



"Home of the Warriors"

## Warren County R-III

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Dr. Thomas E. Muzzey, Superintendent

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Dear Parents

The Warren County R-III District is seeking input to determine which restructuring option will be chosen to meet the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) guidelines. The restructuring process is required due to the district's failure to meet the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) student achievement targets.

Warrior Ridge and Daniel Boone Elementary are currently in *school improvement, level 4, restructuring planning*. This means we are forced to develop a plan to address the low achievement of our elementary students. Warren County R-III is in this situation as a result of not meeting adequate yearly progress for the past five years.

A 36 member committee, consisting of parents, patrons, and district staff, is working on a plan to address achievement issues, improve communication, increase parent involvement, and provide high quality instruction. The restructuring committee is currently developing a plan to be submitted to DESE for approval with implementation expected in August of 2012.

The committee has narrowed the viable options down through a series of five open meetings, an open forum, multiple newspaper articles and a three question survey. The committee analyzed several other DESE approved options and through lively discussion decided to change the governance structure of the district. The committee then reviewed all governance structure options and narrowed the choice to expand the grades served.

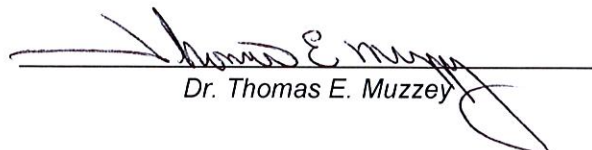
The committee's recommended options for expanding the grades:

- Option one would consist of (3) K-5 elementary schools
- Option two would consist of (1) K-1 primary school and (2) 2-5 elementary schools

The archived files consisting of meeting minutes and open forum video are available on the district's website at [www.warrencor3.org](http://www.warrencor3.org) under the restructuring heading.

The committee is asking for additional parent input through another brief survey. Any parent who currently has an email address on file will be receiving a survey via email. The district will mail a survey to any parent without an email address on file. Please return the completed survey in the postage paid envelope included with the survey.

Parents will receive an automated message as a reminder about the survey. The committee appreciates your input and will incorporate it in the decision making process when developing a final recommendation.

  
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