# Justice Myron Leavitt Middle School

Duane Bickmore, Principal
Reese Bethel, Assistant Principal
Lisa Rizzuto O'Keefe, Assistant Principal
Dr. Hearley Smith, Assistant Principal

October 12, 2022
Dear Parent or Guardian,

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the Nevada Department of Education (NDE) identified your child's school as an Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI/ATSI) school based on data from the 2017-2018 school year. TSI/ATSI schools were intended to remain a part of a cohort for three years beginning the year after their designation. However, because of the unavailability of data during the COVID-19 pandemic, previously designated Nevada Schools were not evaluated for exit and are required to notify their community of their TSI/ATSI designation status.

In December 2015, the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) was signed into law. Highlights of ESSA include holding all students to high academic standards and identifying low performing schools along with appropriate supports for school improvement. Under ESSA, there are two main school designations: Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) and Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI/ATSI). NDE uses results from its school rating system, the Nevada School Performance Framework (NSPF), to designate schools.

The remaining content of this letter provides important information regarding your child's school and why they received this designation.

**TSI/ATSI Schools**
At the time of designation, TSI/ATSI schools were identified annually and were:

- A subset of TSI schools that require additional targeted support because of significant subgroup performance challenges that would, on their own, lead to a CSI designation, and
- Based on the subgroup number of students greater than or equal to 25.

TSI/ATSI schools were those with very low performing subgroups in 2018. TSI/ATSI schools must reduce the number of non-proficient students identified in subgroup performance by at least 10% for two consecutive years or meet the school's measures of interim progress for two consecutive years.

**School Specific Information**
Your child's school will remain a TSI/ATSI school with consideration for exit in Summer of 2024. Your child's school has been identified as a TSI/ATSI school because it met one or more of the condition(s) above.

**School Specific Actions**
To provide support and meet school and district goals, Leavitt Middle School is using allocated Title I funding to lower class sizes.

Specific information regarding the plan for continuous improvement can be located on the school's website in the School Performance Plan: A Roadmap to Success.

Sincerely,
Duane Bickmore

4701 Quadrel Street Las Vegas, NV 89129
(702) 799-4699 Fax (702) 799-4528
www.leavittms.net