



*Learning, Leading, and  
Growing Together*

## Townville Elementary School

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### ***SIC Report to the People 2019-2020***

- Townville is a Title I School. Funds from Title I assist in providing additional instructional staff, instructional resources, technology enhancement, and educational opportunities.
- Townville is immersed in technology with support from our district administrative staff. Our students and staff have the use of digital cameras, mobile labs with laptops, smartboards or cleartouch in classrooms, a fixed computer lab, and iPads. Our third graders have all been issued chromebooks in our "1 to World" Initiative to use at school. Our fourth, fifth and sixth grade students have all been issued chromebooks in our "1 to World" Initiative to use at school and at home.
- Enrichment Time - All students receive enrichment during a 50-minute block of time each day. These blocks of time are staggered among grade levels and are designed to enhance academic acceleration, academic intervention, and fine art opportunities.
- Administered MAP testing to 5K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students to better assess current levels and inform their reading, language, and math instruction.
- Students who qualify for additional reading services are served in the LLI program. Primary teachers utilize various Orton-Gillingham strategies.
- SC Therapy Dogs and their trainers work with reluctant readers to allow time to practice reading skills and increase reading fluency and comprehension.
- *Michelin Challenge Education* program continues to partner with Townville Elementary. Through this partnership 30 + employees volunteer time at our school each week. Michelin mentors meet with mentees each week to foster relationships which encourage students to share their goals, plans, and ways to improve achievement and behavior. Tutors work, at the direction of the teacher, to increase specific skills in content areas. Culminating activity is planned for mentors and mentees at year's end.
- The Accelerated Reader Program and Celebrations- Each grade level has a point goal, along with a percentage, to meet by the end of every 9 week period. When they reach their goals, qualifying students participate in an AR celebration.
- Our PTO sponsors motivating nine week celebrations are held for students who meet the achievement and

school work habits eligibility.

- Community groups request use of facilities during the school year including Good News Club, Townville Recreation Department, and Oakdale Baptist.
- During the Christmas season our school partners with local churches and individual donors to provide needed clothing, food items, and donated toys to underserved families. These same churches provide backpacks and school supplies at the beginning of the school year to those in need.
- One church's women's group provides backpacks each Friday to provide food for the weekend to those with need.
- Character Education Program - Each month a different character trait is introduced through classroom guidance and reinforced by all staff. At a ceremony each month, classroom teachers select a student who exhibits that trait in an exemplary manner. The teacher writes a summary of why that student was chosen and it is read in front of student body.
- Along with a character trait recognition programs, TES highlights students each month who exemplify one of the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People which demonstrate leadership.
- Olweus Bully Prevention Program - This is a comprehensive, school-wide approach that addresses bullying and creates a safer, more positive place to learn. Olweus focuses on improving relationships among all of our students. Components include identifying bullying behavior, proper response and reporting of bullying behavior, and class meetings. Anti-bullying rules are posted throughout the school.
- Archery in PE and Afterschool - Students continued to perfect their skills with the bow and arrow and had the opportunity to once again compete with other students across the state.
- Family Nights - Offered by each grade level so that parents can engage in what is happening at school and discover ways to assist their children at home with reading, math, science, and social studies.
- STEM activities - Our teachers are focusing on ways to integrate activities and projects that require cross-curricular knowledge and collaboration.
- Field trips are supported to some degree with Title I funds for transportation and admission costs so that all students have the field experience. We have started participating in on-site "field trips" this year which are based on content standards and focus on hands-on learning.
- In March 2020, during the public health crisis of C-19, SC schools were closed by order of Governor McMaster. Our schools remained closed for the remainder of that school year. Our school team worked together to provide activities and lessons using digital resources through our chromebooks and/or paper packet pick ups. All safety protocols were adhered to in this effort. Teachers contacted students and parents throughout the closure.
- Our school hosts summer library hours for students, families, and communities. During the summer of 2020, we continued to offer students and parents the ability to check out reserved books. All safety protocols were adhered to in this effort. We also distributed

themed literacy packets, along with “free” books for families to keep and interact with the activities and resources provided in the packets.

- If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at 864-403-2600.