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Description of the School

Describe the school'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 school serves?

Carroll County (pop. 10,953) is located in north central Kentucky, at the confluence of the Ohio and Kentucky Rivers, approximately equidistant between Louisville, KY and Cincinnati, OH. The county covers 130 square miles of ridges and valleys with gently rolling, flood-prone areas along the river bottoms. Carroll County was once the third largest burley tobacco grower in the nation. Today, the county struggles to find a new identity, while 54% of the county's children live below 100% of the Federal Poverty level, and more than 60% of the 1,873 children in the Carroll County School District receive free and reduced priced lunches. Kathryn Winn Primary School, originally named Ninth Street Elementary School, opened its doors in September of 1961. The school was built to serve 1st through 6th grades. There were two classes per grade level; first through third grades were housed in the front wing, and fourth through sixth in the back wing. Some of the first teachers to occupy the new rooms of our school were: Kathryn Winn, Mary Sea, Edith Rodgers, Virginia Bond, Martha Powers, Josephine Kirk, Lynn Shepherd, and Mary Nell Banks. Many other dedicated teachers have taught countless children throughout the years.

Prior to opening, students who lived within the city limits went to school at the old Carroll County High School building (now Carroll County Middle School), housing 1st through 12th grades. Students living outside the city limits attended 42 School (now named Cartmell Elementary) from 1st through 8th grades. Ninth Street Elementary was first lead by Principal Robert Tandy. Other principals to follow Mr. Tandy were: Marvin Stewart, Larry Morgan, Sandra May, Richard Vincent, Sharon Haun, Gerda Wise and now Donna Monroe. Many changes have occurred under the watchful eyes of these educational leaders from curriculum changes to building and name changes.

In 1992 the school's name was changed from Ninth Street Elementary to Kathryn Winn Primary School, after the prominent first grade teacher Miss Kathryn Winn. She taught in the school system, as a first-grade teacher, more than 50 years beginning in 1925 after graduating from Carroll Co. High School. Miss Winn always thought the school should be named something other than Ninth Street, but never imagined it would be named after her. Some of Miss Winn's teaching artifacts are housed in the front hall of the school.

In addition to the name change, the school building has increased in size during four building phases. The first was a four-room addition in the 1980s, including two kindergarten rooms, a library, and an additional classroom. Later, in 1992, there was extensive remodeling resulting in a new gym, cafeteria, office area, library, courtyard, and six more classrooms. A unique feature of the school is the cafeteria as it was designed for students to recycle not only paper products but their food.

The food is then used in the garden out back for composting. The students work throughout the year to plant and garden various fruits and vegetables. Another unique feature is our courtyard provides a wonderful place for outdoor learning and growing, and we are fortunate to have flowers and plants from Miss Kathryn Winn's garden there to enjoy for years to come. There is also a pond with koi fish in it.

The existing classrooms also benefitted as well, being remodeled to be consistent with the newly added rooms. The construction work was in part completed during the school year, requiring cooperation from staff and students, so the project could be completed as soon as possible. The third phase of growth for the building came in 2010 when the Early Childhood Center, serving children birth to age five, was constructed behind our existing building. This was a very important step not only to serve preschool children, but also to provide a seamless transition into our primary school. The fourth phase which will be starting in April 2018 is renovations to improve the quality and efficiency of the building. The school is currently land locked with very little room for expansion. A current existing challenge is the school houses close to 300 students, all rooms are currently being utilized, plus there is a trailer behind our school to house Headstart staff.

A unique challenge that was solved last year was the afternoon pickup, over 100 cars come daily to pick up students. These cars spilled over onto public streets blocking roads, thus not allowing for thru traffic or even emergency vehicles to get around. This issue was solved 2 year by building a new road on school property around homes and the board of education, thus allowing public roads to be freed up.

As stated the enrollment is close to 300 students, our population is not very diverse but over the past 8 years our Hispanic population has grown tremendously. The Hispanic students bring about the normal ESL challenges of communication with parents and academic vocabulary. The students in general have great conversational English abilities, but lack the academic vocabulary, they need to be successful in the formal school setting without intervention early. We also have had an increase in the number of students identified as special education over the past 4 years. The staff totals around 58 employees. Majority of Kathryn

Winn's certified staff have an average of 4-5 years teaching experience. Most of the staff live 30- 45 minutes away from the school. The challenge is hiring highly qualified teachers that want to work in Carroll County as most employees do not live in the district. The county does not appeal for a large majority of its employees to live here. The big businesses in Carroll County like NAS and Dowell Corning, their management employees live in other counties.

The school underwent a renovation starting in 2018 (new roof, heating/air, windows and lighting). Due to construction issues and the preschool expanding our school went from Kindergarten to 2nd grade to now just Kindergarten and 1st grade.

The main challenge that we face based upon our community is the apathy felt toward educational importance. About 25% of our community currently does not hold a high school diploma. While some may strive for their students to do better,

many of them do not. In fact, many of our students come to school far behind their peers in basic skills. This causes great stress on our school to catch them up. Many of our resources are allocated to work on this problem.

School's Purpose

Provide the school's purpose statement and ancillary content such as mission, vision, values, and/or beliefs. Describe how the school embodies its purpose through its program offerings and expectations for students.

Vision- Panther Cubs Lead and Learn with Pride, Passion and Purpose!

Mission- To Ensure High Levels of Learning for ALL Leaders!

Business Motto- Our business is to communicate people's worth and potential so clearly that are inspired to see it in themselves! (-Stephen Covey)

The biggest program offering we have to support the vision, mission and business motto is that we are a Leader in Me Lighthouse school!

Notable Achievements and Areas of Improvement

Describe the school's notable achievements and areas of improvement in the last three years. Additionally, describe areas for improvement that the school is striving to achieve in the next three years.

Notable Achievement- Leader in Me Lighthouse School, we are 1 in 600 in the WORLD that hold this achievement!

Additional Information

CSI/TSI (including ATSI) Schools Only: Describe the procedures used to create the school's improvement plan and briefly state the specific efforts to address the causes of low student performance and resource inequities.

N/A

Additional Information

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

N/A

Attachment Summary

Attachment Name	Description	Associated Item(s)
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