

Homedale Elementary School Memo



To: Homedale Board of Trustees, Superintendent Rob Sauer
From: Dr. Tate B. Castleton, Principal
Date: September 10, 2026
Re: Report to Board of Trustees

STUDENT ENROLLMENT UPDATE AT HES: Here are the latest numbers from Homedale Elementary School as of 9/10:

K: 77
1: 79
2: 83
3: 78
4: 86

Total: 404

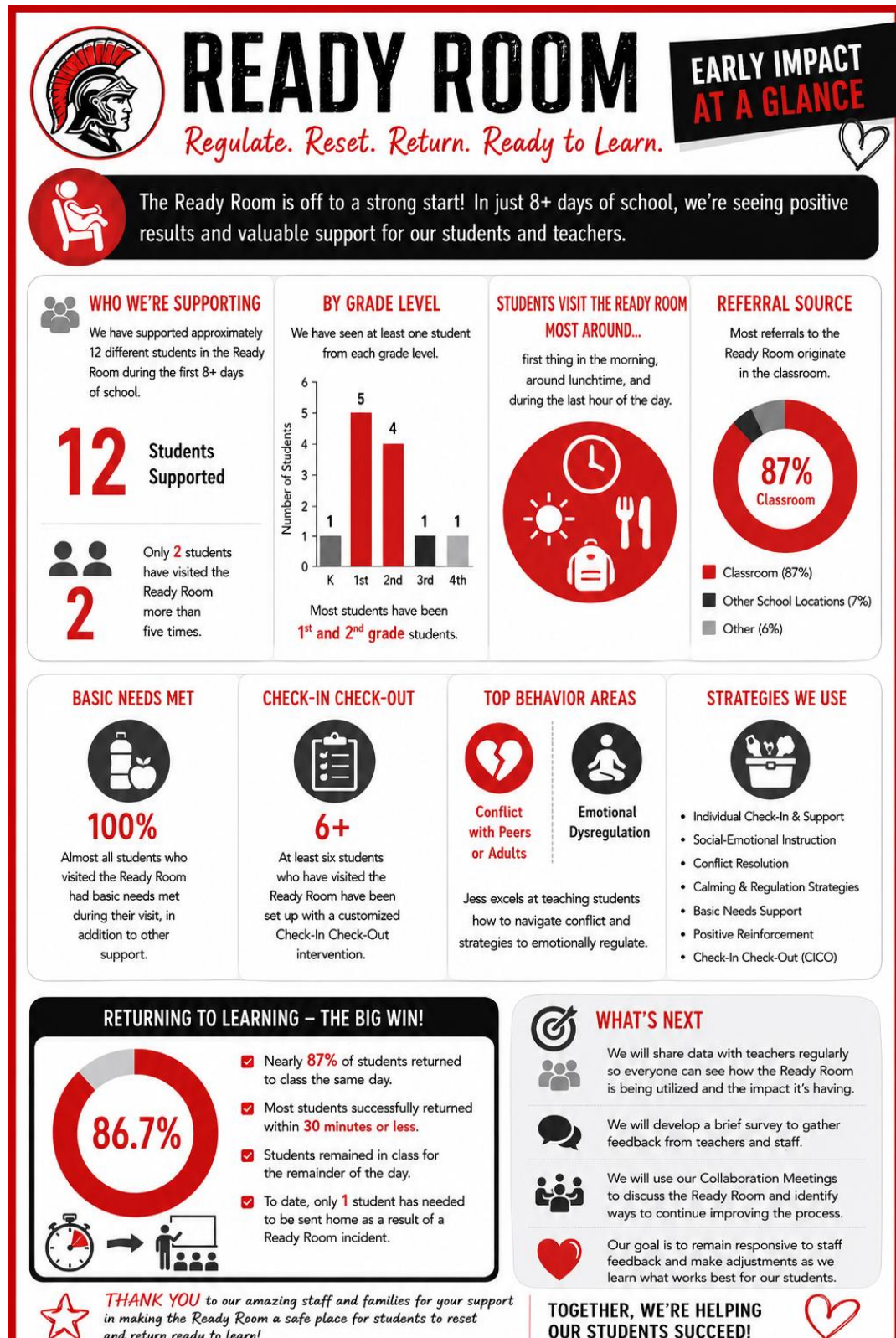
Female: 171 (42.3%)
Male: 223 (57.7%)

Attendance as of 9/10/26: 95.17%

YOU MATTER AT HES: On the first day of school, Matt Emerzian kicked off our year with an inspiring assembly for our 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade students centered around his powerful **“You Matter”** message. Our students absolutely loved the assembly, and Matt helped us start the school year on a positive and meaningful note! So far this school year, we have continued to embrace his message in many different ways, reminding our students that **they matter, their choices matter, their voices matter, and the way they treat others matters.** His message has been a wonderful addition to our focus on The Homedale Way and building relationships, creating a positive school culture, and helping every student know that they are an important part of our HES family.



NEW READY ROOM AT HES ALREADY HAVING A POSITIVE IMPACT: The Ready Room is a dedicated student support initiative engineered around the core mission to "Regulate. Reset. Return. Ready to Learn." Designed to help students handle behavioral difficulties like conflict and emotional dysregulation, the program provides individual check-ins, calming strategies, and social-emotional instruction to help children return to their classrooms focused and ready. In its **first 8+ days of school**, the program has achieved significant early milestones: it met **100% of the basic needs** for visiting students and successfully transitioned **86.7% of students back to class on the very same day**, with the vast majority returning within 30 minutes or less.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

October 9th	Student Support Day/Teacher In-Service
October 15 th	End of 1 st Quarter
October 21-22	Parent-Teacher Conferences
November 6 th	Staff In-Service
November 23-27	NO SCHOOL – THANKSGIVING BREAK
December 4 th	Student Support Day/Teacher In-Service
December 17 th	End of 2 nd Quarter
December 21-Jan 3	NO SCHOOL – WINTER BREAK
January 4 th	School Resumes
January 18 th	NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 22 nd	Teacher In-Service Day