Phase Three: Executive Summary for Schools

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Description of the School

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?

Larry A. Ryle High School is a public, four-year high school located in Union, Kentucky and named after Larry A. Ryle, a beloved teacher, principal, and superintendent. Ryle High School is the largest of four high schools in the Boone County School district, which is the third largest and fastest growing school district in Kentucky. Located in Northern Kentucky, Boone County is one of eight counties that comprise the Greater Cincinnati MSA. Boone County's location in the Cincinnati Metropolitan Area and its system of highways have made Boone County a popular place for commuters to live. The county provides a diverse mix of urbanization surrounding its three cities of Florence, Union, and Walton. Boone County is the fourth largest county in Kentucky in terms of population and is the second fastest growing county in Kentucky.

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School's Purpose

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.

The mission statement of Larry A. Ryle High School states: Ryle High School is dedicated to the development of the entire Ryle community. It is our goal to provide the skills for Ryle students to excel in and contribute to the leadership, technology, citizenship, and character of the whole Ryle community. Ryle is committed to focusing the energy, talent, experience, and knowledge of the entire Ryle school and surrounding community towards its greatest asset, our youth.

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Notable Achievements and Areas of Improvement

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.

Larry A. Ryle High School has many notable achievements. The past five years Ryle has earned the classification of DISTINGUISHED on its school report card, which corresponds to a top 10% ranking in the state's Unbridled Learning assessment and accountability system. Furthermore, in 2015 and 2013, our school was ranked in the top 5% of schools and earned the classification of DISTINGUISHED: A SCHOOL OF DISTINCTION. In 2015-16 and 2012-13, Ryle was also named one of U.S. News' Best High Schools. Our students have consistently scored in the top 10 schools in Kentucky on ACT in the last five years. There have also been 28 students who have been selected to the prestigious Kentucky Governor's Scholars program as well as two students selected to the Kentucky Governor's School for the Arts program. In 2010, an English teacher at Ryle, Durell "Butch" Hamm was named the Kentucky Teacher of the Year. Another English teacher, Cher Caldwell, was named a finalist for the same award in 2010. In 2008, a Ryle
mathematics teacher, Carol Kanabroski, was named one of two Siemens Award Winners in Kentucky for Advanced Placement Teaching. In 2018 Larry A. Ryle High School was named a Project Lead the Way School of DISTINCTION for the Biomedical and Engineering programs.

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**Additional Information**

Provide any additional information you would like to share with the public and community that were not prompted in the previous sections.

Larry A. Ryle High School is most proud of the accomplishments of its students, staff, and faculty that are earned as we strive to provide educational opportunities in academics, leadership, technology, citizenship, and character. Over the past 26 years, Ryle has become a significant part of the community's identity. This school community has become very close-knit as parents, teachers, students, and staff value and take great pride in the accomplishments of everyone associated with the school. We believe that success is truly a joint venture between parents, students, and the school.

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