



# *Steelton- Highspire School District*

*Mick Iskric, Jr., Superintendent*

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Under the Every Student Succeeds Act, states are required to designate schools for support and improvement based on both schoolwide (Comprehensive Support and Improvement) and student group (Additional Targeted Support and Improvement) performance on a range of academic and student success measures.

Steelton-Highspire Jr/Sr High School is one of roughly 100 schools statewide designated for Comprehensive Support and Improvement. This is not surprising to us; we have been designated and are currently on a Comprehensive School Improvement Plan. This designation is based on data suggesting the need for additional support to improve schoolwide performance in the following areas: academic proficiency on state assessments, academic growth, and graduation cohort rate.

Steelton/Highspire Elementary School will now be designated for Additional Targeted Support and Improvement. This designation is based on data that shows multiple subgroups of students achieving below the state standard. The elementary school will plan with the Jr/Sr High School this year to establish a plan to support the needs of all students in grades K-12.

These designations will mean additional resources for our schools and provide an opportunity for our schools to partner with stakeholders to identify our school community's most pressing needs, select strategies to support those needs, and work together to implement the selected strategies. Knowing what our needs are, we have proactively incorporated many strategies in the Comprehensive Plan that was recently approved by our board and the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

If you would like more information, please feel free to contact Willie Slade, Assistant Superintendent at 717-704-3801.

Sincerely,

Mick Iskric, Jr.

Superintendent

Willie Slade

Assistant Superintendent