

District Annual Education Report (AER) Cover Letter

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Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2014-2015 educational progress for the Lansing School District and our schools. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by Federal and some requirements of State laws. Our staff is available to help you understand this information. Please contact the Department of Accountability and School Improvement for help if you need assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site https://goo.gl/7ABbDh or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

The report contains the following information:

Student Assessment Data – Elementary or middle school assessment results on the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP), high school assessment results on Michigan Merit Exam (MME), and assessment results for students with disabilities on Michigan's Alternative Assessment Program (MI-Access or MEAP-Access)

- Presents achievement data for all five tested subjects (mathematics, reading, science, social studies and writing) compared to targets for all students as well as subgroups of students.
- Helps parents understand achievement progress within schools and compare these to district and State achievement.

Accountability Scorecard – Detail Data and Status

Due to the transition from MEAP tests to the M-STEP test, the accountability portion of the AER is limited to assessment participation and graduation/attendance rates. Full accountability reporting will resume with the 2015-16 AER.

Teacher Qualification Data

- Identifies teacher qualifications at district and school levels
- Reports percentage of core academic classes taught by teachers not considered highly qualified to teach such classes

NAEP Data (National Assessment of Educational Progress)

 Provides State results of the national assessment in mathematics and reading every other year in grades 4 and 8

All of the schools in the Lansing School District continue to work towards increasing student achievement. We are especially proud of the students and staff that have reached academic goals successfully. In all of our schools we have implemented research-based or research-informed initiatives that aim to improve instruction and school climate. In partnership with our teachers, support staff, administrators, and school community the Lansing School District is committed to Caring, Collaboration, and Excellence.

Sincerely,

Yvonne Caamal Canul Superintendent