



My School. My Community. My World. I Can Make a Difference.

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

I hope the school year has started successfully for all of you. As a parent/guardian of a student in Sandy Grove Elementary, I am writing this letter to let you know that Sandy Grove 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. TSI-AT schools in North Carolina are those that have a subgroup that is under-performing. The intent of this opportunity is to improve educational outcomes for all students, close achievement gaps, increase equity, and improve the quality of instruction.

As a TSI-AT school, ***Sandy Grove 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 ***Sandy Grove Elementary*** this year:

- By 2025 all subgroups will increase in the percentage of grade level proficiency at a rate of 3% annually on the North Carolina End of Grade exams.

- By 2025 SGES will raise the level of college and career ready proficiency by 3% annually for reading, math and science as measured by NCEOGs.
- By 2025 Sandy Grove elementary will deliver social emotional lessons and support for all students as measured by our FAM-S increasing from a level 1 to level 3.
- By 2024 all staff members will utilize PBIS to establish learning environments conducive to the needs of all students as measured by our FAM-S increasing from a level 1 to level 3.
- By 2024, 100% of certified staff will receive training that addresses individual and school wide needs as evidenced by the NC Teacher Working Conditions Survey demonstrating a 4% increase in satisfactory rating each year for four years.
- By 2025, 100% of all new teachers will participate in weekly PLCs to support their professional efficacy and build their instructional capacity as evidenced by NC Growth Data with 90% of all teachers meeting growth expectations with 2021-2022 serving as the baseline data year.
- By 2024, 100% of instructional staff will utilize available resources for online learning daily as evidenced by lesson plans and classroom walkthroughs.
- By 2024, 100% of SGES' students will use student learning platforms to access resources to support differentiated lessons as evidenced by support program performance data.
- By 2025, SGES will yield a 7% reduction of referrals to administration yearly as measured by the number of referrals to administration as evidenced in ABE.
- By 2025, SGES personnel will increase communication between school and home by 5% yearly as evidenced by parent contact logs, multiple online platforms and parent surveys with 2021-2022 data serving as baseline.

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 **Sandy Grove Elementary** will be implementing:

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 **Sandy Grove Elementary at 910-875-6008** 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 Sandy Grove Parent Teacher Organization

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:

- **Insert school and/or community resources with contact information**
- 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:

If you have questions about the content of this letter, please contact Dacia Bullard at the school at 910-875-6008

Sincerely,

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Estimados Padres/Tutores:

Espero que el año escolar haya iniciado con éxito. Como padre/tutor de un estudiante en **Insert name of the school**, estoy escribiendo esta carta para informarle que **Insert name of the school** ha sido designada como una escuela Objetivo para Apoyo y Mejoramiento-Apoyo Objetivo Adicional (TSI-AT, por sus siglas en inglés) por la Junta Educativa del Estado de Carolina del Norte. Como se indica en la sección 1111(d)(2) de la ley Cada Estudiante Triunfa (ESSA, por sus siglas en inglés) Carolina del Norte tuvo que identificar a las escuelas para el apoyo objetivo y mejoramiento. Las escuelas de TSI-AT en Carolina del Norte son aquellas escuelas que tienen un subgrupo que no se ha desempeñado acorde a los criterios establecidos. El objetivo de esta oportunidad es mejorar los resultados educativos para todos los estudiantes, cerrar brechas educativas, aumentar la equidad, y mejorar la calidad de instrucción.

Como una escuela de TSI-AT, se requiere que **Insert name of the school** desarrolle un plan extensivo que específicamente describa cómo la escuela mejorará el logro estudiantil. Además, el plan incluirá cómo el distrito nos apoyará y monitoreará el progreso de nuestra escuela. El plan extensivo abordará las siguientes áreas:

- El Manejo del Salón de Clase
- La Instrucción Alineada de acuerdo con los Estándares
- Las Comunidades del Aprendizaje Profesional (PLCs, por las siglas en inglés)
- El Liderazgo Instructivo
- El Reclutamiento y la Retención de Maestros Efectivos
- El Apoyo para las Transiciones de Grado a Grado
- La Implementación de un Sistema de Niveles Instructivos
- La Toma de Decisiones Basada en los Datos
- Los Servicios de Apoyo al Estudiante
- La Participación de la Familia y la Comunidad

Este año hemos establecido las siguientes metas para ***Insert name of the school*** :

- ***[List SMART goals here]***

Nuestros estudiantes necesitan alcanzar niveles altos de logro, pero se requerirá la dedicación de parte del personal, los estudiantes, y las familias. Se implementarán las siguientes estrategias en ***Insert name of the school***:

- ***[List specifics strategies/action steps]***

La participación de los padres es el centro de nuestro esfuerzo para mejorar la calidad educativa.

Podemos trabajar juntos en las siguientes maneras:

- Asegúrese de que usted y su niño/a conozcan las expectativas académicas establecidas para el estudiante este año escolar. Una lista de objetivos de aprendizaje, la cual se escribe de una manera fácil para que los niños la entiendan, está disponible con el (los) maestro(s) de su niño/a.
- Llame al ***Insert school contact person and phone number*** si usted tiene alguna pregunta o algún asunto que le preocupe sobre de su niño/a, o programe una cita para reunirse con maestros que trabajan con su niño/a.
- Asegúrese de que su niño/a esté preparado/a y asista a la escuela todos los días.
- Monitoree la tarea de su niño/a.
- Monitoree el progreso de su niño, y asista a las reuniones con el maestro de su niño/a.
- Manténgase al corriente a través de nuestra página web y las redes sociales escolares ***[insert links]***
- Ofrézcase como voluntario.
- Únase con ***Insert name of Parent Teacher Association or Organization***

Parece que es mucho, pero preparar a nuestros estudiantes para que sean exitosos no es una tarea fácil.

Es un esfuerzo que requiere de todos. Algunos recursos de ayuda disponibles son:

- ***Insert school and/or community resources with contact information***
- Requisitos para la graduación: [www.ncpublicschools.org/gradrequirements/](http://www.ncpublicschools.org/gradrequirements/)
- Los estándares en los temas académicos de K-12: [www.ncpublicschools.org/curriculum/](http://www.ncpublicschools.org/curriculum/)
- Los resultados del examen del logro estudiantil en el estado: [www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/](http://www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/)
- Las Calificaciones de las Escuelas de Carolina del Norte: <https://ncreportcards.ondemand.sas.com/src>

Estamos entusiasmados en este año escolar y estamos trabajando para que su niño/a tenga éxito. Ya tenemos:

Si usted tiene alguna pregunta acerca del contenido de esta carta, por favor contacte al 910-875-6008  
Coordialmente,

Dacia Bullard