

Welcome to the McKenzie Special School District website—we're glad you've chosen to visit today.

We are proud of our McKenzie SSD schools and the work that takes place daily to positively impact students' lives. It's my pleasure to serve the community as Director of Schools and I'm excited for the work being done by our teachers, assistants, office staff, café staff, SROs, district staff, and other stakeholders. We have A Tradition of Excellence in McKenzie and it is our consistent goal to see our students make great strides and improve themselves daily.

As the proud parent of a MHS alumna (Baylee, c/o 2025) and three current MSSD students, I know firsthand the great education that our students receive when they put forth their best efforts. As a parent or member of the McKenzie community, I ask you to join us in our efforts to emphasize the importance of education and the lifelong impact that a solid educational foundation can have.

I appreciate the trust that our school board, our staff, and our community has placed in me to serve our community system. If our district office can ever be of assistance to you, please feel free to reach out.

Blessings,

Justin Barden, Ed.D.

Philippians 4:13