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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 **HB Sugg and Sam D Bundy**, I am writing this letter to let you know that HB Sugg/Sam D Bundy, 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, **HB Sugg and Sam D Bundy** are 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 **HB Sugg and Sam D Bundy** this year:

- Sugg Bundy will increase its overall school proficiency by 10%.
- Sugg Bundy will reduce suspensions school wide.
- We will focus on student's social emotional needs and increase opportunities to spread kindness and complete weekly Sanford Harmony Lessons in their classrooms.

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 **HB Sugg and Sam D Bundy** will be implementing:

- Sugg Bundy has a targeted SMART block designed to remediate and accelerate them based on need. We are leading the district in implementing MTSS supports to impact all our students.
- Teachers meet weekly in Professional Learning Communities to look at student data and create instructional strategies.
- Teachers are continually challenged with professional growth opportunities *Ex. Canvas/SeeSaw, Reading Horizons, Iready, Panorama*

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 ***Mrs. Setser 753-2671/753-2013*** 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 Canvas/Seesaw page and work completion.
- 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 [Sugg Bundy Facebook Page](#) or [Sugg Bundy website9-20](#).
- Communicate daily with your child's teacher.
- Join the ***Sugg Bundy PTO- President Monica Moya and Jessica Avery***
- All 3-5 parents may come by the Bundy office to sign up for the Parent Portal that gives you access to Power School and your child's grades

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:

- ***Social Worker- Katherine DiFillipio***
- 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>

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

- **Created small safe classroom environments with social distancing and specialized instruction. We are using strong relationships with parents to collaborate on face to face, and working on meeting the social emotional needs of our students after returning from a lengthy period out due to COVID.**

If you have questions about the content of this letter, please contact **Mrs. Ali Setser at setsera@pitt.k12.nc.us or 753-2671 or 753-2013.**

Sincerely,
Mrs. Allison M. Setser
HB Sugg and Sam D Bundy Principal

