



Wichita Falls Independent School District

Kate Burgess Elementary School

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Date: January 25, 2016

Dear Parent,

I was recently notified that Burgess Elementary has been included on the 2016-2017 Public Education Grant (PEG) list. The Texas Education Agency (TEA) places a school on this list for the following reasons.

- 1) The passing rate on a subject area test of the state assessment is less than or equal to 50 percent in any two of the preceding three years: 2013, 2014, 2015; or
- 2) The school was rated *Improvement Required* by the state accountability system in 2013, 2014, or 2015.

We are encouraged by the improvement that we have seen in the area of math, but our students continue to struggle with writing and science. Burgess was designated in 2015 as an *Improvement Required* campus by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) because of writing and science scores on the Texas state assessment, STAAR.

This year, Dr. Bob Carpenter, our Professional Service Provider from Region 9 is assisting our campus in all curriculum areas. Working together, Dr. Carpenter and Burgess Administrators, faculty and staff have created a Targeted Improvement Plan to address areas of concern. The plan includes: developing a more viable curriculum and providing teachers with additional training in curriculum strategies and discipline management. Individual student needs are addressed during the day with targeted tutorials and interventions. Curriculum Based (CBA) and Benchmark Assessments provide staff with ongoing data to determine student's areas of improvement and weaknesses.

Under the PEG intradistrict (within the district) transfer provision, parents of a student enrolled in a campus on the PEG list may apply to transfer to another campus, but a transfer from one PEG school to another PEG school is not allowed. Parents may apply for a PEG transfer for 2016-2017 by contacting the WFISD Student Assignment Office by February 26, 2016. Transfer applications are available in the Student Assignment Office at 1104 Broad Street, Suite 300 or may be downloaded from the District website, www.wfisd.net. Applications must be submitted to the Student Assignment Office for approval by the deadline and may be hand delivered, mailed, faxed to (940) 720- 3104, or emailed to lmuehlberger@wfisd.net.

Transfer approvals are contingent on space availability at the receiving campus. Parents of transfer students are responsible for transportation. If you would like further information, please don't hesitate to call or email.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ann Pettit".

Ann Pettit

Principal