# Baldwyn School District



**Dropout Prevention-Restructuring Plan**2023-2024

"Preparing Students to Lead the Way!"

Raymond Craven, Superintendent

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#### Baldwyn School District will reduce the retention rates in grades Kindergarten, first and second in the following ways:

- Ensure that early literacy instruction is aligned to Mississippi's academic standards
- > Ensure programs and practices are based on best practices
- > Early interventions for struggling readers
- ➤ 4 year-old Head Start classroom housed at Baldwyn Elementary School
- > Provide resources and training for Head Start and other local childcare learning centers
- > Supplemental resources will be used to create, compare, and analyze test data
- > Remediation provided by retired teachers in subject area content
- > School Status Reports
- > Provide ongoing professional development tied to the needs of the students

## Baldwyn School District will target subgroups that need additional assistance to meet graduation requirements in the following ways:

- > Implement programs and practices that meet the individual education needs of students
- > Compare and analyze test data through online resources
- > In-school Tutorial teacher will monitor attendance, grades, behavior, etc. through School Status and serve as a liaison between home and school
- > Remediation provided by retired teachers in subject area content
- > MAAP data will be used to identify deficit areas

## Baldwyn School District will develop dropout recovery initiatives for students age 17-21 who dropped out of school in the following ways:

- ➤ Reach out and refer students to the Mississippi Works job resources
- ➤ Work with local community college to host a Career & Technical Fair
- > Referrals to Gateway Youth Program at Northeast Mississippi Community College
- Make referrals to different agencies and organizations as needed

## Baldwyn School District will address how students will transition to the home school district from the juvenile detention centers in the following ways:

- Develop school-based programs and initiatives that promote positive behavior and student success
- > In-school tutorial teacher will monitor attendance, grades, behavior, etc. and serve as a liaison between home and school
- > In-school tutoring will be provided by retired teachers
- > School counselors and/or mental health therapists will work with them to develop a plan to promote academic success, decrease inappropriate behavior, set realistic goals, etc.

#### **Dropout Prevention/Restructuring Plan Assurances Page**

On behalf of, Baldwyn School District, I hereby submit the Dropout Prevention/Restructuring Plan to provide goals, activities, and services necessary to meet the overarching goals of the state dropout prevention plan:

- Reducing the retention rates in grades kindergarten, first and second.
- Targeting subgroups that need additional assistance to meet graduation requirements.
- Developing dropout recovery initiatives that focus on students ages seventeen (17) through twenty-one (21), who dropped out of school (i.e., Mississippi Works).
- Addressing how students will transition to the home school district from the juvenile detention centers.

I hereby certify that our school district will evaluate our district dropout prevention plan on an annual basis to determine appropriate changes needed for future school years.

I hereby certify that our District School Board has reviewed and approved this plan for submission to the Mississippi Department of Education.