



UNION LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

H. KIRK GLASGOW, SUPERINTENDENT



August 2, 2011

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are proud to inform you that Union Local Elementary will receive an EFFECTIVE rating from the state of Ohio this year. In spite of this high rating, requirements in federal law (No Child Left Behind-NCLB) require that Union Local Elementary School has been identified as in need of improvement. The school will receive the rating because the Ohio Achievement Test scores of the students in two specific subgroups did not meet the targets in Reading and/or Math for two years in a row.

As a result of this school improvement designation, the district is required to offer Public School Choice. This means your child can attend another elementary out of the district that is NOT in school improvement and the district will provide transportation. In other words, in addition to choosing to keep your child at Union Local Elementary School, you may also choose to move your child to another elementary school that is NOT in school improvement. Currently in our area, surrounding districts are entering into an agreement to deny acceptance of out of district enrollment under the NCLB public school choice option. If you would like more information, please contact Kirk Glasgow at 740-782-1978. If you are interested and believe your child may qualify, please submit the enclosed transfer form by 3:00 PM, Friday, September 3, 2010.

We must receive your transfer by 3:00 PM on Friday, September 2, 2011. If you have any questions or want further information, please contact Kirk Glasgow. We will assume that all students who do not respond will continue to attend Union Local Elementary School this year.

We know that most, if not all of you, recognize the excellent level of achievement of Union Local Elementary School students across all grades and subjects. We will work to keep this level of achievement for all students and will work diligently to improve the achievement for each student who is not currently successful. In order to improve the achievement of students with economic challenges and special needs; additional reading tutor support will be provided, staff will receive training in meeting the needs of these students, the staff will be using targeted assessment information to specifically track the needs of students, use data analysis, professional development for teachers, free reading and math tutoring after school, Title I, and Reading/Math Intervention. The staff will also create a school improvement plan to increase student achievement, which will include these specific strategies to raise the achievement of our economically disadvantaged and special needs students. We welcome your participation in our academic school improvement efforts. If you would like to serve on a committee or provide input on ways to help us improve our school, please contact Mr. Scott Bowling, Union Local Elementary School Principal at 740-782-1384. Our Local Report Card can be accessed at <http://www.ode.state.oh.us/reportcard>.

Sincerely,

H. Kirk Glasgow
Superintendent
Union Local Schools

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UNION LOCAL SCHOOLS SCHOOL CHOICE TRANSFER FORM

Student(s) Full Name(s): _____

Parent(s) Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Grade Level: _____

Home School: _____

I would like my child(ren) to attend:

- Bellaire Elementary School K-4 Building
- Bridgeport Elementary School K-12 Building
- Martins Ferry Elementary School K-8 Building
- St. Clairsville Elementary School K-5 Building
- Shadyside Elementary School K-3 Building
- Shadyside Leona 4-6 Building

My child is eligible to receive or has been receiving the following services:
(Please circle ALL that apply.)

Limited English

Special Education

Other: _____

Please return this form to: Union Local Administrative Offices
Attn: Kirk Glasgow, Superintendent
P.O. Box 300
Morristown, Ohio 43759

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