



KENTUCKY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Building a **GROUNDWELL**
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“Hopkins County supports a community that C.A.R.E.S. - Connected, Attentive, Respected, Engaged and Safe”

Hopkins County Schools

Browning springs Middle School Community School Action Plan Snapshot

1. Population, Desired Results, and Indicators

Browning Springs Middle School aims to ensure that all students are healthy in all aspects, prepared for future success, supported by stable environments, and benefit from strong school, family, and community partnerships. Academic success and readiness for kindergarten are key goals. Progress will be monitored through indicators like attendance, behavior, and academic performance.

2. What is the story behind the curve?

Browning Springs Middle School excels in fostering a positive school culture by prioritizing strong relationships, celebrating student achievements, and promoting positive behavior, which has led to a reduction in disciplinary issues. The school is notable for its diverse student body and staff, contributing to an inclusive environment. However, BSMS faces challenges in providing out-of-school opportunities, which are vital for student success. Chronic absenteeism, particularly among economically disadvantaged students, and significant health concerns like mental health, sleep, and nutrition, are also areas of concern.

3. Locally Set Indicators (based on Areas of Concern)

- #/% of students whose GRAD (Grades, Attendance, Behavior and Stability) scores increased as a result of their participation in out-of-school educational opportunities.

Strategies for Active Family and Community Engagement

- Browning Springs Middle School(BSMS) will expand on the existing Family Engagement Nights by offering the events outside of the school building. These monthly events will focus on activities that teach or enhance life skills in a fun, engaging way for families. This strategy is a collaboration between the YSC and Title 1.(Oct-June)
- Working with a variety of community partners, BSMS will begin offering after school monthly workshops to families designed to educate, engage, and increase communication with families while learning a new skill. (Sept-May)
- By the end of fall 2024, BSMS will have established a Family Friendly Schools (FFS) team and completed the self assessment. BSMS will apply for FFS certification by Spring of 2025.

Strategies for Integrated Student Supports

- In collaboration with Madisonville North Hopkins High School, teachers and community members will lead a new After School Arts Program to encourage the arts and support mental health. The program will meet every Tuesday throughout the school year at the Hopkins Co. courthouse. (Oct-June)
- BSMS will offer after school tutoring sessions, hosted offsite at the Larry Carney Center (3X), the Life Christian Center (3X), and the Hopkins Co. YMCA (2X) during the fall and spring. Students will be incentivized with double ESS points for attending, and families will have the opportunity to win gifts for future family opportunities within the community.

Strategies for Expanded and Enriched Learning Time and Opportunities

- BSMS, in collaboration with the First Presbyterian Church, will expand on the existing program, The Amazing Shake. The Amazing Shake, a requirement for all BSMS students, develops social and critical thinking skills needed for the workforce.(October-June)
- In partnership with Madisonville Community College and Murray State-Madisonville, BSMS will provide 2 field trips during the school year and once during the summer of 2025 to better prepare students for college and workforce readiness.

Strategies for Collaborative Leadership and Practices to Support High-Quality Teaching

- BSMS will work with community partners to expand the existing Young Men and Young Women's clubs to promote self confidence, leadership and life skills to targeted students. (Monthly meetings Oct-June)
- BSMS will continue to meet monthly for Local Leadership meetings as well as 4x a school year for community meetings to share data, inform, and ask community leadership and families for input toward the Community Schools initiative.

**Be a part of the change by attending an upcoming Community School Team meeting.
Get connected below.**

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- Full School Action Plan: [Public Facing BSMS 24-25 Action Plan.docx.pdf](#)