



Creekside Elementary School

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

I am writing this letter to inform you that *Creekside Elementary School*, has been designated as a Targeted Support & Improvement Additional Targeted Support (TSI-AT) school by the North Carolina State Board of Education. As stated in ESSA Section 1111(d)(2), North Carolina had to identify schools for targeted support and improvement. TSI-AT schools in North Carolina are those that have a subgroup that is under-performing. The intent of this opportunity is to improve educational outcomes for all students, close achievement gaps and improve the quality of instruction.

As a TSI-AT school, *Creekside Elementary School* is required to develop a comprehensive plan that specifically addresses how the school will improve student achievement. The plan will also include how our district will support us and monitor the progress of our school. The comprehensive plan will address the following areas:

- Classroom Management
- Standards-aligned Instruction
- Professional Learning Teams (PLTs)
- Instructional Leadership
- Recruitment & Retention of Effective Teachers
- Support for Grade-to-Grade Transitions
- Implementation of a Tiered Instructional System
- Data-Driven Decision Making
- Student Support Services
- Family and Community Engagement

We have set the following goals for *Creekside Elementary School* this year:

- Creekside will increase the overall school proficiency rate on state end-of-grade assessments by at least 5 percentage points.
- Creekside will decrease the number of discipline referrals that result in a loss of instructional time (e.g., OSS,ISS , or class removals) by 15 %.
- Creekside will increase students' exposure to college and career pathways by providing meaningful opportunities for all students to engage in at least one AVID-aligned experience per quarter, in order to support the AVID mission of closing the opportunity gap.

Here are some strategies that we will be implementing to improve student outcomes:

- Small group instruction in all K-5 classrooms
- WIN block period for 30 minutes daily for interventions, remediation and enrichment
- iReady differentiated instructional program for K5 students
- Reading Horizons Phonics program
- Support from our EPS District team and the Exceptional Children's Department
- Push in support from Remediation Teachers
- School wide focus on writing, vocabulary development and collaborative pairs

Also, parent engagement is at the heart of our school improvement efforts. Here are some ways we can work together:

- Ensure that both you and your child know the academic expectations set for your child this school year. A list of learning objectives in student-friendly language is available from your student's teacher(s).

- Call ***Yolanda Williams at 252-353-5253*** if you have questions or concerns about your student or to set up an appointment to meet with a school staff member who will be working with your child.
- Make sure that your -child is prepared and attends school each day.
- Monitor your child's homework.
- Monitor the progress your child is making and attend meetings with your child's teacher(s).
- Keep track of our website and social media sites ***Class Dojo, Creekside Facebook Page***
- Volunteer.
- Join the ***Creekside Parent Teacher Association***

Additionally, listed below are a few resources available to help:

- Graduation requirements: www.ncpublicschools.org/gradrequirements/
- K-12 standards in academic subjects: www.ncpublicschools.org/curriculum/
- State student achievement test results: www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/
- N.C. School Report Cards: <https://ncreportcards.ondemand.sas.com/src>

We are committed to improving student performance. It is important to remember that just as no single score or grade tells the whole story of a student, neither does it tell you everything about a school's performance or the opportunities that our school provides. The intent of receiving these designations is to improve educational outcomes for all students, close achievement gaps, increase equity, and improve the quality of instruction. We're excited about this school year and are working to make it a success for your child. Already, we have:

- An established Running Club
- An active SGA
- Orchestra
- Instituted Chirps for Cardinals to recognize students exemplifying the Cardinal Rules
- Math Mania
- Science Olympiad
- Battle of the Books



If you have questions about the content of this letter, please contact **Yolanda Williams** at **williay@pitt.k12.nc.us**.

Sincerely,

Yolanda Williams

