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**Kern County Innovative & Impactful Schools I²S** is a county wide program implemented by Kern County Superintendent of Schools and the Kern Pledge partners to acknowledge schools who are high-performing and have shown student academic success, by continuing to maintain a three year pattern of top 10% proficiency in math and ELA.

## William A. Kendrick Elementary School

### Designated 2020 Math and ELA

3 Year Avg. Math 19.2 Above Standard

ELA 41.5 Above Standard

Greenfield Union School District

Kern County

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*"Working hard in everyday; achieving more in every way."*

### School Profile

Kendrick Elementary School is a suburban school that houses 777 TK-5<sup>th</sup> grade students. The school is led by Dr. Suleiman who insists on a culture of academic excellence. "The Kendrick Way – we are here to make children successful" is a prominent message throughout the campus. In addition to the grade level teaching staff, the school also touts a music teacher, librarian, social worker, academic coach, 2 learning centers for grade level spans, and an assistant principal.

### School Demographics

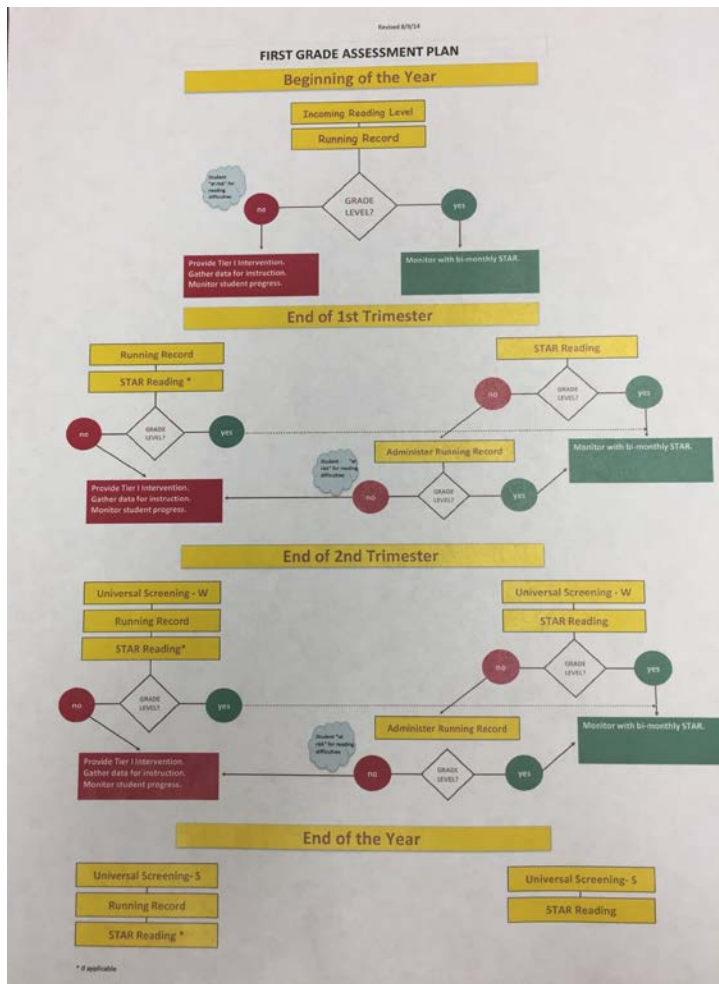
The student population consists of 83.1% Hispanic and Latino, 7.1% African American, and 5.5% white. The subgroups within this population are as follows: 93% Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, 15.6% English Learners, 6% Students with Disabilities, and 4% Migrant Education.

## Contributing/ Replicable Factors

- Google Presentations required from each student. To improve speaking, listening, and vocabulary, Kendrick Elementary implemented presentations at every grade level.
- Strong expectation in writing every day and integrated in all subjects- including math
- Challenges for classes with friendly competitions. Focus for challenges rotate each month between Reading, Attendance, and Behavior.
- Performance tasks – created by teachers and leadership team. One performance task per trimester in ELA and math, K-5<sup>th</sup> grades.
- Guided Reading
- [Rubrics](#) created and followed by every teacher in every grade level K-5
  - Reading Level Rubric created according to STAR scaled scores and adopted by all teachers
  - Presentation rubric
  - Writing rubrics:
    - Narrative
    - Opinion
    - Informative
    - Student Collaboration

### On-going assessments

- [Running Record assessment](#) – Took Lexile levels of common core/SBAC. Shared results with teachers and parent. Not a Universal Screener, but for diagnostic purposes.
- STAR is used for all students to maximize learning time and minimize testing time.



### Social Emotional Learning

- Full time psychologist provides Professional Development to help demystify behaviors and teaching teachers how to look for and manage behaviors especially in younger grades.
- PBIS – Tier 2 and 3 use check in check out with behavior intervention assistant
- Part time School Social Worker
- Student Leadership team –
  - Student valet during congested drop off to help students out of the car
  - Principal’s Challenge – each month challenges for classes with friendly competitions in Reading, Attendance, and Behavior goals.