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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 at Farmville Central High School, I am writing this letter to let you know that Farmville Central High School, 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, Farmville Central High School 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 Farmville Central High School this year:

- FCHS will implement the PLC process with fidelity and move from pre-initiating to sustaining on the implementation continuum
- FCHS will increase school proficiency by 5 to 8 percentage points by providing differentiation, supplemental and intensive instruction where needed.
- FCHS will reduce suspensions and student time out of class by 20% through utilization of PBIS and district safety procedures.

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 Farmville Central High School will be implementing:

- FLEX Period Targeted Remediation
- After-school Tutoring in Academic Core Subject Areas
- Mastery Lab for Standards Mastery through Retesting
- JAGS Expectations (PBIS)
- Professional Development to help Teachers meet the needs of all learners
- Data Analysis to inform all instructional planning

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 Farmville Central's Student Services Dept. at 753-5138 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
 - o farmvillecentral.com
 - o Farmville Central High School on Facebook
 - @FCHSsportsJags on Twitter
- · Volunteer.

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: <u>www.ncpublicschools.org/gradrequirements/</u>
- 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

We're excited about this school year and are working to make it a success for your student.

If you have questions about the content of this letter, please contact Brad Johnston at johnstb@pitt.k12.nc.us or 252 753-5138.

Sincerely,

Brad Johnston

Principal

Farmville Central High School