

Leslie Public Schools

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MI Kids Back-On-Track Public Act 103 of 2023

Public Act 103 of 2023 provides funding for the MI Kids Back-On-Track program, which supports programs provided before, during, and after school, or during summer school. This funding is designed to address unfinished learning, get students to grade-level academic standards, provide additional academic assistance to students at risk of falling behind their peers, or help high school students prepare for postsecondary education.

Data:

FastBridge / M-STEP (3rd - 7th) / PSAT (8th) / SAT

Activities/Plan To Address Learning Gaps:

Extended School Year

Woodworth Elementary will extend the school year. Students will have the opportunity to attend a summer tutoring program. Students will work one on one with certified teachers using the Orton Gillingham science of reading approach to learning.

Students will receive a total of nine, one hour sessions. Three sessions will be organized in June, July, and August. All sessions will be one on one with a certified teacher who is Orton Gillingham trained.

Teachers will use evidence based teaching strategies and curriculum to provide tier 2 and 3 instruction. Individualized, differentiated lessons will be utilized using a combination of the Core Knowledge Language Arts (CKLA) and the University of Florida Literacy Institute (UFLI) Foundations curriculums.

Leslie Middle School will extend the school year. Students will have the opportunity to engage in small group tier 2 and tier 3 reading and math interventions. Additionally, all students who participate in the extended year learning sessions will utilize IXL, a personalized digital program to differentiate instruction, identify learning gaps, and progress student growth. Students will utilize the IXL program, along with receiving direct instruction from GoMath and Core Knowledge Language Arts (CKLA) curriculum during each learning session.

The middle school summer program will include a minimum of 16 sessions for 2.5 hours each. Additional STEM activities will be utilized to extend learning for students who reach the acquired grade level skills.

Leslie High School will utilize the Early Warning Intervention and Monitoring Systems (EWIMS) to identify students at risk of not graduating. The high school will utilize attendance, behavior, and course failure to predict potential students to provide additional support to. Our student services team will use the seven step, data driven approach to identifying students. Students will be identified, matched with appropriate research based interventions, and continue to be monitored for progress towards getting back on track for graduation.

Students who fail a course throughout the school year will have the opportunity to regain lost credits. Students will be assigned courses through Edgenuity to regain lost knowledge. If they successfully pass the course, they will earn credit towards graduation.

Summer school will be in session for six weeks throughout the summer with sessions four days per week for four hours each. A certified classroom teacher will support the student learning process during each session.

Parents/guardians and/or students may request additional assistance through the MI Kids Back-on-Track program by emailing Mr. Scott Powers, Superintendent, scott.powers@lesliek12.net. All students will be invited to participate in the additional learning opportunities through summer school.

Extending the school year at all buildings will:

- Address unfinished learning
- Bring students to grade-level academic standards
- Provide additional academic assistance to students at-risk of falling behind their peers
- Help high school students prepare for postsecondary education

Funding:

Specific funding allocations will be determined at a later date. All funding allocations will be expensed by September 30, 2025.

- Staffing
- Curriculum Materials
- Training

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