



WRIGHT CITY WEST ELEMENTARY

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

The goal of the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) of 2001 is to ensure that all children in this country receive a quality education. Under NCLB, each state is required to assess all schools to determine if each school has made adequate yearly progress (AYP) toward meeting the academic testing standards and additional measures set by the state. AYP decisions are based on the results of state testing in communication arts and math and the school's attendance rate or graduation rate. If the school has not made AYP for two consecutive years, it is considered "in need of improvement."

Based on the results of the 2010-2011 academic testing in communication arts and math and the school's attendance rate or graduation rate, your child's school Wright City West Elementary did not make adequate yearly progress for the following reasons:

1. Wright City West Elementary did not meet the progress marks required in all subgroups. Wright City West Elementary met two out of four subgroups in Communication Arts and four of four subgroups in Mathematics. Subgroups can include Free and Reduced Lunch, Race, and/or Special Education students. In comparison to the State of Missouri, Wright City West Elementary met six of eight subgroups, whereas Missouri met one of twenty subgroups.

Because this is the fourth year of this designation, the school is considered to be in Level 4, Restructuring, Planning of School Improvement. The district/LEA must develop a plan for restructuring the school. One important component of this plan will be parent involvement in both the development and implementation of the plan.

This is the fourth year that Wright City Elementary has been in School Improvement. That means that two things will be offered if possible. The first one is not possible for us...school choice. If we had multiple elementary schools with the same grades, and one met AYP while the other didn't, a parent could choose to send their kid to the one that did meet regardless of boundaries. We do not have this option. Thus, this letter will not include the transfer application.

The second offering will be a possibility. When a school is identified as Level 2 of School Improvement and every subsequent year thereafter it is identified for improvement, Supplemental Educational Services (SES) are available for eligible children. Information about SES and how to obtain services will be coming within the next two weeks to parents of eligible children. All students from low-income families, those that qualify for free or reduced school lunch, who attend a Title I school in its second year or above of school improvement are eligible for SES.

Information about Supplemental Educational Services (SES) will also be available on the district's/LEA's website at www.wrightcity.k12.mo.us. This information will be updated periodically and toward the end of the school year.

We encourage you to become involved with your child's school to support school improvement.

Sincerely,

Shawn Riley
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