parents will be supportive of the school system and encourage the student in learning. The teacher will strive for an optimal, professional approach to meet the individual needs of each student while providing the love those students need. When these responsibilities are met, maximum learning will be achieved. Our Mission, and Vision are as follows: Vision Statement Valley Elementary School will create an environment that will develop life-long learners enabling them to become productive members of society. Mission Statement Our Mission involves bridging the Gap between teachers and students in hopes of creating an environment of respect and caring on both an Instructional and personal level.

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.

Valley Elementary School having gone through a major transition over last three years has shown notable improvement. Our middle school has gone from a school in need in 2010 to one of the top middle schools in the region. Our elementary ranked 98% and Middle schools ranked in the 75th% and are both considered Distinguished & Proficient Schools. Our Elementary School is currently a School of Distinction. As for the next three years, our goals for continued improvement include the following: *Increase percentage of students scoring proficient/distinguished in all core content

areas*Close achievement gap between all students*work to use the MAP testing to improve overall performance*Improve school culture and climate in the new school setting *School Of Distinction for 4 straight years. This year our middle and elementary school was the only 5 star school in Pike County and it is something that we are very proud of.

Additional Information

CSI/TSI Schools Only: Describe the procedures used to create the school's improvement plan and briefly state the specific efforts to address the causes of low student performance and resource inequities.

N/A

Additional Information

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

We feel that our goal day in and day out is to be not only the best school in Pike County, but the best school in the state of Kentucky.

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