



WEST HARVEY– DIXMOOR SCHOOL DISTRICT 147

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King Elementary School Every Student, Every Day! We are off to a strong start at King Elementary, and our priorities are taking shape! Our Beginning-of-Year STAR assessments are complete, giving teachers valuable information about where students are starting the year and where they need to go next. Teachers are putting that data into action by creating targeted, flexible small groups. These groups allow teachers to focus instruction on specific skills and provide students with the support or enrichment they need. Our year-to-date attendance rate is **95.1%**! We are proud of this progress and will continue reinforcing the message that every day counts. Being present means more opportunities for students to learn, participate, and grow. Our after-school programs are officially up and running! Students have opportunities to extend their learning, explore new interests, and build connections with peers and staff beyond the regular school day. We will continue using data to adjust instruction, monitor student growth, and strengthen Tier 1 instruction throughout the year. At King, we are committed to ensuring that every student is connected, challenged, and supported—Every Day, in every classroom!



Ms. Christina Bradley, *Principal*

Mr. Mario Booker, *Assistant Principal*

Every Day Matters in District 147! At West Harvey-Dixmoor School District 147, we believe that every school day is an opportunity to learn, grow, connect, and succeed! Regular attendance helps students stay on track academically, build strong relationships with teachers and classmates, and develop habits that support lifelong success. Our goal is to partner with families to help every student maintain strong attendance. We understand that challenges may arise that make getting to school difficult. We are here to help connect families with support and resources.

Our goal: 95% attendance or better! Let's work together to make every day count. Be Present. Be Engaged. Be Successful.

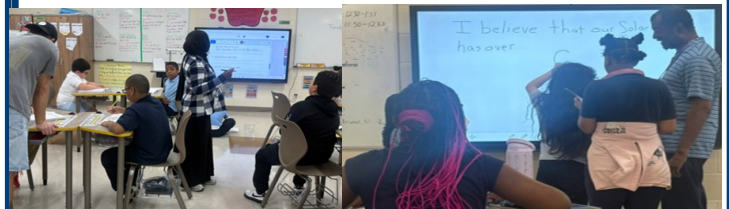
Showing Up Is How Success Starts!



Mr. Walker, *Attendance Advocate*

Specialized Services We are excited to share important updates about the Specialized Services programming available across our schools. This year, our district is expanding high-quality supports that ensure every diverse learner has access to rigorous, grade-level content in environments designed to promote dignity, independence, and meaningful engagement. Our educators and service providers are implementing evidence-based practices that open new doors for student success. Students are experiencing learning that is both challenging and joyful, supported by individualized strategies that honor their strengths and build confidence.

Dr. Smith, *Assistant Superintendent*



The English Language Learners Department is off to a great start this school year! During our Summer Institute, staff participated in a session focused on Multilingual Learner Strategies, providing practical tools to support our multilingual learners across classrooms. Our EL Resource Teachers have been hard at work developing schedules, completing student screenings, and administering beginning-of-year assessments. During our monthly SIP meetings, EL Resource Teachers and EL Paraprofessionals are collaborating to review student needs, share strategies, and strengthen the support we provide to our multilingual learners. Our excitement continues beyond the classroom! Planning is underway for our District Hispanic Heritage Celebration. We are looking forward to bringing our students, families, staff, and community together to celebrate the rich cultures, traditions, music, art, and contributions of the Hispanic community.

Ms. Renko, *EL Director*

Dr. Kenneth Scott, *Superintendent*

Dr. Theresa Smith, *Assistant Superintendent*