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. Describe the school'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 school serves?

Cumberland Elementary School is located in Cumberland, KY, the southeastern part of the state; better known as the foothills of the highest point (4,145 feet above sea level) in Kentucky, Black Mountain. We are also known as the Black Bear Capitol of Kentucky. This has attracted some visitors for our mountain scenery and Black Bear viewing at Kingdom Come Park. Over the past few years our enrollment has steadily decreased. Our enrollment over the past ten years has gone from approximately 700 to our current enrollment of just under 500 kindergarten through eighth grade students. We also house 20 Preschool students (subcontracted through Head Start). The majority of our student's families are, resulting in 89% of our kindergarten through 8th grade students qualifying for free/reduced lunch. Coal mining and mine related industries always provided the livelihood for most of our community. Due to the closing of the area mines and layoffs, we have a very high unemployment rate (fluctuating from 13% in 2013 up to 18% and presently at 11.4%). This has also resulted in many of our students and their families moving to other areas/states to seek employment. Currently, our attendance rate is 90.11% as compared to 90.4% in 2013-14. This does show a slight drop but less than the state average of 94.6%. It is very difficult to mandate attendance in our area because when faced with going to court for truancy, many parents choose to home school their child to avoid the legal ramifications. Our school offers a wealth of resources for our students and their families. Our FRYSC provides assistance such as school supplies, clothing, backpack food, motivational programs, practical living and arts and humanities, bus safety, drug awareness, housing/financial assistance, and parenting assistance. The 21st Century After School Program provides academic assistance/enrichment, homework help, parent support, community partners, nutrition/health awareness, and STEM activities with a CCR emphasis. Cumberland Elementary has Number of 10 Students in grades 4-8 formally identified as gifted and talented in one of the five categories and 0 identified in grades K-3 in the Primary Talented Pool. Cumberland Elementary has zero teachers certified in Gifted Education. Cumberland Elementary offers no pull out program for gifted and talented students

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

CES vision: Academic Success Through Responsible Citizenship. Our mission statement: The community of CES is committed to providing all students the ability to be challenged and educated academically and socially by becoming productive citizens in life. Cumberland Elementary School staff is dedicated to providing our kindergarten through 8th grade students with a safe, secure, and stimulating learning environment that will develop a life-long passion for learning. Our faculty strives to guide each child to his or her highest level of achievement in order to be life-long learners and successful citizens. Emphasis is placed on developing basic academic and higher order thinking skills to ensure meaningful application of learning in authentic settings. Through partnerships with our parents and community members, we provide a welcoming environment where our students can grow and develop to their fullest potential. Our students are offered a variety of academic, enrichment, and extra-curricular activities during the school day and after school through the 21st Century. Some examples are Gear Up, Jr Beta Club, STEM, Yearbook/journalism, Unite, band, art, Girl Power, Dance/Zumba/Yoga, and sports (basketball, football, volleyball, baseball, softball, cheer leading).

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

Over the last five years Cumberland Elementary School has strived to ensure a quality education for all students by setting high expectations for learning, responding to cultural differences of students, and by creating an environment which serves our student's diverse learning styles. We provide Special Education classes, reading/math intervention, Family Resource Services, Extended School Services (ESS), 21st Century after-school activities, physical education, arts & humanities, computer lab, band, library media services, and pre-school services. All classrooms are equipped with SMART / Promethean Boards, projectors, document cameras, and access to Smart Responders to be utilized in daily instruction. We have 2 computer labs and a mobile lab (30 student work stations) utilized by all K-8th grade students on a weekly basis. We also have three sets of Chromebooks being utilized with 6th grade classrooms. The middle school math teachers have through GearUp the TI-Nspire Calculators that engage students on a daily basis. Technology is used to enhance instruction utilizing the following programs: Accelerated Reader, Education City, Study Island, Moby Max, ABC Building Blocks, eMath Tools, ICurio, and other related website educational programs. We are very proud of our faculty and students at Cumberland Elementary School. CES was awarded the Read To Achieve Grant, Math Achievement Fund Grant, 21st Century CCLC after school grant, and several Robert E. Frazier Grants, Sandy Cope (3-4th gr. teacher) and Deronda Garland (2nd gr. teacher) received the Campbellsville

University Teacher Excellency Award, three ARI (Appalachian Renaissance Innovation) Grants for FIRST Lego Robotics and Challenger Center "Rendezvous with a Comet" Mission, Academic Team awarded the Robert E. Frazier Grant for a computer and study materials, our kindergarten classrooms were awarded iPads through the Robert E. Frazier Grant, and new computers for the Primary computer lab through the Bob Frazier Grant. CES is committed to educating all students. Harlan County Schools hires a School Level District Gifted and Talented Liaison at each school to serve as a bridge in communication between the school and district GT Coordinator. o The School Level GT Liaison works with regular teachers in the building to help identify, plan the GSSP and monitor the progress of Gifted and Talented students. The School Level GT Liaison regularly attends professional learning related to the needs of gifted and talented students and shares that information with teaching staff. The School Level GT Liaison participates in the district wide Identification and Placement Committee to engage in collegial conversation about gifted education with other GT Liaisons across the district. Cumberland Elementary will utilize appropriate measures to increase the number of students identified in gifted education. Professional Development for regular education teachers relating to the identification and service of Gifted and Talented students will increase

. **CSI/TSI Schools (including ATSI) Only:** Describe the procedures used to create the school's improvement plan and briefly state the specific efforts to address the causes of low student performance and resource inequities.

Our school is dedicated to meet the needs of our students! We currently house four counselors in our school. Three of which are Comprehensive Care Counselors that work with the students, parents and teachers to alleviate any barriers that may exist. These counselors make home visits, do individual counseling and group counseling with the students. We want our students to achieve present and future success!!

. 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

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