

Farnsworth Elementary
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Dear Parent or Guardian,

We are writing to let you know that Farnsworth School has been designated as a Targeted Support and Improvement school for students with disabilities. This designation means that this student population scores among the lowest-performing five percent in Utah's Title I schools in academic performance and growth.

The program improvement designation provides an opportunity for principals, teachers, and parents to focus on areas of school improvement. The Granite School District and the Utah State Board of Education are working with our school to improve teaching and learning, especially in the areas of reading and mathematics by providing technical assistance and professional development opportunities to the teachers and administrators within our school.

Farnsworth School is working to improve its academic program by undergoing a rigorous school improvement effort led by a school system of support teams. However, parent support is essential to the success of the school improvement efforts.

Parents can effectively assist student achievement improvement in the following ways:

- Communicating frequently with your student's teachers
- Making sure your student attends school regularly
- Helping your student with homework
- Monitoring your student's screen time
- Reading aloud to your student
- Volunteering in the classroom
- Participating in school decision-making

We want to request your help as the school addresses its academic needs and will invite parents to serve on the committee that will develop a school improvement plan.

Sincerely,

Martin W. Bates, J.D., Ph.D., Superintendent

Aaron R. Wilson, Title I Director

Marianne Johansen, Principal