

# REPORT TO THE PARENTS

## Mission:

Wood Elementary is a place where all children are important, learning is engaging, and dreams are encouraged.

## Vision:

Wood Elementary is Leading and Learning

## Members:

Angela Brown, Principal (ex. Officio)

Takeela Bates, Assistant Principal

Nicholas Godfrey, Assistant Principal

Andrew Price, Assistant Principal

Mary Brooks, DEC Liaison

Jason Barrs, Chair

Cathy Zitkovich, Vice Chair

Terrell Gomillion, Secretary

Kailey Zeigler, Wood's 23-24 Teacher of the Year

Lisa Dasher, Teacher Representative

Noel Pound, Community Representative

Steve Putnam, Community Representative

Courtney Wickstrom, Community Representative

Rene Chavis, Parent Representative

Ashley Lowe, Parent Representative

Megan Canestrero, Parent Representative

Wood Elementary is a community-based school that serves approximately 1,000 students each year with 130 faculty and staff members. Wood maintains a 24:1 student-to-teacher ratio in the core subjects.

Additional resources and supports are provided from school counselors, social workers, interventionists, related arts, academic support, speech language pathologists, MLL teachers, and a school resource officer.



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## WHAT IS A SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL?

The School Improvement Council is a vital group of parents and community members who work collaboratively with the school to develop and implement both the school renewal plan and Title 1 plans, assists in writing the Report to the People, as well as the narrative for the school report card. The SIC promotes strong communication amongst all stakeholders.

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## Learning and Student Supports

- Response to Intervention (RTI) small groups pulled to provide additional reading support.
- Multi Language Learner teacher to provide direct instruction to speakers of other languages.
- School counselors, social worker, mental health counselor, and interpreter available to work with students and their families.
- Launch Gifted and Talented program offered in 3rd-5th grades.



### Beliefs:

- Students are our first priority. Every decision and action must be based on the needs of students.
- Engaging, rigorous, innovative, and collaborative learning experiences are essential across all content areas.
- High-performing Professional Learning Communities, anchored in a structured data analysis process, support effective, continuous professional growth and development for educators.
- Technology fluency enables students, teachers, and administrators to communicate, critically process information, and solve problems.
- Acknowledgement of every student's uniqueness and value is essential in developing relationships and fostering each student's full potential.
- Life and career characteristics, such as perseverance, integrity, and work ethic, are critical for students' success.
- Community involvement is imperative for each and every student's success in Lexington Two.

### Afterschool Programs

Run Hard  
District Art Show  
Fine Arts Night  
BETA Club  
Baillie Players Theater Performance  
Future Chefs Competition  
Kid's Heart Challenge  
School Time Bible Study  
Morning News Program  
Camp Leopold Field Study

### Student Support Programs

Lex 2.5 after school tutoring  
Communities in Schools  
Clothing Closet  
Midlands Reading Consortium  
Boys and Girls Club afterschool care

### Positive Student Recognitions

"Hoot" Fest  
Tags of Honor (Every 9-Weeks) Book  
Vending Machine  
Weekly Outstanding OWLS

### Teacher of the Year:

Kailey Zeigler

### Staff Person of the Year:

Margaret Ross

### School Wide Goals

Wood Elementary will keep our office discipline referrals below 425 for the 2023-24 school year.

Wood Elementary will achieve 94% daily student attendance for the 2023-24 school year.

Wood Elementary will plan and implement meaningful activities on district College and Career readiness days with 100% participation.

Wood Elementary will provide targeted instruction to students through the completion of at least 5 Dreambox lessons per week.

### Professional Supports

District provided mentors

WOW Club (Way of Wood) for induction and new-to-Wood teachers

1 STEM and 2 Reading coaches