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Lincoln Heights Environmental Connections Magnet Elementary School
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Dear Parent/Guardian:

As a parent/guardian of a student in Lincoln Heights Environmental Connections Magnet Elementary, I am writing this letter to let you know that Lincoln Heights Environmental Connections Magnet Elementary, 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.

As a TSI-AT school, Lincoln Heights Environmental Connections Magnet 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
- Standards-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 Lincoln Heights Elementary this year:

- September 2023 - By June 2024, Lincoln Heights Elementary School students will increase 3-5 school composite proficiency as measured by End of Year assessments.

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 Lincoln Heights will be implementing:

- Adjusting core instruction to meet the needs of all learners
- Positively teaching behavior expectations
- Continuing to develop and plan standards-aligned units of instruction.
- Use student learning data to identify students in need of instructional support or enhancement.
- Implementing a tiered instructional system that allows teachers to deliver evidence-based instruction across all tiers.



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- Remain attentive to students' social emotional states and guide them in managing emotions.
- Regularly communicate with parents/guardians about expectations.

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 Scott Gaitan, Principal at 919-557-2587 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).
- Volunteer.
- Join the PTA.

It 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:

- 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>

If you have questions about the content of this letter, please contact Scott Gaitan at sgaitan@wcpss.net or 919-557-2587.

Sincerely,

Scott Gaitan, Principal

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