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Description of the District

Describe the district's size, community/communities, location, and changes it has experienced in the last three years. Include demographic information about the students, staff, and community at large. What unique features and challenges are associated with the community/communities the district serves?

Boone County Schools is the third largest public school district in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, serving more than 20,000 students from preschool to 12th grade in Northern Kentucky. Each of our 27 schools, including 3 academy programs, provides our students with a world-class education. Three of our public schools are nationally recognized as Blue Ribbon Schools. Our English language learner student population, with over 60 different languages, is steadily increasing. We are focused on the mindset of continuous improvement, trying to develop and improve systems, and focusing on establishing a highly aligned instructional system to support all our learners.

The Boone County School District offers numerous benefits and specialized programs that surpass those outside the public school system. Our public school district is equipped to ensure that every child, regardless of their physical, emotional, or intellectual challenges, receives appropriate educational support. Among our numerous programs are special education services, individualized education plans (IEPs), and access to resources like speech and occupational therapy. We also provide a wider array of extracurricular programs and support services that are crucial for holistic student development, not offered outside the public school system. Our commitment to providing comprehensive support services underscores the importance of public education. Outside the public school system, this level of specialized services is often not available.

Our Portrait of a Graduate is a student empowered and prepared for global citizenship with exceptional competencies of integrity, communication, collaboration, and a learner's mindset. Our success in these areas is supported by parental and community involvement, which ensures that our students reach and achieve their full academic potential.

Boone County Schools offer critical benefits that contribute to a productive society. We serve a broad cross-section of the community reflecting a wide range of backgrounds. We foster an environment of mutual respect and understanding among students, preparing them to thrive in an ever-changing world.

District Stakeholders

Identify and describe the district's stakeholder groups. How does the district ensure stakeholder involvement and engagement in the improvement planning process?

Below is a list of the district stakeholder groups and a description of how each is involved and engaged in the improvement planning process:

- Students are involved through empathy interviews and representation on the Superintendent's Student Advisory Council.

- Parents and guardians are involved through planning feedback surveys and representation on the Council of Councils.

- Teachers and staff are involved through planning feedback surveys, representation on district committees, and representation on the Council of Councils.

- Community members are involved through planning feedback surveys and representation on district committees

District's Purpose

Provide the district's purpose statement and supplementary content such as mission, vision, values, and/or beliefs, including the year in which they were last reviewed or revised. Describe how the district embodies its purpose through its program offerings and expectations for students and how stakeholders are involved in its development.

DISTRICT MISSION: Representing and in partnership with our stakeholders, the Boone County School District recognizes that all children can learn and dedicates itself to providing a challenging educational environment that allows each student to achieve his or her highest potential as a learner and citizen.

DISTRICT VISION: Every graduate is ready for college, career, and life.

DISTRICT THEORY OF ACTION: If Boone County Schools operate as Professional Learning Communities focused on high-quality instruction for the 21st century, then teaching, learning, and student performance will improve for every student in every classroom every day.

DISTRICT CORE VALUES: Academic excellence. Lifelong learning and continuous improvement. Shared responsibility. Respect and equal access for all students. Stakeholder empowerment and engagement. Preparing next-generation learners

Notable Achievements

Describe the district's notable achievements in the last three years.

The Boone County Schools are home to three National Blue Ribbon Schools and one Leader In Me National Lighthouse School. In 2023-24, the district implemented a 5-year Strategic Plan along with a Portrait of a Graduate focused on 5 transferable and employable skills: communication, collaboration, learner's mindset, global citizenship, and integrity. The Boone County Schools is home to the Northern Kentucky regional high school known as the Ignite Institute. This school is the

product of a several-year journey and serves as a pinnacle of the future of education. Boone County Schools strives to be on the cutting edge of innovative practices and a place to create pipelines of highly productive and prepared next-generation leaders. In partnership with KDE, Workforce Development, the Chamber of Commerce, NKCES, Grow NKY, NKY Cooperative, Toyota, St. Elizabeth, and other community and business partnerships, Ignite has been launched as a regional 9-12 grade high school with pathway opportunities in Art and Graphic Design, Biomedical Science, Computer Science, Early Educator, Advanced Manufacturing, Engineering, and Health Services.

Growth areas for the district include the implementation of a Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) for all students in K-12, ensuring that all students are proficient in Reading and Mathematics, and providing mental wellness and behavior supports so that all students come to school ready to learn.

Areas of Improvement

Describe areas for improvement that the district is striving to achieve in the next three years.

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Additional Information

Provide any additional information you would like to share with the public and community that were not prompted in the previous sections.

The Comprehensive District Improvement Plan is implemented in concert with the District Strategic Plan's four goals:

Goal 1: World-Class Education: Boone County Schools will provide a world-class education to develop essential academic and noncognitive skills for every student in order for them to be successful in college, career, and in life, and to achieve their full potential as lifelong learners and empowered citizens.

Goal 2: Empowered Workforce: Boone County Schools will develop strategies to recruit, retain, and develop a diverse workforce that aligns with the dispositional and instructional philosophies of the district, in order to provide every student with a world-class education.

Goal 3: Stakeholder Engagement: Boone County Schools will cultivate trust, transparency, and inclusion as we engage our diverse community of stakeholders.

Goal 4: Operations & Resource Optimization: Boone County Schools will create an effective operational system that supports the optimization of resources and good stewardship to ensure that tools and resources are available for the execution of teaching and learning for every student in all schools.

Attachment Summary

Attachment Name	Description	Associated Item(s)