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October 18, 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian:

I hope the school year has started successfully for all of you. As a parent/guardian of a student in Oak Hill Elementary School, I am writing this letter to let you know that Oak Hill 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. comprehensive support and improvement. TSI-AT schools in North Carolina are those that have a subgroup that is underperforming. In addition, Oak Hill is also a Consistently Underperforming (TSI-CU) school. North Carolina has identified schools for targeted support and improvement. TSI-CU schools in North Carolina are those that have sub groups that have consistently under perform an extended time of period. The intent of this opportunity is to improve educational outcomes for all student, close achievement gaps, increase equity, and improve the quality of instruction.

As a TSI-AT school, Oak Hill Elementary 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
- Standard-aligned Instruction
- Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)
- 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 Oak Hill Elementary this year:

- *By June 2022, Oak Hill Elementary will increase the school performance composite from 49.8% to a minimum of 56.8%, while their overall reading performance improves from 40.0% to 45.6% as measured by the NC end of grade assessment.*

Our students need to experience higher achievement levels, but it will require hard work on the part of staff, students and families. Here are some strategies Oak Hill Elementary will be implementing:

- *Professional learning and coaching for all English language Arts teachers*
- *Professional learning and coaching for all Math teachers*
- *Weekly professional learning meetings focused on student data and performance*
- *Extended learning opportunities for students*

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

- Make sure that both you and your student are aware of academic expectations set for your student
- this school year. A list of learning objectives in student-friendly language is available from your student's teacher(s).
- Call Mrs. Morgan-Frencher and Ms. McElrath at 336.819.2925 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 student.
- Make sure that your student is prepared and attends school each day.
- Monitor your student's homework.
- Monitor the progress your student is making and attend meetings with your student's teacher(s).
- Keep track of our website and social media sites *[insert links]*.
- Volunteer.
- Join the PTO by contacting Mrs. Ledbetter or Mrs. Torres; or join the Oak Hill Parent Advisory Committee.

Sounds like a lot but preparing our students so that they can succeed is not easy and is a group effort. Here are some resources available to help:

- *Oak Hill Elementary at 336.819.2925*
- Graduation requirements: [www.ncpublicschools.org/gradrequirements/](http://www.ncpublicschools.org/gradrequirements/)
- K-12 standards in academic subjects: [www.ncpublicschools.org/curriculum/](http://www.ncpublicschools.org/curriculum/)
- State student achievement test results: [www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/](http://www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/)
- N.C. School Report Cards: <https://ncreportcards.ondemand.sas.com/src>

We're excited about this school year and are working to make it a success for your student. Already, we have:

- Scheduled coaching sessions for teachers in core subject areas.
- Connected with most families to begin the 2021-2022 school year.
- *Connected with community partners about virtual reading sessions for students.*

If you have questions about the content of this letter, please contact Ms. Marquez at [marques@gcsnc.com](mailto:marques@gcsnc.com) or 336.819.2925.

Sincerely,



Ms. Sonia A. Marquez