



KENTUCKY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Building a **GROUNDWELL**

in partnership with the Prichard Committee

“The Greater Owensboro/Daviess County community will be a place where students want to be in school, families are engaged, and resources are shared by all through collaboration.”

Owensboro Public Schools

Burns Elementary Community School Action Plan Snapshot

1. Population, Desired Results, and Indicators

Burns Elementary strives to ensure that all students are healthy, prepared for their future paths, and supported by stable environments. The school emphasizes strong partnerships between school, family, and community and prioritizes academic success, including readiness for kindergarten. Progress toward these goals will be monitored through indicators such as attendance, behavior, and academic performance.

2. What is the story behind the curve?

According to the FRYSC survey, Burns Elementary has multiple resources to meet students’ mental health needs, including social workers, counselors, and outside resources. Community partnerships result in health services, mental health services, and social services for students and families. GOPEDS (Greater Owensboro Partnership for Early Development) supports staff and families around preschool readiness. Our community is engaged in supporting basic needs for our families and students.

We believe there is a strong need to continue supporting our earliest learners, English Language Learners, and families engaging in their students’ education. We will provide all students with opportunities to build academic and social competencies through in-school and out-of-school opportunities. We also acknowledge the importance of building the capacity of our community schools team to ensure ongoing success for our students, families, and community.

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

- # of families and community members reporting an increase in their skills to support students’ education at home and/or at the school
- # and % of students ready for kindergarten increased as reported on Brigance
- # and % of community school partners who participate in community school technical assistance and professional development
- # of community school professional development opportunities for teachers, leaders, and support staff

Strategies for Active Family and Community Engagement

- We will utilize continued collaboration with GOPEDS to offer Ready for K and Checkmarks for all families at Burns Elementary. (Sept 2024-May 2025)
- Parents and Families will be invited to engage with the school throughout the year, with particular outreach through home-visits for our entering Kindergarten students, summer camps, and family learning sessions. (August 2024 - May 2025)

Strategies for Integrated Student Supports

- Students and families will receive Anger Management courses and family learning opportunities through collaboration with River Valley Behavioral Health. (Aug 2024-May 2025)
- The Bobcat Squad and the “O” club will offer a layered strategy of targeted programs for intervention in attendance, behavior, and academic success. (Sept 2024-May 2025)

Strategies for Expanded and Enriched Learning Time and Opportunities

- A kindergarten interventionist will work directly with students and families to provide individualized support for our English Language Learners and our preschool wraparound students. (Sept 2024-May 2025)
- Preschool wraparound will offer full-day opportunities for students most in need of the extended preschool day. (August 2024 - May 2025)

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

- To increase capacity within the Community Schools Framework, PD and travel opportunities will be offered to all stakeholders, including school staff, community partners, and families. (July 2024 - June 2025)
- The community schools coordinator will work within the community and region to build partnerships and enhance collaboration to increase access and improve outcomes for students and families. (July 2024-June 2025)

Be a part of the change by attending an upcoming Community School Team meeting.

Get connected below.

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