



# Ballard County 2020-21 Phase Three: Executive Summary for Districts

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. Describe the district'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 district serves?

The Ballard County School System consist of Ballard Memorial High, Ballard County Middle, and Ballard County Elementary Schools located on a common campus west of La Center, Kentucky highway 60. Total enrollment of the district is approximately 1300 students. Staff members, certified and classified, all work toward sustaining a positive learning environment with high expectations for all students.

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

Ballard County's educational mission is "In partnership with and in service to our community, the mission of Ballard County Schools is to prepare every student to be a successful individual." The Ballard County School district is located in Ballard County between McCracken and Carlisle Counties. Ballard County is located at the confluence of the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers in the Jackson Purchase region. The district serves over 1,300 hundred students in grades K-12. The interconnected preschool and elementary school and interconnected high school and middle school as well as the board office, transportation and maintenance department are located on one campus.

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

The Kentucky Center for Mathematics selected three teachers from the district to serve as statewide Teacher Leaders that will provide math support to teachers helping them grow and increase self-efficacy with delivering math instruction to all students. In the summer of 2020, Ballard County schools worked to develop a virtual learning program to support learners of all ages (Pk-12). Teachers were trained on using a learning management system, delivery of instruction and content development. In August, the district successfully launched the program providing a virtual option to all students delivered by Ballard County classroom teachers. In addition, individual student devices were fielded to all students who also received training on how to work in a virtual environment. BMHS continues to excel in

preparing students transition after graduation ranking 7th in the state for transition readiness. BMHS is in the top 25 percent for ACT composite score in the state and top 15 percent for both reading and math ACT scores.

. **Districts Supporting CSI/TSI (including ATSI) Schools Only:** Describe the procedures for monitoring and providing support for (a) CSI/TSI school(s) so as to ensure the successful implementation of the school improvement plan.

The Ballard County School District will continue to focus on the individual needs of the learner in order to ensure all students graduate and are college and career ready by concentrating on curriculum (what we teach), instruction (how we teach it), and assessment (how we know if the student has learned it).

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

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# Attachment Summary

Attachment Name	Description	Associated Item(s)
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