



## FIND YOUR VOICE

October 2024

Dear Rhonda Henry,

It is with deep respect and humility that I congratulate you and the Longacre Elementary community on earning recognition as a 2024 *Leader in Me* Lighthouse Academic Honor Roll school. It is schools like yours that serve as exemplars for *Leader in Me* Schools throughout the world.

We created the Lighthouse Academic Honor Roll to recognize *Leader in Me* Schools that have both met the rigorous requirements necessary to achieve and maintain Lighthouse School Certification and shown exemplary academic growth or proficiency as measured by state accountability standards. While we recognize that *Leader in Me* is only one of many factors that affect academic achievement, we are pleased to acknowledge and celebrate your achievement.

Lighthouse Academic Honor Roll is determined through the data analysis of an independent nonprofit—[SchoolDigger.com](https://www.schools.digger.com)—a website focused on empowering families with reliable data about the performance of their children’s school. The [SchoolDigger.com](https://www.schools.digger.com) algorithm scores on a percentile ranking, comparing like schools across the state. To meet the *academic proficiency* standard, a school must be at or above the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile for the state’s combined proficiency standards. To meet the *academic growth* standard, the school must be at or above the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile and have shown a 5 percent growth from the previous year’s percentile ranking.

The percentile ranking for Longacre Elementary rose in 2024 to 84.1 up from 78.4 in 2023, an improvement of 5.7 percentile points, showing exemplary academic growth. To honor your achievement as a Lighthouse Academic Honor Roll school, we have included a special decal in this mailing that you can affix to your Lighthouse Banner.

Thank you for your continued excellence as a beacon for *Leader in Me* Schools!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sean Covey".

Sean Covey