

2016-17 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 2015-16 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 DISTRICT AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site https://goo.gl/csNt6Q, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school. Each school will also be communicating their own AER to parents directly.

These reports contain the following information:

Student Assessment Data – Includes the following three assessments: M-STEP (Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress), MI-Access (Alternate Assessment), and College Board SAT. Presents assessment information for English language arts and mathematics for grades 3 to 8 and 11, and science for grades 4, 7, and 11, compared to state averages for all students as well as subgroups of students. The report helps users to understand achievement performance within grades and schools, and to make comparisons to district, state, and national achievement benchmarks.

Accountability Scorecard – Detail Data and Status

The accountability portion of the AER includes assessment proficiency and participation rates, graduation or attendance rates, as well as accountability scorecard status.

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

Review the table below listing our schools. For the 2016-17 year, no new Priority or Focus schools were named; some Priority or Focus schools did exit their status because they met the exit criteria. New Reward schools were identified using school rankings and Beating the Odds information. A Focus school is one that has a large achievement gap between the highest and lowest achieving 30% of schools. A Priority school is one whose achievement and growth is in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state. A Reward school is one that has achieved one or more of the following distinctions: top 5% of schools on the Top-to-Bottom School Rankings, top 5% of schools making the greatest gains in achievement (improvement metric), or "Beating the Odds" by outperforming the school's predicted ranking and/or similar schools. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases no status label is given.

School Name	Status Label	Key Initiative to Accelerate Achievement
Eastern High School		
Everett High School		
Sexton High School	Priority	Implementing Transformation Plan
Averill School (PreK-3)		
Reo School (PreK-3)		
Riddle School (PreK-3)		
Cavanaugh (PreK-3)	Priority	Implementing Transformation Plan
Cumberland (PreK-3)		
Fairview (PreK-3)		
Forest View (PreK-3)		
Gier Park (PreK-3)		
Kendon (PreK-3)		
Lyons (PreK-3)		
Post Oak (PreK-3)		
Willow (PreK-3)	Priority	Implementing Transformation Plan
Beekman Center		
Attwood (4-6)	Priority	Implementing Transformation Plan
Lewton (4-6)		
Mt. Hope (4-6)		
North (4-6)	Priority	Implementing Transformation Plan
Pattengill (4-6)		
Sheridan Road (4-6)		

School Name	Status Label	Key Initiative to Accelerate Achievement
Gardner (4-8)	Priority	Implementing Transformation Plan
Pleasant View (K-8)		
Lansing STEM (K-8)		
Wexford (K-8)		
Woodcreek	Priority	Implementing Transformation Plan

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